

**WAIVER AND INFORMED CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN LAKE METROPARKS
FARMPARK EQUESTRIAN ACTIVITIES**

State of Ohio Equine Liability Form

NOTICE: Please read this document before signing. Signing this document affirms that you have read it and understand it in its entirety.

The Equine Activity Liability laws of the State of Ohio, 2305.321, state among its statutory provisions that “An equine activity sponsor, equine activity participant, equine professional, veterinarian, farrier, or other person is not liable in damages in a tort or other civil action for harm that an equine activity participant allegedly sustains during an equine activity and that results from an inherent risk of an equine activity.” **NOTICE OF INHERENT RISKS:** Equines have (a) The propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to persons on or around the equine; (b) The unpredictability of an equine’s reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (c) subject to hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions; (d) A collision with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object; (e) The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, death, or loss to the person of the participant or to other persons, including, but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine or failing to act within the ability of the participant.

Lake Metroparks Farmpark

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I, the undersigned, having read and understood the content of the document, agree and consent to the provisions contained herein. It is my intention and desire to participate in Lake Metroparks Farmpark equestrian related activities including but not limited to riding or authorization to check rides, horse-handling, ground crew, mounted games, or being present at equestrian activities as an observer or other activity related, however slight, to equestrian activities at events held by Lake Metroparks Farmpark. I acknowledge that these activities are potentially dangerous and that I voluntarily accept any of the inherent risks involved as set forth above. In consideration for my being permitted to take part in these activities, I agree to be bound by the rules of Lake Metroparks and to obey the directions of the supervisors and other governing officials of activities. In the event of any disagreements or disputes arising from my taking part in these activities, I agree to submit such disagreements or disputes to Administrators of Lake Metroparks Farmpark for arbitration and abide by any decisions reached by such Administrators. I agree to release, hold harmless, and keep indemnified Lake Metroparks, Lake Metroparks Board of Park Commissioners, organizers and agents, officials, servants, and representatives from and against all claims, actions, costs, expenses and demands in respect to death, injury, loss or damage to my person or property, howsoever caused, arising out of or in connection with my taking part in these events even if the same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of the said body or any of its agents, servants, or representatives. It is understood and agreed that this agreement is to be binding upon myself, my heirs, executors and assigns under the laws of the State of Ohio related to Equine Activity Liability. This agreement shall remain valid until it is revoked in writing.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS RELEASE AND I UNDERSTAND ALL ITS TERMS. I EXECUTE IT VOLUNTARILY AND WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF ITS MEANING AND SIGNIFICANCE. I HEREBY ASSUME ALL OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EQUINE RELATED ACTIVITIES.

Legal Name (Please Print)

Legal Signature

Date

Camper’s name