

## Waiver and Release of Liability

Please read the following statements carefully and indicate your understanding and agreement by signing below.

**Warning: Under Ohio Law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risk of equine activities. (Ohio Equine Activity Statute 1997)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name) understand and believe that the use, handling, and riding of an equine, or presence in or around a facility where equine are present, involves a risk of physical injury to an individual involved in such activities. I also understand that any equine, regardless of past behavior or training, can act unpredictably at any time. With full awareness of the above, I accept the possibility of injury to myself as an inherent risk of working on and around equine. These risks may include but are not limited to the following:

1. The propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to person on or around the equine;
2. The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals;
3. Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions;
4. A collision with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object;
5. 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 the other persons, including, but not limited to, failing to maintain control over and equine or falling to act within the ability of the participant.

I expressly and voluntarily assume all risks attendant to horseback riding and related activities. I do hereby fully and forever release, discharge, and hold harmless Ohio Morgan Horse Association, \_\_\_\_\_ (OMHA) their assistants and coworkers, as well as other participants in the activities and assigns of same, from any and all claims which I, or my assigns, may assert as a result of physical injury, or loss or damage to property, incurred while a participant using, handling or riding a horse at Blue Lakes Farm.

My signature on this form constitutes my understanding and agreement to all of the statements above, and gives OMHA and their, coworkers, and their assigns, my total and unconditional release from any and all claims of liability or damage.

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Signature (Guardian for riders under 18yrs old)      age      date