

SAGEHILL STABLES BARN RULES

All clients will be expected to sign a written copy of these rules, and refusal to follow any of them could result in eviction without notice.

1. RESPECT ALL CLIENTS, STAFF, PARENTS (including your own) and GUESTS. Disrespect will not be tolerated. All clients are expected to be aware of our vision and goals and work together with us and other clients towards those goals. If you don't have the same vision and goals as us, we may request that you find another facility that better suits your goals and horse's needs/requirements.
2. PLEASE LET STAFF AND/OR MANAGEMENT KNOW OF ANY PROBLEMS OR CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE. Sagehill Stables will do its best to resolve any issues that may arise. **Gossiping and speaking to other clients or friends in the horse community about your concerns or about other clients and their horses will not be tolerated and is considered a disrespectful act to the stable, a form of bullying and can result in immediate termination of a boarding contract or lessons. Please contact the stable directly with your comments and concerns, either via email, phone or text. If you have a complaint or concern about another client or guest, please contact the barn and let us know about the concern.**
3. Please **pick any manure from barn, Wash rack, any riding areas and tack and tie area Before and after** you ride. remove ANY EXTRA TACK YOU MAY HAVE ON THE WALL (Lead ROPE, HALTER, grooming kits, ect.) **BEFORE YOU RIDE AND PUT ON SHELVES OR PUT IN YOUR LOCKER (NO SAVING SPOTS ON THE TACK UP WALL. Please put fresh dry sand on-top of any pee spots in the tack-up arena.** Use bedding or bedding pellets on pee in barn, and clean pee spots on barn floor immediately. **A clean-up fee of \$25/incident will be applied to clients who do not clean up after themselves**
4. **PLEASE REMOVE ANY TRAINING EQUIPMENT AND JUMPS FROM ARENA AFTER YOU ARE DONE YOUR RIDE** and **store in designated area**. Another business is leasing the facility and it's important we maintain our equipment and riding area. **A clean-up fee of \$25/incident will be applied to clients who do not clean up after themselves**
5. **Put your trash in the garbage. A clean-up fee of \$25/incident will be applied to clients who do not clean up after themselves**
6. HORSES ARE TO BE HANDLED SAFELY AT ALL TIMES. **Only one horse per handler or rider at any time**. No ground tying or loose horses permitted in an indoor arena unless no other riders are present. **No loose horses** allowed in any of the **outdoor rings** at any time, **no tying to fence posts** at any time. **Do not let horses loose together in the indoor arenas unless you are the owner** or you have the owner's permission or a coach's permission.
7. **Riding in designated areas only (i.e. no riding in the corrals or riding your horse in from the pasture)**. Please see additional rules for outdoor sand ring and trails below.
8. **All students and boarders practice riding outside of a lesson must have a current Manitoba Horse Council (MHC) Membership for third party liability insurance. Send a copy to lessons@sagehillstables.com**

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9. **Trail Riding:** Boarders must have permission from their coach to trail ride outside of a lesson on their own (must be able to handle their horse confidently at a canter and through spooks). **Students riding a Sagehill lesson horse on the trails outside of a lesson:** must have taken the trail safety course and have permission from their coach. Minors riding on the trail must be supervised by an approved adult with adequate horse experience that has completed the trail safety course. Lesson horses are not permitted to be off property and must stay on designated trails and all student trail rides must be booked on the calendar so others can see who is out there. **Outdoor-ring:** no riding when soft or slippery. No loose horses at any time in the outdoor arenas unsupervised and without a coach present. Only tie horses to designated tie up spots.
10. No lunging is permitted while others are riding, unless given permission by coach and/or rider in the arena.
11. No jumping is permitted when sharing the arena with a semi-private or group lesson. When riding or sharing with another lesson please proceed at the speed of the less skilled lesson, unless you have asked permission from that lesson's coach.
12. Safety Equipment: All riding must be done with proper, safe riding **equipment including bridle or Bit-Less Bridle/Bosal, riding helmet and boots with 1/2" heel.** School horses using non Sagehill tack require the tack to be fitted by a reputable saddle fitter. Please contact Sagehill if exceptions are required for showing or special training purposes. **SAGEHILL STABLES REQUESTS THAT ALL PERSONS RIDE WITH AN EQUESTRIAN RIDING HELMET, and it is mandatory if riding a Sagehill owned/leased horse at anytime.** No persons under the age of 18 will ride on the property without a riding helmet (even on their own horse), and helmets are mandatory when jumping for all ages. No persons under the age of 18 shall jump without a coach's supervision. Boarders over the age of 18 must have a grounds person present over the age of 18 years when jumping. No chewing gum while riding. **Flats, sandals, crocs and slippers are not permitted in the barn at any time.**
13. STUDENTS under the age of 12 must have parental supervision at all time.
14. When lessons are in progress please remember that **coaches are in charge of safety.** Boarders and clients are expected to set a good example and practice safe handling and riding practices. Coaches have the right to ask boarders to stop a handling procedure or practice ride if they feel that the rider is being unsafe or setting a bad example for students. Please do not question any authoritative request in a negative manner especially in front of other clients. Boarders and clients can request a full explanation of the situation via email, phone or text to Sagehill and Sagehill will work with coaches and clients to ensure that all issues are explained and resolved in a respectful manner.
15. STUDENTS need permission from coaches before making decisions for school horses. (i.e., letting horses in arena with other horses, baths, different tack, feeding treats, ect.). Absolutely no cutting horse's hair/mane/tail unless it is for show team prep and with permission from the owner.
16. PLEASE DO NOT STORE FOOD, GRAIN OR TREATS IN YOUR LOCKER unless they are in mouse-proof containers (i.e. tin or metal containers). Unkempt lockers or food storage (as well as paper and plastic bags) that encourages mice infestation will result in a \$25/day fee to boarders until the situation is resolved. Do not hang items on locker doors or overfill lockers. Property left in the barn is at the risk of the owner and clients are advised to have their own insurance coverage on any items left at the barn. Max of two blankets to be hung on outside of stalls with chain (no twine permitted). Max of one bag is

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permitted containing only items that STAFF is currently using on horse. All other items to be stored in lockers or at home.

17. Clients are not permitted to handle hay, bedding, supplemental feed or other stable supplies unless otherwise approved to do so. Please do not handle or feed any horse other than your own without written approval approved by Sagehill. If you see a horse in difficulty, out of food or water please inform Sagehill and we will attend to the matter.

18. Do not tie horses to stall fronts or doors (tie only inside stall, use tie ring and twine clip in stall only). Only tie horses to designated tie areas in outdoor arena. Do not tie to any other fencing. No tacking up in the walkways, hallways, alleyways. No sitting on the floor anywhere in the barn.

19. GUESTS. Your guests are always welcome. All young children must be kept in hand at all times. **Youth under 12 years of age are required to have a parent or guardian on the property at all times, even during lessons. Youth 12 to 17 years of age must have adult supervision while on the property, either via a coach, staff or parent or guardian.** Students are permitted to have ONE parent or guardian at a time over 18 assist them with tack-up and catching their horse. This parent or guardian needs to have a signed release of liability waiver. Student's guests are not permitted to view the tack-up in the barn and must watch lessons from designated viewing areas. **GUESTS are NOT permitted in the corrals, pens, pastures or in the arenas when people are riding.** Guests may view your riding from viewing areas only (no standing in the arena or sitting on the mounting block). Ensure that guests are not disturbing or discourteous to other riders or boarders and their guests. Boarders require approval for guests to attend to their horse without them present. **All guests are required to sign a waiver form and wear riding helmets and boots with a heel if riding on the property.**

20. Outside trainers and coaches are welcome to work with boarder's horses. All outside coaches and trainers must have "Sagehill Stables and Gwen Donohoe" added as an additional insured to their liability insurance and provide proof of the insurance before working on the property, emailed to lessons@sagehillstables.com. Arena fees apply to both outside coach's and trainers.

21. Please park in designated areas only. Only staff is permitted to drive vehicles outside of the parking area. Do not block doors and/or exits with vehicles in case of emergencies.

22. Please turn all lights off and close all doors immediately when you are finished using the arena and Barn areas to help us save costs. Please do not turn lights on in an area until you need them and turn off immediately after use. Please keep barn doors closed during cold times to prevent cold air from entering the barn and arenas.

23. Say DOOR loudly before entering doorways connected to barns and arenas. When entering the pasture, please use the smaller side gates at the pasture entrances. If you have questions about how to get in or out of a pen or what gates to use, ask someone, or send us a text or phone call at 204-803-5940.

24. Riding alone policy. For your safety, if you are riding alone, Sagehill Stables requests that you inform staff when you arrive and your intended riding time, and again when you leave. This information can be communicated via phone call, text message, or email. No one under the age of 18 can ride or handle horses on Sagehill property without a parent or guardian over the age of 18 present who is responsible for their actions and safety. Parents and guardians supervising students for practice rides should have

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completed our barn etiquette and safety course or similar training. **Student practice rides using the outdoor-ring and trail rides must be booked on the calendar so others know where you are.**

25. Client's dogs are not welcome at Sagehill. Even when on leash there is always a risk that a dog will get loose and cause an accident.

26. **IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF ANYTHING** please don't hesitate to ask staff! We are here to help; we'd rather you ask questions than accidentally do the wrong thing!

27. **Sagehill Stables hours of operation are 8 A.M. to 10 P.M.DAILY.**

Winter Indoor ARENA HOURS (Nov 1 to March 31): 12P.M.-10P.M. SUNDAY-FRIDAY and 8A.M.-10P.M. ON SATURDAYS

Spring/Summer/Fall Indoor Arena Hours (April 1 to Oct 31): 8am to 10pm

28. **No entry to the A2 barn, expect if following the washrack rules below. For biosecurity reasons, no clients are to touch any horses owned by A2 thoroughbreds and no walking through their barn at any time. Do not use any daytime pens while A2 thoroughbreds are turned out during the Winter Hours**

29. **Students are to put their lesson horse outside (or in their stall if on indoor board and its after 2:30pm) after their lesson, and the expected time frame for cool down and un-tacking is 30 minutes maximum.** The horses need a break before possibly doing another lesson. Exceptions for injuries, emergencies or ask a coach to leave them in if you are unable to get them cool or dry in time.

30. **NO SMOKING ON THE PROPERTY.** Please smoke **in your vehicles** and ensure all cigarette butts are contained in vehicles, **no throwing cigarette butts on the ground.** No alcohol or other illegal substances are permitted on the property. Clients that show up and are suspected to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave and this may result in cancellation of a lesson without a refund.

31. No stall fans or extension cords running through the barn are permitted due to fire safety and tripping hazards.

32. Clients are not permitted in the storage rooms, pump rooms or garage areas without permission. Please do not take extra bedding, grain, medicines, hay nets from other stalls or pens outside, or items from the pumprooms, garage, ect without permission

33. Detailed lesson cancellation policies can be found in the student lesson contracts. 24 hrs notice required regardless of the reason of missing a lesson (injury to human or horse, sickness, ect.). It is the coach's call if a lesson needs to be cancelled due to lameness or other horse welfare issue. The 24-hr lesson cancellation policy will apply if a boarders horse turns up lame in their owners lesson. Boarders are welcome to rent a school horse for their lesson or use the time with the coach for stable management and injury care/assessment. Make-up lessons do not qualify for make-up lessons unless cancelled by the barn.

34. Social Media: all students must tag @sagehillstables in posts taken on the Miracle Ranch Property or of Sagehill Stables/Miracle Ranch horses. Students **MUST ASK** their coach permission before posting any

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photos or videos taken during a lesson or practice ride. Sagehill Stables or your coach may ask you to delete posts that have not been approved. Absolutely no posting videos of fails, falls or other incidents.

35. Wash Rack Rules: Clients can use indoor wash-rack with coach approval and training. All persons using the wash-rack must: **1) check in with the staff working** that they are going to use it so the staff can check after that it has been cleaned appropriately **2) must be between the hours of 5pm and 9pm weekly during the winter hours** (i.e. Nov to March), can use anytime during summer hours as long as coach/staff is aware **3) must take a Sagehill muck bucket and shovel** (no manure fork, use a shovel on the floor) **and empty back in Sagehill barn** when done **4) both horses and humans are to only enter through Arena door or outside back door to enter the A2 barn**, for biosecurity reasons and to show respect for another businesses space, to reduce tracking mud, hay, ect through their whole barn (only use the end with the wash-rack), no touching or viewing A2 horses, no entering via the arena boardwalk. **5) Absolutely no washing manure down the grate in the floor. All manure to be picked up immediately** and put in muck bucket. Wash-rack to be cleaned after finishing (no manure anywhere, along walls or in grate). **6) hot-water to be turned off immediately when finished. Clients will be fined \$25 for leaving a dirty wash-rack or not following the wash-rack rules**

ENJOY YOUR TIME AT SAGEHILL!

I (client print name) _____ have read the above stated rules on this ____ day of _____ (month), _____ (year) and agree with them in their entirety.

Client Signature: _____