



**MYSTIC**  
PASO FINO  
**RANCH**

## Ranch Rules

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(Print Name)

**All persons who board or ride their horses or use the facilities at Mystic Paso Fino Ranch (the "Ranch") are, in addition to the terms and conditions of their respective boarding, training, leasing and lesson agreements ("Agreements"), Participants of the Ranch Activities and subject to the following rules:**

1. **NOTICE OF RANCH RULES.** These rules may be changed, modified or supplemented at any time. You will be notified in writing of any changes and they will also be posted at the Ranch on a bulletin board.
2. **PARTICIPANT'S BEHAVIOR.** The safe, considerate and courteous behavior of each boarder, client, lessee, student family member and guest is required! Your safety and the safety of others is our primary goal.
3. **SAFETY FOCUS.** Safety is our primary concern at the Ranch. Notwithstanding anything set forth herein or in any Agreement, no boarder, client, lessee, student or guest(s) may engage in any unsafe activities or conduct while on the Ranch property or the surrounding trails. Horses that are known to bite, kick or have other dangerous habits or vices are considered unacceptable and may be asked to leave. If the Ranch management becomes aware of any unsafe conduct or activities, the Ranch shall have the right to take all necessary action to prevent it, including but not limited to, immediately terminating any Agreements and/or asking any person to cease and desist from such activity or conduct and/or to leave the Ranch property.
4. **RELEASE AND WAIVER REQUIRED.** All guests to the Ranch property must first sign in with management and execute and deliver a release and waiver. All Agreements have a release and waiver provision.
5. **SAFETY RULES.** The following rules are examples of required safety standards, and are not an exclusive list.
  - (a) No Loose Horses. No boarder, client, lessee, student or guest may intentionally allow their horses to run loose on the Ranch property unless they have been turned loose in the pasture. Loose horses create a hazard for others. Keep them on a lead line at all times.
  - (b) Walk Your Horse. While in the parking areas of the Ranch, around the barn and tacking area, and when in the presence of children and pedestrians, horses must walk.
  - (c) Halters and Tying. No horse may be tied to a gate or a fence. Only tie bars or the cross ties may be used to tie horses. No horse is to be left unattended on the tie bar. Never tie a horse by the bridle reins. Use a proper halter and lead rope for tying. When tied, the lead line must be tied high enough that the clasp will not reach the horse's knees. Halters will be taken off of horses when in their stalls, paddocks or pasture and a halter and lead line will be hung next to the gate where the horse is located.

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- (d) Helmets Required. All students and riders under the age of 18 or riders engaged in any jumping activity must wear proper certified riding helmets with a chin strap. Bike helmets are not acceptable. There are no exceptions to this rule.
- (e) Traffic Rules. When operating a motor vehicle on the private road up to the property, do not exceed 15 mph; when driving on the property, never exceed 10 mph and drive slowly and carefully. Motor vehicles are expected to yield to mounted horses or horses on lead, pedestrians and vehicles pulling horse trailers.
- (f) No Hand Feeding. Do not hand feed someone else's horse.
- (g) Ranch Safety Focus. Ranch management has the sole and exclusive right to determine all matters pertaining to safety. Failure to adhere to these Rules, or refusal to abide by these Rules or any safety request made by management is grounds for immediate termination of your of right to use the Ranch horses or facilities and any agreements you have with the Ranch without refund.

#### 6. GENERAL:

- (a) Parking. Please park in designated parking areas and in a manner that doesn't interfere with anyone's ability to move their vehicle or trailer. Horse trailers must be stored in their assigned place.
- (b) Approval Required. No clinics, seminars, instruction, functions, or any other type of activity may be held on the Ranch unless you first receive the express written approval of Ranch management.
- (c) No Use of Ranch Vehicles. No person who is not part of the Ranch management team may use the tractor, gator or ranch trucks.
- (d) Notification if Removing Horse. Ranch management is to be notified before removing a horse or trailer from the Ranch and upon its return.

#### 7. CHILDREN:

- (a) Children Under 14. No one shall leave a minor under the age of 14 (hereinafter referred as "Children") unattended on the property. At all times, Children must be under the direct supervision of a responsible adult. Running, shouting, climbing on gates, rock throwing, and rowdy boisterous behavior is not permitted at any time.
- (b) No Playing in Hay. No Children may play in/on the hay bales or in the hay loft.
- (c) No Riding in Pick-up. No Children may ride in the back of the Ranch pick-up trucks.
- (d) Children and Helmets. Children must wear certified riding helmets at all times while on horseback.
- (e) Children and Jumping. No Children may take a horse over jumps without immediate adult supervision.

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- (f) Between 14 and 18. Minors between the ages of 14 and 18 must have their parent's written permission to ride without the presence of a parent or guardian and must leave an emergency contact phone number listed in the office if they wish to ride in the absence of a parent or guardian.

**8. NO SMOKING.** NO SMOKING is allowed anywhere on the Ranch property or on the trails. Failure to adhere to this rule may result in immediate termination of your Agreements with the Ranch without refund.

**9. ROUND PEN USE:**

- (a) There is a 20 minute maximum turnout time for the round pen when others are waiting. The time begins when the horse is first let loose. Riders always have priority over turn out horses and lessons have priority over riders not taking lessons. No loose horses shall be allowed in the round pen while another horse is present with a rider.
- (b) No feeding hay in the round pens.
- (c) Please clean up after your horse when done using the round pen.

**10. DOGS.** Dogs may be brought to the ranch provided they are not dangerous or a nuisance and they are on leash. If there is a problem, you will be asked to leave your dog at home. Please keep dogs under control at all times. **NO DOGS ON THE TRAILS AT ANY TIME, WITH OR WITHOUT LEASHES.**

**11. GUESTS.** It is the responsibility of the Agreement holder sponsoring a guest to make sure that their guest(s) are aware of and follow the Ranch Rules. Anyone not in compliance may be asked to leave the premises. No guest may handle or ride a horse unless that guest shall have first signed and delivered a release and waiver form to Ranch management. Before any person is allowed to ride a horse which they do not own, a written permission slip from the horses owner must be delivered to Ranch management, and that rider must sign and deliver a release and waiver form.

**12. TRAIL USE:**

- (a) Riding Trails. Trails are open from sunrise until sunset. You must ride only on designated trails.
- (b) Respect Closed Gates. Please respect all trail closure signs and closed gates. Some are closed permanently and others for the rainy season only.
- (c) Safety. It is recommended that two or more people go on a trail ride together and that at least one person should have a cell phone. You must be safe and courteous on the trails. Slow to a walk when encountering other riders, and do not resume a faster pace until you have separated from each other by a reasonable distance. Any discourteous trail conduct or activities may result in the suspension or termination of your use of Ranch horses or facilities without refund.
- (d) Return at Walk. When returning from a trail ride, please slow your horse to a walk before you enter the Ranch grounds.
- (e) Report Problems. Please report any trail problems (i.e. fallen trees, garbage, holes...) to Ranch management.

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**13. OFFICE TELEPHONE:**

- (a) The Ranch telephone is for the use of the management and employees of the Ranch.
- (b) Boarders, clients, lessees, students and guests may only use the Ranch telephone in the event of an emergency. Any messages received for someone at the Ranch will be posted on the bulletin board if the person is not in the immediate area of the tack room.

**14. E-MAIL LIST.** The Ranch e-mail list is to be used only for correspondence directly related to Ranch news or events (for example, announcing a vet clinic or play day, reporting a trail closure, and so on). Please do not use it for personal correspondence, including jokes and photos from the Internet. (If you would like to send personal e-mail to any people on the mailing list, please write to each person individually first, and ask if that person would like to be on your mailing list. If people ask to be removed from your mailing list, please respect their wishes.) The email list is the private property of the Ranch and any violation or misappropriation of the email list may result in termination of your boarding and other agreements with the Ranch. The policy of the Ranch is to protect the names, email addresses and personal information of all its boarders.

**15. PARTICIPANTS.** All persons whether a Horse Boarder, Riding Student, Horse Training Student, Horse Lessee, Family Member, or Guest are participants and subject to the Equine Inherent Risk Law Oregon Revised Statutes 30.689 and are subject to the Ranch Rules and adherence to the instruction and direction of the Mystic Paso Fino Ranch management or their designees.

**16. BOARDERS.** Boarders are responsible for maintaining the health and fitness of their horses, including, but not limited to shots, hoof care, worming and exercise. No horses in the barn isles at any time. Remove and return horses to their stall through their paddock only. Boarders may not keep additional animals in their boarding area without prior written permission of the Ranch management. Boarders must provide Ranch management with “out of town” information, including: contact numbers and care arrangements.

**17. LEASES.** No horse may be leased by a boarder without the express written approval of the Ranch management. It is the responsibility of the horse owner to provide the lessee with a copy of the Ranch Rules and have each lessee sign and deliver a release and waiver form to Ranch management. The boarder will continue to be responsible to the Ranch for all boarding and service fees incurred.

**18. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.** are only allowed to be present during an approved organized social function with the written acknowledgement of the Ranch management.

**19. GROUNDS:**

- (a) Clean up. It is the duty of every boarder to help keep the property free of litter, clean and organized. This duty requires each boarder to clean up after themselves and their animals, children and guests.
- (b) Tie-Bars. Clean up after using the tie bars, hitching posts, round ring, horse stock and wash rack.

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- (c) Dogs. Clean up after your dogs.
- (d) Horse Trailers. Load and unload your trailer in the designated area and clean up after loading and/or unloading your horse and trailer.
- (e) Close Gates. Close and secure all gates to stalls, paddocks, rings and pastures.
- (f) Manure Spreader. Deposit only manure (and shavings) in the manure spreader.
- (g) Recycle. Recycle plastic, glass and aluminum in the appropriately marked cans by the tie bars.
- (h) Garbage Cans. All other garbage goes in the garbage cans located around the ranch facilities.

**20. TACK AND SUPPLIES:**

- (a) Tack Lockers. Tack and supplies may be stored in the Ranch lockers provided to stall boarders, under the boarder's own lock or in lockers that the boarder provides. You must obtain approval from Ranch management before you place any personal lockers on the Ranch property. Feed and supplements must be stored in rodent proof containers.
- (b) Don't Use Other's Things. Do not use anyone's tack or supplies without explicit permission to do so.
- (c) Don't Handle Other's Horses. Do not handle anyone's horse(s) without express permission to do so.
- (d) No Responsibility for Loss. The Ranch is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged articles.

**I have read and understand the aforesaid Ranch Rules, agree to abide by them, and will be responsible for my family and guests being aware of and in compliance with them.**

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(Signature of Participant) (Date)

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(Print Name)

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(Address)

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(City, State, ZIP Code)

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(Home Telephone) (email)

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(Signature of Parent or Guardian (if Participant if under 18))