

WALKABOUT FARM BOARDING AGREEMENT

This agreement is made this date: _____ between (Owner) _____, and Walkabout Farm (Stable).

Owner Name (Please print): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Fax, e-mail, pager, or other contacts:(Please list ALL possible contacts)

1. Horse Information

Description of horse: _____

Registered name: _____

Barn name: _____

Age: _____ Breed: _____ Sex: _____ Height: _____

Distinguishing Marks: _____

Date of most recent Coggins (Attach copy): _____

Date of most recent worming: _____

Allergies or other medical concerns:

Medical and vaccination record (attach medical history if possible):

Behavioral History:

Please note if the horse cribs, weaves, rears, bites, bolts in or out of stalls, etc. Please disclose any negative behavior, so that we can make handling your horse safer for the animals and humans around it. Include herd behavior if known.

Failure to disclose known behavioral vices will void this agreement.

Veterinarian of choice and contact information:

Insurance carrier, policy number, and contact information:

2. Risk of loss while this horse is located at Walkabout Farm. The stable, owners, staff, employees, assignees, or related persons shall not be liable for any sickness, disease, theft, death, or injury suffered by the horse or any other cause of action arising from or connected to the care of this horse, unless as a direct result of complete negligence. **All risks are assumed by the Owner.** The Owner agrees to hold Walkabout Farm, farm owners, employees, assignees, or other related persons harmless from any loss or injury to said horse. All costs, no matter how catastrophic, are borne by the horse Owner.

3. Indemnity

Owner agrees to hold Walkabout Farm, its owners, employees, assignees, or related persons harmless from any claim caused by said horse and agrees to pay legal fees incurred by the Stable in defense of a claim resulting from damage by said horse, except in the case of direct and complete negligence.

WARNING
UNDER NORTH CAROLINA 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 EXCLUSIVELY FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES. CHAPTER 99E OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES.

4. Emergency Care

If medical treatment is needed, Stable will attempt to contact Owner and the Owner will have the primary responsibility in determining the desired course of action. In the event the Owner is unavailable, the Stable has the authority to secure emergency veterinary care, farrier care, transportation, and other services. **Owner hereby agrees to bear financial responsibility for emergency care for the horse up to the amount of _____ (specify, in dollars).** If it is the opinion of a veterinary professional on hand that medical care will exceed the specified amount, or that euthanasia is the most humane treatment, Owner authorizes Stable to humanely euthanize horse. If any other course of action is desired, please describe specifically in the space below:

5. Routine Care

A farrier will be made available at six-week intervals, as a service to Owner. Walkabout Farm provides supervision and handling of Owner's horse as a courtesy only. Walkabout Farm may discontinue this free service at any time in the event the horse is unruly or otherwise poses a problem, or Owner fails to pay the farrier prior to shoeing. It is the responsibility of Owner to pay the farrier prior to or at the time of shoeing. The farrier does not extend credit, therefore, if payment has not been received, the horse will not be shod. It is the responsibility of the Owner to give specific instructions on the shoeing requirements of the horse. It is the responsibility of the Owner to note the farrier schedule, and provide payment without reminder or requests from stable staff.

Owner has the right to arrange his/her own farrier. Walkabout Farm bears no responsibility for scheduling, supervising, or attending the horse during shoeing. In the event of a thrown shoe or other hoof problem, emergency care guidelines as described above will be followed.

Every horse arriving on the grounds must be wormed either before or after arrival. All horses are wormed at 60-day intervals. See fee schedule for charges.

All horses are vaccinated in the spring and fall. EIA tests are done in the spring, and Rabies vaccinations in the fall, unless there is reason to perform them more often. Owner is obligated to follow this vaccination schedule. Owner may choose to use a different veterinary and farrier service, but must have all vaccinations within 30 days of the Stable schedule. Owners are responsible for the cost of all veterinary and farrier services.

6. Boarding Fees

Walkabout Farm agrees to care for the horse described above, beginning (date) _____, according to the rate schedule indicated below. **In addition to the listed fees, a \$25 late fee will be added for payments after the 5th of the month. A \$20 returned check fee will apply.** There are no exceptions to these fees. The fees are subject to change given 30 days notice by Stable. Likewise, Owner may change one boarding option to another with 30 days notice.

Full Stall Board \$440

Service includes twice daily feedings of grain and hay as needed, stall maintenance and cleaning, group turnout when weather and field conditions permit.

Pasture Board \$330

Walkabout Farm offers limited pasture board. This service provides daily grain and hay as needed, and access to shelter.

Miscellaneous fees

Owners are welcome to request additional services on a negotiated additional fee basis. This would include blanketing the horse during cold weather, additional hay beyond what is fed by Walkabout staff, additional or different bedding, etc. Please list any additional services requested:

Walkabout fee for these services: \$ _____

Owner initials, indicating acceptance of fees: _____

Parasite Control

Individual feeding programs, medication, and veterinary tech services are available at additional daily charges. Worming medication and administration of the medication is provided for only \$15 every 60 days. Owner may choose to purchase and administer the medication independently, but Owner is required to use the same rotation schedule and medication as the Stable.

Horsemanship Instruction

Walkabout Farm focuses on the practice of natural horsemanship training methods and centered seat equitation. Lessons are available from novice through intermediate level equitation, and from novice to experienced in horse husbandry and management. Horsemanship instruction is available at \$65 per lesson for 1-2 riders. This instruction is provided at no additional cost for horses in training.

7. Termination

Either party may terminate this agreement. Owner agrees to give Stable thirty days written notice to terminate this agreement. Owner cannot assign this agreement unless Stable agrees in writing.

8. Right of Lien

Stable has the right of lien as set forth in the law of the State of North Carolina for the amount due for services rendered and shall have the right, without process of law, to retain said horse until the indebtedness is satisfactorily paid in full. In the event Stable is unable to secure payment, and the amount of indebtedness exceeds two months of services, Stable has the right to sell the horse by public or private sale in order to settle the debt.

This agreement is subject to the laws of the State of North Carolina.
I have read and understood the above terms of this agreement. This is no mere recital.

_____	_____	_____
Owner Signature	Owner Printed Name	Date
_____	_____	_____
Stable Signature	Stable Printed Name	Date