

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

HOLLY AND EAMONN GILLESPIE  
STONECREST FARM & EQUESTRIAN CENTER  
508 SOUTH BRITAIN ROAD  
SOUTHBURY, CT 06488

JACKIE WOOD  
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NEWTOWN, CT 06470

I hereby acknowledge and state that I know and am aware of the following and that I have voluntarily chosen to use the facilities and participate in the activity of horseback riding.

I acknowledge that:

The property known as Gillespie's and Stonecrest Farm and Equestrian Center, aka Stonecrest Stables located on South Britain Road in Southbury, Connecticut that some horses are privately owned and some are used to teach horsemanship to persons with varying amounts of experience.

That the horses because of their weight, strength, weaknesses and natural functions may create conditions in and on the stable, riding areas and adjacent premises that are dangerous to persons thereon:

That all horses whether private or used for riding instruction may vary in spirit, may be subject to being startled or frightened, may have nervous reactions and/or may be less in control which may result in a person falling, horse falling, slipping, jumping, throwing and/or jostling riders, or kicking other horses with or without riders, or other persons on or about the property and riding area and

That I hereby assume the risk of injury and damage therefrom as well as from all other conditions attendance thereupon as a condition of my admission to said course, said premises and use of said horses in connection therewith and/or apart therefrom.

FURTHER, I the undersigned do hereby agree to indemnify and hold the owners, Holly and Eamonn Gillespie, and Jackie Wood, or any other owner, agents and employees harmless from:

Any and all claims on account of personal injuries, death and or damage to property sustained for, suffered by me, my personal representatives or derivative claimants resulting from my riding or attempting to ride horses; and

All claims arising out of my presence at the Gillespie's, aka Stonecrest Farm and Equestrian Center, resulting from any admission into the riding stable, riding areas, and from riding any horses furnished by me or to me in connection with the said course or incidental thereto or the use of said premises and horses apart from said course.

I hereby agree to abide by all policies, rules, and regulations.

This agreement to indemnify and hold harmless is binding upon the undersigned and my (and my child as applicable) heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns whether the personal injuries, death, property damage and/or other claims arise while or in part from the negligence of owners, Gillespie's or any owners, operators, instructors, agents, servants and/or employees.

I understand the risks involved in the programs. I recognize that the programs and its activities involves risk of injury and I agree to accept any and all risks associated with it, including but not limited to

property damage or loss, minor bodily injury, severe bodily injury, and death. Furthermore, I recognize that participation in the program involves activities and risks incidental thereto, including but not limited to travel to and from competitions, limited availability of medical assistance and the possible reckless conduct of other participants. I am voluntarily participating in the program with the knowledge of the risks involved and hereby agree to accept any and all inherent risks of property damage, bodily injury, or death.

I also understand that the Gillespies, aka Stonecrest Stables, or Jackie Wood, do not provide any medical or dental insurance or life insurance to cover bodily injury, illness or death, nor insurance for personal property damage or loss, nor insurance for liability arising out of my negligent acts or omissions; and I acknowledge that I am completely responsible for my own insurance to cover these expenses.

I further understand that this acknowledgement of risk and hold harmless is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Connecticut and that if any portions hereof is held invalid, I agree that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

I agree that this acknowledgement of risk and hold harmless is effective for as long as I participate in the program.

I hereby state UNDER THE PAINS AND PENALTIES OF PERJURY that I have read this Assumption of Risk in complete detail, understanding the consequences thereof, and execute this instrument as a sealed instrument the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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PRINT STUDENT'S NAME AND PHONE NUMBER

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SIGNATURE (IN CASE OF MINOR SIGNATURE OF NATURAL OR LEGAL GUARDIAN)

IF THE PARTICIPANT IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18, THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

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STREET

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CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

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EMERGENCY CONTACT AND PHONE NUMBER

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E-MAIL ADDRESS