### **ISABELLA FARMS BARN RULES**

#### **GENERAL RULES:**

- EVERYONE who enters Isabella Farms must have a liability form signed. No matter if they are only visiting, dropping something off, riding, or whatever
  else. This is per our insurance company.
- All special requests must be made to Dawn or Tina only so that we can inform our employees of what needs to be done.
- Do not tack up horses outside of stalls. All stalls have a tie ring inside them to tie your horse to. We also have 3 other cross ties in the large barn and 2 others in the grey barn. Keep aisle ways clear.
- Please refrain from feeding treats to other people's horses. Some horses get bad habits which they are trying to break.
- If you are with your horse in the aisle way outside of another horse's stall, please move them. Some horses are very protective and sometimes will get angry with other horses within their area. To keep horses from getting hurt or upset please move your horse to a designated cross ties or to their stall.
- If you're done with your horse and other people need the cross ties please move your horse to their stall or pasture. Do not hold up the cross ties.
- Please do not use other people's things such as fly spray, equipment, or medications. If you are out, let me know and I can help until you purchase more. Please ask if you do need to borrow something.
- Do not leave any personal items out. If you have buckets with feed in them or other personal items please put them in your lockers or boxes. Make sure your things have your names on it.
- Do not leave a mess. Please pick up your things when you're done and put them away. Clean all manure.
- Do not use our washer and dryer. Clean your own things. That washer and dryer is only meant for Isabella Farms and our employee's personal laundry that live on the premise.
- You will be given a clear box with your horses name on it. This must remain in your black box in front of your stall. You are responsible for buying 2 thermometers to put in this box. This will make it easier for us if we need to take your horses temp and avoid sharing thermometers with other horses. You may add other things to this box but keep it clean.
- Please clean out your black boxes. Throw away trash. Clean it out.
- Please do not park on the grass
- Please keep lounge door closed and do not leave dogs in there. It makes it smell.
- Remember to turn off all lights. Even if you didn't turn it on.... Please turn it off.
- If you let your horse graze on the property you must be with them at all times. No leaving them on their own.
- All garbage must be cleaned up. There are trash bins all throughout the property. Trash brings ants and other rodents so please clean up.
- Maintain a speed of 15 mph in parking lot and be aware of all animals, children, and people in the area.
- Please only load and unload horses on the turnaround or other gravel areas. The paved parking lot is not safe and horses may slip. Pick up all messes
  after loading and unloading.
- Barn equipment is to be used ONLY by Isabella Farms staff.

# **STALLS & SHAVINGS:**

- We regularly change out shavings in the stalls. The guys fill the stalls in the beginning of the week and by the end of the week they strip the stall
  completely and put fresh shavings down. This is so we get all dirty shavings out.
- Please don't take it upon yourself to put more shavings in your stall. If you feel that there isn't enough shavings please talk to Tina or Dawn and we will fix
  the issue
- When all the stalls are cleaned I will or my staff will look at each stall to see if it has enough.
- Normal day's stalls are cleaned in the morning only. If you bring in your horse during the day and make a mess in the stall then it is the owner's
  responsibility to clean it.
- During bad weather our stalls are cleaned twice daily.
- Water buckets are thoroughly cleaned weekly and fill in the morning, before the horses come in from the pasture, before the guys leave at 5pm, and at the night feeding around 7:30pm.
- If your horse drinks a lot of water we may add a third bucket in the stall or you can request a third bucket but please know we give your horse access to
  water at all times.
- If you fill your own water in the evening before evening check please inform Dawn. This is how we judge who is drinking water or not.
- If you are in the Clinic Barn please always tie your stalls closed with your lead ropes so horses don't get loose.

# FEED & HAY:

- Here at Isabella Farms we offer Progressive Feed, Oats, Beet Pulp, & One & Only. We also offer Coastal Hay. For an additional fee we offer Strongid C
  Daily wormer & Alfalfa.
- If you choose to feed your horse a different feed other than what we provide then it's the owner's responsibility to purchase the feed and supply it. There are no deductions to the board if you choose to do this.
- We give the horses hay during the AM feeding, afternoon in the pastures, during the PM feeding, and at the night check. Your horses get plenty of hay. Please do not throw them a half bale of hay. They don't eat it all. The guys end up having to trash the wasted hay in the morning. We give more hay to the horses then most barns do. If you want extra hay in there stalls there is a monthly fee for that.
- If you would like to change anything with your horses feed, give supplements, or need to give medications please inform Dawn of this. I will make the changes and inform the employees. Do not tell only the employees only. It is my responsibility as manager to make sure these changes are being done.
- If you are riding during feeding times our employees are told to leave your feed outside of your stall. Once you put your horse in the stall and there is no feed in the bucket please check outside of your stall for your feed. If it isn't there please go get it from the feed room. When horses come in from work we don't like feeding them right away so they don't get sick.
- Please recheck your supplements and make sure you have enough. Also, Isabella Farms recommends putting your horse on an electrolyte all year round.
   Due to our constantly changing climates and temperatures it is highly recommended so your horse drinks plenty of water. We also recommend SandClear monthly due to the sandy soil in our area.

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We also try to note on the board in the big barn who is out of supplements but please go to the feed room and check. We will not go look for you to get
more. It is your responsibility.

### **BLANKETING AND HOSING DOWN:**

- During the winter horses get blanketed accordingly: 50-60 degrees sheets, 40-50 degrees heavy blankets, 39 degrees and below both blankets. If you have a problem with this please let me know so I can advise our employees on what blankets need to be on your horse. Barn windows and doors are closed at 60 degrees and below.
- If you do not have your blankets out then your horse will not be blanketed.
- If you have specific blankets for turnout or would not like a blanket on your horse during turnout at all please let us know.
- When it starts to get colder throughout the day the employees will blanket at 5pm for what the temp will be at during that evening. This is to help the evening worker.
- During the summer the employee's hose down horses when they are brought in and will hose down a few horses extra that have extreme issues with the heat.
- If you are riding during the times we are blanketing horses or your horse is already blanketed and you take it off then you are responsible for putting it back on.

## **INDOOR WASH RACKS:**

- If you horse is muddy or dirty please rinse them off in the outdoor washing areas before washing in the indoor wash racks.
- Do not wash down manure, dirt, or hair of any kind in the indoor wash rack. I know you can't help everything but the drainage system cannot handle that stuff. If our drainage system is clogged you can count on us closing it down.
- Turn off water after use. Do not leave it on.
- Pitch forks, wheel barrows, brooms, and buckets are by wash areas and cross ties. If you don't know where they are please let me know and I will
  personally show you.
- Please hose down the wash rack clean after you're done. The big grey hose is the best for that job.

## **TURNOUTS:**

- If your horse isn't scheduled to be out and you turn them out, you are responsible for bringing them in.
- We regularly seed and water our pastures and try to rotate them as much as we can. If there is a period of time that we need to close down a pasture please understand that we may have a few horses TEMPORARILY on a half day schedule. This is to get the grass to grow. Of course we consider which horses can handle it more first before we make changes and please try to be patient with us. This is only done for the horses.
- If you ride your horses during the time they are supposed to be out in the pasture you are responsible for bringing them back out to their pasture. Horses left in there stalls will remain there.
- During or after bad weather horses will be kept in their stalls. If our employees have time they will hand walk horses. Please try to come out if you are able to, to walk your horse as well.
- We are the judge to whether or not it is safe to turn horses out. Please do not go out of your way to do whatever you feel. This is for the safety of the horses and also to keep our pastures from getting torn up.
- We normally throw some hay out to horses in the afternoon to their paddocks. We will throw two separate piles for pastures that have more than one horse. Please do not throw a half bale of hay out to your horse.
- Please be considerate of our employees. Especially during the evening times. We currently have 1 employee working every evening after 5pm. In the
  summer it includes bring in horses from turnout, hosing down, feeding, and watering. In the winter it included blanketing all horses, feeding, and watering
  all horses. The evening job can be stressful. Please be mindful that our employee has worked all day and is working in the evening as well. Do not add
  more to their list of things. People can get burnt out like this.
- During the summer we offer a select amount of horses for night turnout. If your horse doesn't need it please don't ask. It makes the night persons job a little easier.
- In the winter we try to stop the night turn-out since the person working the evening has to blanket all horses.
- If you think your horse can be grouped with other horses or would be willing to try, please let me know. More horses with more buddies means more pastures get rested and more grass grows.

# **ARENA RULES:**

- Always pass left shoulder to left shoulder
- Never come up behind someone to closely and call out which side you are going to when coming up behind another rider (EX. "outside" or "rail").
- Do not stop on rail. If you are stopping, taking a break, or talking with others please move to the inside away from the rail. Riders that are trotting or
  cantering always have the right of way on the outside track.
- Keep a safe distance from other horses (minimum of one horse length, more when trotting or cantering) and never let your horse tailgate, crowd, or threaten another horse.
- If you see a horse acting up or a rider having difficulties, slow down, circle, or stop until the horse is back under control. Be considerate of novice riders and green horses, give them extra space, and never pass them closely or going fast.
- Riders under 18 yrs of age must wear a riding helmet. Riders jumping must wear a riding helmet. If you are over 18 and not jumping it is recommended
  that you wear a riding helmet but your own personal option and know that you are taking a risk by not doing so.
- Do not turn horses loose in arenas.
- No riding in barns or paved areas.

### **VETS & FARRIERS:**

- If you farrier or vet is scheduled to come out please inform Dawn the day before so the guys can leave them in.
- Our employees are not responsible for getting your horse out of the pastures if your farrier or vet comes. Either make arrangements to leave them in that morning, come out and get them for your vet or farrier, or have your vet or farrier get them themselves.
- If you do have your vet or farrier scheduled please let me know so I can inform all other boarders just in case they need something as well.
- Always make sure your farrier cleans up after themselves. Have all nails, toe trimmings, and whatever else picked up. This has been an ongoing problem and it's the owner's responsibility to make sure it's cleaned up.

### PETS:

- If you bring your dog to Isabella Farms you must have an eye on them at all times.
- Clean up the dog poop. This is gross and disgusting. I do not like dog poop on my shoe or my horses. Pick it up. If I continue to see it then we will not allow dogs here.
- I know everyone will be surprised but not everyone likes dogs. If you bring your dog to the barn and there are other people here please put them in your own stall if you can't pay attention to them at that time.
- Keep the aisle ways clear of dogs. The employees are bringing in and out horses, driving the gator through the barn, and other people are bringing in and out horses. Please move your dog so that it doesn't disrupt the day to day barn activities.
- Please always have an eye on your dogs. I have seen some dogs running into horse's pastures. This is a big problem.

# **PESTS**:

- We have a fly spray system, we order fly predators to eat fly larvae, we fly spray all horses, and we remove all manure from property. Please note we try to do everything we can to prevent flies.
- In the summer, if flies are a big issue for your horse please leave us a fly mask and/or fly sheet to put on your horse during turnout times.
- Our employees regularly go out into the pastures and kill for ants. After a big rain ants appear everywhere. We are aware of these times and try our best to get them when they come up. This is a weekly to-do item on the guys schedule.
- Please do not leave any poisons or pest control stuff out or in your lockers. If you have a pest problem please come to us. Your lockers are right next to the stalls and we don't want any poisons to get into those stalls.
- Refill your fly spray bottles. Leave one on your stall and an extra bottle in your black box if you can't come by as often.

## **EMPLOYEES:**

- Our employees here have a lot to do on their daily list. Please don't stop them unless it is an emergency.
- I know we all like to chit chat and have a good time but please be mindful of our employees. Every time they stop to talk, that is time away from what they
  need to get done.
- Just remember our employees work for Isabella Farms. If you need something please ask Tina or Dawn. If you have a problem with an employee it needs to be addressed to Tina or Dawn. If you would like something different then you need to discuss it with us only.

## FEES AT THE BARN:

- A full price list will be given to you
- All payments are due by the 1<sup>th</sup> of every month. No exceptions. There is a \$10 daily late fee that will apply every day after the 5<sup>th</sup>.

### PROBLEMS AT THE FARM:

- If you have a problem or issue please come directly to Dawn or Tina regarding it. Do not count of the employees to tell me. You are responsible for letting Tina or I know of any problems.
- We do not tolerate any bad talk or caddy behavior. This is a barn of friends and family. Leave your issues at the gate. Do not gossip or talk badly about anyone. This is a place where people can come and enjoy their time with their horse. If at any point someone is way out of line and it is becoming uncomfortable for people to be around the barn then you will be asked to leave. We have done this in the past. We are very strict on this. This barn is my happy place out here and I don't need to have drama around me or my horses.

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