

ALEXANDRIA PARK April 2014

RULES FOR EQUESTRIAN USE OF INDOOR ARENA

- 1. All riders must prominently display evidence of an Alexandria Equestrian Association tag showing that the rider is a current AEA member.
- 2. All riders must sign a release form by printing and signing your name, permit number (e.g., AEA tag #), date, and time entering and exiting arena. Failure to sign in could jeopardize your arena privilege
- 3. You must lead your horse into and out of the arena.
- 4. All riders using the arena or stalls, must bring a manure bucket and remove all manure from the premises (including the parking area).
- 5. <u>Absolutely No Smoking</u> within the arena area or within 50 feet of the building.
- 6. All coaches/trainers if not already an AEA member, must obtain a trainer membership. Trainers may give lessons to no more than three students at a time. Students must also be AEA members.
- 7. Last rider leaving arena must shut off the lights and close all doors.
- 8. Any riders failing to obey these rules or acting/riding in a discourteous or unsafe manner will jeopardize their arena use privilege.
- 9. It is the responsibility of all riders to observe these rules. Report infractions to either Judy Tucker 908-892-9611 or Katie Wigness 908-479-4967 for action. If infractions are allowed to go unheeded, it could cost us all our arena privileges.
- 10. Carry in, carry out policy for all training equipment (jumps, cones, poles, round pen, gates, trail obstacles, etc.).

Options for Alexandria Township residents:

- 1. Obtain AEA Membership or
- 2. Fill out a facility use form every year and show proof of insurance.

Options for Non-residents

- 1. Obtain AEA Membership or
- 2. Rent facility per facility use schedule and show proof of insurance.

INDOOR ARENA ETIQUETTE

- 1. Do not stand in the entranceway to the arena.
- 2. Riders riding in opposite directions should pass left shoulder to left shoulder.
- 3. When passing another rider, announce whether you will pass to the left or right (or inside wall).
- 4. AEA does not allow horses to run loose or roll in the indoor.
- 5. AEA prefers riders to lunge/longline in the outdoor ring only. However, if you MUST lunge in the indoor, make every effort to move around the ring safely to preserve the footing and not disturb the base. If you do disturb the footing, go back and fix/rake it. If someone is waiting to enter, limit your lunge time to 10 minutes. If someone is riding, you may not lunge at the same time and must wait until they have finished.
- 6. To not startle horses when entering arena, stop, look for horses traveling near the entrance and speak up about your entering (e.g. say loudly "gate")
- Acclimate your horse to the arena and noises before mounting. Do not mount if your horse is overly excited.
- 8. With the exception of the bridle, tack your horse at the trailer or in a stall.
- 9. The maximum number of riders in the arena will be 8.
- 8. If the arena is at maximum capacity (8), and there are riders waiting to enter the arena, riding will be limited to 1 hour.

RULES FOR OUTDOOR RIDING AT THE PARK

- 1. Alexandria Park has a perimeter trail. There are two sections of the park available to ride, commonly referred to as the finished and unfinished sections.
- 2. The finished section is what you see when you drive in, encompassing the athletic fields and the walking trail. When riding this trail you must keep your horse between the walking trail and the road. Never ride your horse on the walking trail. This section should only be ridden when the ground is solid, not wet. A good rule of thumb is if you would not ride your horse across your own lawn, because of conditions, don't ride this section of the perimeter trail.
- 3. The unfinished section is what you don't see when you drive in, primarily where the disc golf course is located. There are many fields in the back and you are permitted to ride the edges, as is our policy with any field. If you are not familiar with this section, ask one of the Board members to ride with you to review the boundaries.

Alexandria Township Park Committee AEA Liaison
Katie Wigness

AEA Rules Committee Members

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