

BASIC ARENA RIDING RULES

For the Lakota Agriplex

- **When approaching** another rider head on, pass left shoulder to left shoulder. When in a situation you are unsure of, please call "rail" or "inside", etc. so there is no misunderstanding.
- **When passing** another rider from behind, please pass on the inside. Please let the rider know you are passing vocalize "passing on the inside."
- **Slower traffic** should ride on the inside. Faster on the outside. The riders in the faster paces have right of way on the track. A circle must give way to the outside track.
- **Do not get too close** to another horse as some may kick. Rule is one horse length away. Horses that kick should have a red ribbon in their tail. Horses that bite should have a red ribbon in their mane.
- **Clean manure** in the arena when you are finished riding your horse.
- **When you are walking your horse** in hand, please give the outside track to the people riding. Walk your horse closer to the middle of the arena so that riders can stay on the rail. Do not walk on the rail.
- **When stopping** to make any kind of equipment or clothing adjustments, please move out of traffic and do so in the center of the arena out of the way.
- **Mount Out of the Way:** Mount and dismount in designated area or in the center of the arena, not on the track or in front of the in-gate.
- **Please look** where you are going and where other people are riding. Ride defensively! If you are unsure vocalize what you are doing.
- **Always Ride Safe:** Wear proper attire such as proper riding boots and ride in control.

- **You must always** have contact with your horse when it is in the arena.
- **Before entering the arena**, the gateway and immediate track must be clear.
- **Do not ride side by side.**
- **Cooling down** stay on the inside track and do not block other riders.
- **In an Emergency dismount:** If a rider falls off, power failure, and/or a horse gets loose, all riders must dismount.
- **Helmets** are mandatory in open riding, for anyone 12 years and under and anyone riding over jumps. It is strongly recommended by the DC & District Stable & Arena Association that everyone 18 years and under wear a helmet when riding.
- **Ipods, wireless headsets, headphones** or equivalent are **NOT** permitted during open riding.
- **Cell Phones** can be answered if you go to the nearest corner out of the way.
- **Only one horse** can be lunged in the arena at a time. Lunging time is limited to 20 minutes.
- **Children under 12 years** when on the Lakota Agriplex property must be supervised by an adult.
- **Barrels, Poles, Jumps**, and any other props can only be set up in the arena if there are **5 people or less**. All riders and any new riders must agree to the props. One prop at a time. **There will be no runs. More than 5 riders the props come down.**
- **Prop Users** must yield to all riders.
- **No more than fifteen riders** in the arena at one time in open riding.

CODE OF CONDUCT

OBJECTS:

This Code of Conduct promotes the primary interest of horse welfare, rider safety, and public safety at the Lakota Agriplex and any area governed by the DC & District Stable and Arena Association. Participants, staff, and visitors have the right to be treated with dignity, respect, and fairness. They have the right to be free from physical, emotional, and social abuse. They have the right to be safe.

GENERAL:

The Code of Conduct may be altered or added to from time to time at the discretion of the DCDSAA. The Code of Conduct will be posted on our website and in the Lakota Agriplex.

All participants, staff, children, parents/guardians, visitors, and members must adhere to this Code of Conduct and all regulations posted in our rulebook.

Use Arena Etiquette and Respect other riders.

CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR

Failure to comply with all the rules and the Code of Conduct could result in these consequences:

- Reprimand/warning
- Documentation in your file
- Letter with consequences.
- Removal from the riding arena, stable area or the property.
- Suspension from the property.
- Loss of privileges.
- Restitution for property damage.
- Involvement of the RCMP.
- Behavioural contract.

Discipline Policy

First Level

- Rent overdue – letter sent
- Rudeness without abuse
- Minor rules broken
- Treating others with disrespect
- Inappropriate behavior, eg. Swearing, gestures, fighting.

Second Level

- Rent not paid after warning
- Confrontation with Staff
- Abuse of Staff
- Putting people in danger
- Ignoring the posted rules eg. No dogs

Third Level

- Rent – Executive has reviewed file and issued recommendation
- Dangerous acts
- Violence
- RCMP Called
- Mistreatment of animals
- Drinking or smoking in building
- Accumulation of many first and second level

LAKOTA AGRIPLEX AGREEMENT

The undersigned has read and agreed to the above rules, regulations, and Code of Conduct. They agree that infractions of the above rules, regulations and Code of Conduct will have consequences.

Date: _____

NAME: _____

Signature of user

FAMILY MEMBERS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT

_____ sign

_____ sign

_____ sign

_____ sign

Cell number: _____ home number: _____

Name of Parent: if the user is 18 or under (Please Print)

Signature of Parent