



## Release of Liability Form – Equine

Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch, its officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees, volunteers, successors, and affiliates (hereinafter, "Ironwood") has granted permission for the above named person to participate in equine activities at Ironwood. As an adult or the parent or legal guardian having control or custody of this person, I hereby grant permission for this person's alleged participation. I am under no mental or legal disability which would prevent me from signing and executing this Release of Liability. I am at least eighteen years of age and I have read, understand, and agree to the stated terms and conditions.

I am aware that there are inherent risks, dangers, and hazards associated with equine activities and that injuries resulting from these risks are common. These include, but are not limited to:

- a) Equine behavior that may result in injury or death to persons on or near them, such as kicking, biting, backing, or colliding with other animals and/or objects.
- b) Unpredictable reactions to sounds, sudden movements, unfamiliar objects, persons, other animals, and environmental hazards such as surface or subsurface conditions.
- c) Negligent behavior of other participants that may contribute to self-injury or injury of others, including failure to exercise reasonable control over an animal.

After consideration of the risks associated with equine activities, I believe the benefit to the above named person is greater than the risk assumed. On behalf of myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, I do hereby agree to hold harmless, indemnify and defend Ironwood from any and all liability for injury or damage including, but not limited to, bodily injury, personal injury, emotional injury, property damage, or death, which may result from any person participating in equine activities at Ironwood and/or using Ironwood facilities, its premises, its entrances and exits, and surrounding areas, regardless of whether said incident results from the negligence of Ironwood or otherwise.

I am aware that Ironwood is covered under Minnesota Statute Section 604A.12 (2015), which states that a nonprofit corporation, association, or organization, or a person or other entity donating services, livestock, facilities, or equipment for the use of a nonprofit corporation, association, or organization, is not liable for the death of or an injury to a participant resulting from the inherent risks of livestock activities.

In the event that emergency medical treatment is required due to illness or injury resulting from participation in equine activities or one's presence on Ironwood property, I authorize Ironwood to secure and retain medical treatment and transportation, if needed, and to release client records upon request to the authorized individual or agency involved in the medical treatment. This authorization includes x-rays, surgery, hospitalization, medication, and any treatment deemed "life-saving" by the physician or medical administrator. This provision will be invoked if the above named person is unable to communicate on behalf of self.

I grant Ironwood permission to use comments, photographs, and/or video images of this person for the purpose of marketing, publicizing and promoting. I waive any right to be compensated for the use of the participant's comments and/or image and release Ironwood from liability for any claims.

I understand that use of a helmet is *required* for all riders under the age of 18. I further understand that riders 18 years of age and older can choose not to wear a helmet, but that helmet use is *highly recommended* for the safety of all riders.

**ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATED TO  
CONTRACTING CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. **COVID-19 is extremely contagious** and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch ("Ironwood") has put into place steps to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19, but cannot say or guarantee these steps will prevent or reduce or guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Attending these activities at ISCR could **increase** the risk of you or your child(ren) contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge that COVID-19 is contagious and voluntarily assume of the risk of contracting COVID-19 for me and my child(ren) when attending or participating in Ironwood activities or being present in their buildings, or on their property, and the risk of infection or exposure from COVID-19 may result in personal injury or illness, or temporary or permanent disability or death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at Ironwood may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to Ironwood employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection I or my child(ren)'s activities or presence at Ironwood. On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless Ironwood, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of Ironwood, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in activities or being present at Ironwood.

**The signatures below apply to both the Equine liability on page 1 and the COVID-19 liability on this page.**

<b>Participant Name</b>	<b>Participant Signature</b> (parent/guardian if under 18)	<b>Email Address</b> (to be on Ironwood's mailing list)	<b>Date</b>
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