



# PATCHWORK PARK 2022 UPDATED VERSION

## EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

### LIABILITY RELEASE FORM (BOOTCAMP)

This is the official document between The Client and Patchwork Park Equestrian Centre Management, to be read and signed by both parties prior to any outside clients bringing their horse onto Patchwork Park premise for the purpose of BOOTCAMP.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU READ THIS FORM CAREFULLY.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, individually and/or as the parent and natural or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, (hereinafter "The Client") HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

#### 1. PURPOSE OF STAY

- a. My horse has been brought to Patchwork Park for the purpose of BOOTCAMP TRAINING.
- b. The objective is to resolve a behavioural issue, improve education, or to make tweaks to allow the owner to connect better with their horse.

#### 2. CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. Weekly plans for a horse to be trained through Patchwork Park are:
  - i. **FULL PACKAGE** (5 rides per week, Full Care Agistment)  
\$375.00 per week
  - ii. **PART PACKAGE** (2 rides per week, Full Care Agistment)  
\$250.00
  - iii. **ADD HAY (Optional):** + \$35/w  
(ADLIB ACCESS TO RYE, CLOVER, OATEN AND LUCERNE HAY)
  - iv. **ADD GRAIN (Optional):** \$25/w  
(DAILY HARD FEED CONTAINING ANY SUITABLE COMBINATION OF CHAFF, LUPINS, OATS, BARLEY, PRE MIX, ETC)

**BYO: RUGS, BRIDLE (And saddle if custom fit or small pony)**  
**IF NO ADD ON FOR FEED, BYO HAY AND GRAIN**

- b. I give permission for persons representing Patchwork Park to handle, work / ride, feed and attend to my horse as part of BOOTCAMP requirement.
- c. Patchwork Park will endeavour to perform humane, fair, necessary

and realistic training methods to improve my horse's education or behaviour. I will hold Patchwork Park blameless should my horse return with worsening behaviour.

d. I am invited and encouraged to attend training sessions to engage with my horse while on training.

### **3. RIDING OF HORSE WHILE ON TRAINING**

a. If I am interested in riding my horse while it is on training with Patchwork Park, I may trade one of my allocated sessions (under package) for an instructed ride. This does not incur additional cost.

i. I must not ride my horse without prior arrangement with Patchwork Park.

ii. I must be wearing an Australian Standard Approved riding helmet and riding boots for all mounted sessions.

iii. I must wear fully enclosed shoes while working with my horse on the ground.

iv. I must be under instruction and supervision to ensure training is not disturbed.

### **4. PAYMENT FOR SERVICE**

a. I am expected to pay x1 week in advance while my horse is under contract.

b. If I choose to withdraw my horse from the program, I must ensure I am paid up fully prior to removing my horse.

c. If I choose to withdraw my horse or Patchwork Park terminates my contract partway through a prepaid week, I will incur the following costs:

\$70.00 Per session of training already conducted (for that week).

\$15.00 Per day Agistment, including day of departure.

\$10.00 Withdrawal Fee

i. Any remaining credit will be refunded via bank transfer or cash  
ii. If the weekly amount exceeds the capped package amount per week, no refund will be issued.

d. My spot in the training queue will not be secured until I have prepaid my first week of stay in full.

e. My first week must be paid up front prior to bringing my horse to secure my spot in the queue.

f. If I pay for my first week up front then decide to forfeit my spot (before my horse begins) I am entitled to a full refund, minus a \$50 non-refundable booking fee.

### **5. AGISTMENT TERMS**

a. I have inspected my paddock and I am happy with the condition of fences, shelter, water source, etc.

- b. My horse will be in an individual paddock unless I have given permission for it to share.
- c. If my horse is in a shared paddock, I am aware of and accept the following risks:

- i. My horse could get kicked by another horse. Resulting veterinary bills are my responsibility.
- ii. I could get kicked, bitten, trampled or stepped on by another horse while attempting to handle my own horse.
- iii. My rugs, paddock boots or other equipment could get damaged by another horse, trees or fencing.

## **6. RISK OF DAMAGE**

- a. I acknowledge that there is always a chance of **DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY** when working with horses. I understand that horses are living creatures that can act unpredictably, making them at times dangerous or damaging. I accept all responsibility for this risk.
- b. I agree to act sensibly, refraining from interacting with other horses aside from my own (unless granted permission by the owner, even during an emergency where management must be notified) while visiting my horse.
- c. I will not allow inexperienced persons (accompanying me or others) to be hurt or harmed by my own horse. This includes acting irresponsibly by allowing inexperienced persons to ride or handle unsuitable horses, etc.
- d. I acknowledge that there is a risk of **INJURY OR DEATH** to my horse while on agistment or training, as horses are at times unpredictable or self-destructive. Patchwork Park will endeavour to keep my horse safe, however should unpreventable damages occur, resulting in the death or serious injury to my horse, I relinquish all rights to prosecution to Patchwork Park.
- e. I will act in a way to avoid damages to any assets or equipment on site. Should deliberate damages occur, I understand that there may be additional costs incurred to replace or repair items affected.

## **7. SAFE PROXIMITY BETWEEN HORSES**

- a. **I MUST KEEP MY HORSE AWAY** from other horses (that are not in my shared paddock, if applicable) at all times. This is to prevent the spread of diseases and also prevent risk of injury to myself or any horse through biting, striking or kicking. A safe distance between horses will be created at all times.
- b. I will not allow my horse to sniff other horses over fences.
- c. I will not walk my horse within biting or kicking distance of another horse.
- d. I have been notified that Patchwork Park is home to many stallions and colts that may become aggressive if safe distances are not maintained.

## **8. HANDLING OF OTHER HORSES / WANDERING**

- a. I will not handle any horse other than my own without approval from the owner.
- b. I will not enter paddocks, stables or yards with horses other than my own (or my shared paddock), even if the horse is in trouble. If a horse requires assistance I will notify Patchwork Park Staff immediately.
- c. **I WILL NOT WANDER / EXPLORE THIS FACILITY** for any purpose other than tending to or visiting my horse. This is a private facility and Patchwork Park has a duty of care for agisted horses.
- d. I will not enter sheds or private residences unless given permission to do so.

## **9. SOBRIETY OF ALCOHOL, SMOKING OR ILLICIT DRUGS**

- a. I will not arrive on the facility **UNLESS** I am completely sober of alcohol and free from any drugs that may hinder my ability to make decisions or remain safe.
- b. Patchwork Park premise is a **SMOKE FREE ZONE**. I will not smoke for the duration of my visit.

## **10. HORSE VICES**

- a. I have been honest in declaring any vices to Patchwork Park that may cause damage to equipment. Such vices include excessive fence walking, weaving, windsucking, cribbing, etc.
- b. If my horse causes accelerated damage to property due to this, I may be required to fund repairs.
- c. I have been honest in declaring any challenging behavioural issues my horse has that may place staff at risk when tending to basic agreed husbandry requirements (i.e., biting, kicking, striking, running off halfway through rugging, headshy, etc.).
- e. Patchwork Park may send my horse home if it is deemed as dangerous, dishonest or unsafe to ride. I will receive realistic refunds, as per Section 3C.

## **11. IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY**

- a. If my horse sustains a non-life threatening injury while on premise, Management will attempt to contact me before a vet is called.
- b. If I cannot be contacted, Patchwork Park will wait for my response prior to a vet being called. Immediate First Aid (hosing of injury, bandaging etc.) may be applied on my behalf if necessary and I consent to this.
- c. If my horse sustains a life threatening injury / illness, Patchwork Park will call a vet ASAP and then attempts will be made to contact me immediately afterwards. Patchwork Park will pick a vet based on distance and availability.
- d. Any veterinary expenses incurred are at my cost.

## **12. FIRE PLAN / NATURAL DISASTER PLAN**

- a. In the event of fire, Management will make assessments to best protect the property and the horses.

- b. Management may choose to move my horse into a heavily populated paddock if necessary to improve survival outcomes.
- c. I may elect to remove my horse from the facility if natural disaster threatens my horse.
- d. If evacuation is necessary, I give Patchwork Park permission to send my horse on transport to any location away from danger.
- e. In the event of natural disaster, my horse takes priority over any of my other equipment / possessions, i.e. rugs, saddles etc. and any losses to this equipment are not the responsibility of Patchwork Park.

### **13. MY BEHAVIOUR**

- a. I will interact civilly and courteously towards other riders, staff members and management while on site.
- b. I will treat any horse on the property with dignity, empathy and respect, and understand that any form of animal cruelty is strictly forbidden.
- c. I may be asked to leave the property and/or further action taken if I am warned that my behaviour is unacceptable and I ignore the warning.

### **14. DOGS**

- a. I will not bring dogs onto the property without prior arrangement.
- b. Dogs with prior arrangement must be well behaved and either safely restrained or on a leash at all times. Many horses have natural urges to chase and kill dogs and Patchwork Park fences are also electrified at head height for a dog.
- c. I will not allow my dog to chase the horses.

### **15. CHILDREN**

- a. I will supervise my child / children at all times.
- b. I will not allow my child to handle, feed or enter any paddock, yard or stable of a horse on premise, unless it is with my own horse (Individual Paddock only).
- c. I will not allow my child to wander the facility.
- d. If my horse is in a shared paddock I will not allow my young child (under 13) to enter the paddock. If my child wants to handle my horse I will remove it from the shared paddock first.

### **16. USE OF CAMERAS**

- a. I am permitted to use video and photography devices for the purpose of recording my own horse only. I am not permitted to take photos and videos of horses belonging to others, or training sessions of other riders without their consent.
- b. I may publish footage online of photos obtained on premise for the purpose of encouragement, improvement or positive remarks only. Footage is not to be obtained for the purpose of defamation.

### **17. GENERAL MAINTENANCE / FEEDING**

- a. Patchwork Park is not responsible for financing or organising any

general husbandry pertaining to my horse (i.e., farrier, worming, teeth etc.)

b. As per section 12.b, deliberate failure to maintain my horse's basic husbandry needs will fall under "animal cruelty" which may result in my eviction and authoritative action.

c. Patchwork Park has a regular farrier, vet, chiropractor, saddle fitter and dentist available for use, however I may elect to use my own professional of choice.

d. As indicated in section 2, I may elect to bring my own feed for my horse while on training. If my feed stocks run out, I will be billed if Patchwork Park has to feed my horse using Patchwork Park feed.

## **18. STALLIONS**

a. I am permitted to bring a stallion onto the property for the purpose of BOOTCAMP, provided the following points are adhered to:

i. My stallion is well behaved and able to be controlled by Patchwork Park staff.

ii I provide Patchwork Park with clear EA Approved green stallion discs on either side of the animal (headstall) for use any time the horse is removed from its paddock.

iii. Handlers under 18 are experienced with stallions and are supervised by an adult at all times.

iv. I must be diligent with maintaining safe distances with other horses.

v. Handlers of mares have right of way.

vi. I may provide a stallion chain or rearing bit, but not compulsory if my animal is well tempered and under control.

I have read this contract carefully and agree to its contents.

Signed (The Client) \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed (Management) \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUR DETAILS**

Name of Client: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you consent to photos of your horse being used on our Facebook Page? YES /NO

**HORSE #** \_\_\_\_\_

Horse name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Colour: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the horse broken in? (Please circle YES / NO

Why have you decided to bring your horse

here? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does the horse have any previous injuries, or issues? \_\_\_\_\_

To the best of your knowledge, is this horse sound and healthy? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the last time this horse has been ridden or worked? \_\_\_\_\_

What is this horse like after time off work? (Buck, spooky, rear etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Does this horse need to be lunged prior to a ride?: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you confident handling and riding this horse? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

What sort of person would suit this horse? (Level of Experience /

Confidence) \_\_\_\_\_

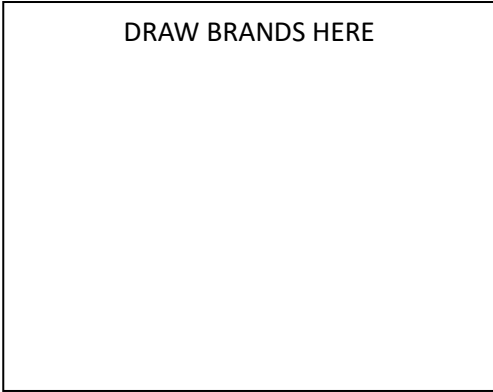
Please circle all that apply: WINDSUCK / FENCE WALK / WEAVE / CRIB / DESTRUCTIVE

/ SEPARATION ANXIETY / OTHER (Explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this horse safe for our staff to handle? (le, rug, fly mask on

etc?) \_\_\_\_\_

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Behaviours:

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Is this horse hard to catch? YES / NO

Paddock Arrangement:

Individual / Shared / Pairs

Rugging: YES / NO (BYO RUG)

Feeding arrangements: BYO FEED / ADD HAY / ADD GRAIN

**If no BYO, please indicate any dietary restrictions / feed allergies. If no allergies listed, your horse will be placed on a custom feeding plan as coordinated by Patchwork Park, with the intent to support your horse's health and caloric needs while in training:**

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Is there anything else you want us to know about your horse?: \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*\*OWNER TO KEEP THIS PAGE\*\***

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