

*Deseos Arabians & Miniatures LLC strives to maintain a safe, enjoyable, and humane environment for both horses and people. With this in mind and in keeping with the Principles of Classical Training for the Horse and Rider, the following will be adhered to at all times while on our property:*

This is a Smoke-Free ranch. **Absolutely NO SMOKING** or tobacco use of any kind is permitted anywhere on this property.

The welfare of the horse(s) and safety of our students overrides everything else. In the event of an emergency or unusual circumstance decisions are to be made that place the well being of the horse and safety of the student first.

It is not permitted to use training methods or devices on our premises that are not in the best interest of the horse. Auxiliary reins, martingales, tie-downs, draw reins, tight or severe nosebands, or any other device that is contrary to the natural biomechanics of the horse will not be permitted. You may train with a saddle and bridle, any other tack items must be approved prior to use.

The following types of properly fitting bits are permitted for use in our programs: Myler Comfort Snaffle, Myler Mullen Mouth Snaffle, Mullen Mouth Pelham, and other Mullen Mouth bits are acceptable for use; other bits need to be approved by Deseos Arabians & Miniatures LLC prior to use. Bitless bridles are acceptable; some hackamores are permissible, check with one of our trainers for approval.

At no time will anything be permitted to be attached to the horse's bit other than standard bridle reins, double lunge lines, or long reins. When horses are being lunged on a single line they must be wearing a properly adjusted lunge cavesson or an approved rope training halter. When training, horses are not permitted to be lunged in a regular flat leather or nylon halter. Lunge lines are not permitted to be attached to the bit or bridle unless ground driving or double lunging when two lines will be used. We have a variety of lunge cavessons and rope training halters available for use both alone and with bridles, please ask.

The use of force on any horse or the misuse of training aids such as ropes, crops, sticks, whips, spurs, bits, etc will NOT be tolerated on the premises.

Rider and trainer will ensure that the saddle, bridle, bit, halter, and any equipment used on a horse properly fits the horse, is comfortable for the horse, is in good repair, and is not injurious to the horse in any way.

A Pre-Ride Safety Check of horse and equipment will be completed by everyone prior to training or riding.

**SAFETY HELMETS REQUIRED WHILE MOUNTED!** All Individuals must wear equestrian approved safety helmets when on horseback on these premises, when riding our lesson horses on any premises, or when riding in an organized activity sponsored by Deseos Arabians & Miniatures LLC. Safety helmets must be approved for equestrian use and be ATSM/SEI certified. Safety helmets are required at ALL TIMES whether on or off premises when riding a Deseos Arabians owned horse or when participating in one of our clinics.

**No one is allowed near or around the horses without proper clothing and footwear!** Anyone around, near, handling, or riding horses must wear long pants and boots. In addition, riders must wear a helmet as previously described. Gloves, protective vests, and long sleeves are optional, but not required. People without proper attire are NOT permitted near or around the horses and will be required to be on the other side of stalls, pens, or fences from the horse(s) and a minimum of 15 feet away from horses that are not separated from you by a barrier.

**NO UNSUPERVISED CHILDREN!** Anyone under the age of 18 must be supervised by an adult at all times. We are not babysitters, unless your child is participating in training and supervised by an instructor we are not responsible for them. They must be with a parent or guardian.

When we are open for business the cats are properly put away in their holding pen prior to opening up the barn doors. These cats are not allowed to run free outside. Please do not open the barn doors if the cats are loose and do not open the cat cage and allow the cats out when the barn is open.

Please clean up after yourself. Sweep the floor when done grooming your horse. Pick up any manure your horse drops; there are muck buckets and rakes for use in the barn. Turn off all water and put all equipment away properly when done, make sure that stall doors, pens, gates, etc. are secure.

When arriving and leaving the property: If the gate is open leave it open. If the gate is closed please close it again after use.

Deseos Arabians & Miniatures LLC is not responsible for anything lost, stolen, or damaged. Do not borrow equipment from anyone, including from us, without first receiving permission.

Please keep the tack room and grooming area orderly. Put all equipment away after each use.

Horses are NOT to be tied to anything by the bridle reins. Horses must be tied by a lead rope attached to a halter. Horses may only be tied to objects when using a safety device known as "The Clip". If "The Clip" is not in use, do not tie the horse to anything! We have "The Clip" available for use, ask if you need to borrow one or are unfamiliar with how to use it. This is a safety measure to prevent injury to horses or damage to equipment in the event a horse pulls back.

Stallions are not to be brought onto the property without prior consent from Deseos Arabians & Miniatures LLC.

Take proper safety precautions when handling horses. Remember that horses are animals that often act on their own and easily become startled. You are riding and handling horses at your own risk.

Use of Deseos Arabian's horses is prohibited by anyone other than one of our students and then only with permission and under supervision by stable owner or designee.

Visitors must check-in and be accompanied by Deseos Arabians Personnel at all times unless told otherwise.

Well behaved dogs are welcome. Visiting dogs must be restrained by a leash, on voice control, kept in a cool car, or kenneled while on the premises.