

Ligara Farms

Trainer: Susan Crenshaw (408) 230-4312

Training Agreement

TRAINING – Training days are Tuesday through Saturday. The barn is open Sunday and Monday for those who would like to hack. *There is no jumping without a trainer present.*

Tuesday	8:00AM to 1:00PM – 4:00 to 7:00PM
Wednesday	8:00AM to 1:00PM – 4:00 to 7:00PM
Thursday	8:00AM to 1:00PM – 4:00 to 7:00PM
Friday	8:00AM to 1:00PM – 4:00 to 7:00PM
Saturday	8:00AM to 2:30 PM

Private Lessons available by special request

HOLIDAYS AND VACATIONS– There will be no training on these days:

New Years Day	Thanksgiving – Thursday and Friday
Memorial Day	Christmas Eve
4 th and 5 th of July	Christmas Day
Labor Day	New Years Eve

In December, I lighten up the work schedule for the horses in order to give them a little break before the new show season. I usually take some vacation during the Christmas/New Year's time frame. Responsible people will be here to watch over the horses.

TRAINING PROGRAMS

All lessons require a 24 hour notice of cancellation or there will be no make-up lesson. You are responsible for arriving on time and tacking up your horse. If you plan to jump, please arrive early enough to warm up the horse so we can maximize your time

TRAINING – You have the option of up to five lessons a week. These lessons may be used in a variety of ways. The owner may take all five lessons, or may decide on a combination of trainer/owner rides. Training includes show trims and mane pulling. Full grooming is not included.

PRIVATE – Private lessons are 30 minutes.

GROUP – Group lessons are 1 hour. There will generally be 2-4 riders.

RIDING ATTIRE – Appropriate riding shoes must be worn (boots, paddock boots, sturdy shoe with a heel) with no exceptions. Jeans or breeches with chaps or half chaps are acceptable. No oversized sweaters or sweatshirts. Hair must be confined under the hat (we prefer you use a hairnet) or in a neat braid.

EQUIPMENT – Consult the attached list for all equipment needed for training at this barn. Tack and equipment (saddles, bridles, bits, martingales, etc.) must be cleaned after each use. *Loaned equipment must be returned promptly* after each lesson in clean condition. Please put away all equipment in the appropriate areas.

HORSE SHOWS – There are no make-up lessons on horse show days. If all trainers are gone for an extended period of time, I will *try* to have *some* training coverage. The owner is responsible for preparing the horse for a show; bathing, cleaning equipment, etc.

PAYMENT – Payment is due by the 1st of the month, a late charge of \$50 is applicable on the 4th. After the 5th the late charge rises to \$75.00 There will be a \$25 charge for returned checks, and a \$25 fee for checks written by me for a service on your horse. A **15 day** notice is due before changing the program. All money and fees owed must be paid before the horse leaves the barn.

ATTITUDE – A happy and friendly atmosphere is very important to me as a trainer and barn owner. In order to preserve this atmosphere, it is important to communicate to me any problems you are having with your horse, training program, the barn, or with other clients. Communication to other clients of your unhappiness with the trainer or other clients only results in an uneasy atmosphere at best, and the possibility of a *terminated training and boarding contract*.

GENERAL RULES

1. Good sportsmanship is a must. Please support your fellow rider.
2. **Attitude:** Negative gossip, physical abuse, or bad mouthing is not acceptable. Any problems you are having at the barn must be addressed with Susan, who will do her best to solve the problem. This is very important to the overall attitude at the barn. Failure to do so could result in immediate removal from the training program and barn.
3. **Reimbursements:** There is no financial reimbursement for lessons, only make-ups. *Remember, there is no make up lesson if the lesson is cancelled within 24 hours of the lesson.*

Trainer and Customer agree that either party may terminate this agreement with thirty (30) days written, email, or verbal notice.

NAME _____ DATE _____

(print name)

SIGNED

Rider and/or parent

Necessary Items for Horse in Training

- Tack trunk
- Tack trunk cover in Ligara Farms colors
- Halter and Lead rope (halter must have nameplate or you may order a Ligara Farms halter)
- Bridle
- Saddle
- Saddle pads (2)
- Girth
- Martigale (if necessary)
- Brushes (you must use your own)
- Backsaver pad: Gel pad, riser pad
- Splint boots for riding
- Splint *and* bell boots for turnout
- Blanket for winter
- Blanket for spring
- Blanket for summer
- Irish Knit or light cooler
- Shipping halter (with tag or name plate)
- Standing wraps (4) with (4) support bandages (show)
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- Short crop *and* dressage whip
- Spurs
- Boot pulls for tall boots
- Show pad (for hunters)
- Show pad (for jumpers)
- Bottle of bute or banamine paste
- Medical kit (antibiotic cream, vet wrap, elasticon, rolled cotton, sissors, duct tape)
- Stud chain (even if you feel you don't need it!)