

## **GENERAL FACILITY RULES**

- When in yard, barn or arenas, all horses must be supervised and have a halter, rope on bridle on for control.
- Please do not hand feed any horses or give treats to other people's horses without permission.
- Smoking is prohibited on the property, please be mindful of the language you use.
- No dogs allowed.
- Please respect the privacy of the yard areas around the houses. Do not enter the back yard.
- In the barnyard, dispose of your horse's manure in a pen or manure spreader or use the muck tubs provided.
- If a gate is closed keep it closed, if a gate is open keep it open; there is a reason it is the way it is.
- We all appreciate a clean facility, let's all work together to keep it that way.

## **BARN RULES**

- Barn and Arena doors are to be kept closed.
- Please only tie horses in grooming stalls in barn or designated tie areas.
- Sweep up dirt/hair and your horse's manure BEFORE and AFTER riding, using shovels and tubs provided.
- Put equipment and belongings away during your ride. AEC is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.
- Anyone caught by security cameras as having not cleaned up will get a \$10/incident clean-up charge added.
- Extra Feed can be fed in the barn or outside and is to be stored in mouse proof containers in feed room or at home.
- Garbage cans have been provided.
- Anyone wanting to use their own farrier may use the barn during non-lesson times, or outside anytime. No nails in manure tubs! Contact us for a barn farrier schedule.
- Last person out of the barn & arena, please turn off all inside lights.

## **ARENA RULES**

- Everyone riding or working at AEC must read, understand & sign/submit a Release of Liability/Risk Waiver. No one is to ride in lessons or otherwise, this includes riding your horse, without first submitting a waiver or lesson/board agreement.
- Barn hours are 8am-10pm. See website calendar for closures for maintenance, clinics, shows or camps.
- No lunging in the arena during lessons or when there are 3 or more riders in the arena. Only 1 horse at a time.
- General riding is allowed in the arenas during lessons. However, as a suggestion, familiarize yourself with the lesson schedule posted and try to arrange your riding at the least congested times.
- The lesson instructor has control of the arena during lessons. Please listen to their requests.
- Manure in the arenas breaks down and creates dust, so please pick up any manure in the arena when you are done riding using the fork and manure bucket provided.
- Heeled footwear and long pants are mandatory while riding. No sandals or bare feet when near any horse.
- ASTM Approved Riding Helmets are mandatory for riders under 18, and for all riders while in lessons, even 18+, helmets are STRONGLY recommended.
- No riders under the age of 18 may ride/handle a horse alone. Riders 14-17 must have a companion present. All riders under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a responsible adult when at AEC, unless in a lesson.
- No jumping (including free/chute jumping) unless you are in a lesson with a AEC instructor. No exceptions.
- Please adhere to the following arena etiquette: When you are entering the indoor arena, look first to see when its safe and announce yourself by saying "Door!" before you open it. Check your girth and

tack before mounting. If a lesson is in progress, familiarize yourself with the course being ridden so as not to get caught in an unsafe location. If horses are working both ways in the ring, pass left to left. Walking horses should be to the inside if busy. If a rider and/or horse should fall, STOP all movement immediately. Listen to the instructions of any instructor present. If no instructor is in the arena, make sure both horse and rider are okay before resuming your ride. In case of a power outage, stop immediately and dismount. The emergency lighting should go on. Don't resume your ride until the power has been restored if dark.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Amethyst Equine Connections Inc. Rules, and agree to abide by them.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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