



## Lesson Registration Form

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_  
If student, name of school \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian Information (if applicable)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

### Questionnaire

How did you learn about GaitWay Stables? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your experience with horses

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What are your goals for taking riding lessons?

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What are your best style(s) of learning (i.e. visual, logical, verbal, aural, physical, social and solitary)?

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Have you ever fallen off a horse? Any injuries resulting?

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Any other information you feel we should know?

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Please check the type of lessons you want to register for:

\_\_\_ Pony Pals \_\_\_ Little Britches \_\_\_ Beginner/Intermediate \_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_ Advanced

**Description of Levels**

Pony Pals – 1hr private lessons taught by our junior teaching staff. These lessons are designed for beginner riders to learn how to halter, lead, groom and tack a horse. While mounted Pony Pal riders learn horse to safely mount and dismount your horse, walk, steer, halt and be introduced to trot. You will be allowed to test out of Pony Pals (graduating to Little Britches) once you are independent at the walk/trot.

**Required Attire: Long pants (leggings are great) and boots with a heel. Helmet provided by GWS. No skimpy tank tops allowed.**

Little Britches – 1.5hr semi-private (2 riders) lessons. These lessons are designed to introduce Pony Pal riders into a small group situation to hone their steering and to learn the etiquette of riding in a group situation. While mounted you will learn how to walk and trot independently in an arena with others and steer a horse through an obstacle course. Balance is a crucial component learned at this stage.

Riders will also perfect their grooming/tacking so they are completely independent by the time they move up to the Beginner/Intermediate Level.

**Required Attire: Riding breeches or jodphurs and paddock boots. Helmet provided by GWS. No skimpy tank tops allowed.**

Beginner-Intermediate -Beyond the beginner skills. Our class advances the skills such as stirrup and girth adjustments, balance, steering/control, coordination, problem solving and organization. Skills at the trot such as 2-point position, circles, serpentines and figure 8's become a focus. Elementary jumping and cantering are introduced at this level. A student may spend as many sessions as necessary at this level to become competent before going on to the intermediate level.

Intermediate - Has mastered the beginner/intermediate skills. This class will add skills such as bending exercises for the horse, lateral movements, different lengths of stride and pace, and how to get the horse "on the bit". This will be coordinated with learning the basics of jumping and dressage. Students may compete in combined training events and be introduced to cross-country jumping.

Advanced - Our advanced class is for refinement and polish in jumping and dressage. This level to the competition world of Eventing. This course will be a collaboration between the rider and the instructor to determine the specific content.

**Required Attire: Riding breeches, paddock boots w/ half chaps (preferably black, brown is ok), riding glove, ASTM/SEI certified helmet, crop (and dressage whip when instructor says you are ready). Hair must be pulled back out of face or tucked neatly into helmet. No undergarments showing (sports bras included) or skimpy tank tops.**

All classes have a set curriculum. Riders will need to show proficiency in order to advance to the next class. Due to the importance of understanding and practicing the basics, many individuals may need to repeat a level until they are comfortable with the skills they have acquired.

Preferred Days/Times (in order of preference)

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Times: \_\_\_\_\_

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Times: \_\_\_\_\_

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Times: \_\_\_\_\_

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Times: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Instructor will contact you with final schedule

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Instructor's Notes:

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## RIDING LESSON TERMS. . .

1. Lessons are available 6 days a week on Monday (11:00-7:00), Tuesday (11:00-1:00, 3:00-7:00), Thursday (1:00-7:00), Friday (8:00-6:30), Saturday (8:00-4:00) and Sunday (9:00-4:00). We are closed on Wednesdays. If you are interested in a time not listed above, please ask, as we do have some flexibility.
2. We schedule lessons one month in advance and require full payment at the beginning of each month. We bill through Quickbooks where you can pay online through a ACH transfer or you may bring cash or check. All invoices are due by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of each month.
3. All riders MUST complete and sign a Riding Application form. Riders under 18 years MUST have a parent/guardian complete and sign the application.
4. All riders MUST wear long pants, boots (must have a hard sole and a heel), and a ASTM/SEI certified helmet.
5. Students riding 1x/week are allowed 1 makeup per month. Students riding 2x/month are allowed 2 makeups per month. Lessons that are missed outside your allowed makeups will be forfeited unless approved by management. Cancellations made without 24 hours of notice will be subject to forfeit. See payment and makeup policies for more information.
6. Cancellation by GaitWay due to safety conditions such as extreme wet weather, high winds etc will result in a makeup lesson or horsemanship lecture offered on another day.
7. For safety and welfare reasons GaitWay Stables has a maximum weight limit of 250lbs. Please be aware that our maximum weight limit may be lower than 250lbs and is subject to variation on a daily basis according to which horses are available for work on the day that you attend. In addition to a person's weight, whether we have a horse available for you, depends on the rider's height to weight ratio, riding experience, general muscle tone and fitness level.
8. If a rider conducts themselves in a manner that is considered to be injurious or prejudicial to the character or interests of GaitWay Stables, its management, staff or customers, or fails to comply with the facility's rules and regulations, their lesson will be terminated, no refund will be made and they will be escorted from the facility.
9. GaitWay Stables will provide students enrolled in Pony Pal and Little Britches with an ASTM/SEI helmet to be worn at all times. Students in Beg Intermediate – Advanced lessons must purchase their own ASTM/SEI certified helmet.
10. Remove and leave all loose jewelry at home. Wristwatches & stud/sleeper type earrings are allowed.
11. Smoking is prohibited on GaitWay premises.
12. Under no circumstances shall riders take part in a lesson under the influence of alcohol or drugs, unless the drugs are prescribed by a doctor. Riders must include any prescription drugs they are taking on their application form.
13. STANDARD OF CARE. I will shut and latch all gates when entering and leaving the paddocks or your facility to prevent other horses from entering or leaving the paddocks. I agree to clean tack and equipment as outlined in grooming/tacking procedures posted in lesson barn.
14. Parents will be asked to remain in viewing area (chairs are setup near each arena), in their car or you may drop your child off for their lesson.
15. Please do not help your child with grooming/tacking or any other task they are responsible for while they are in their lesson. If the instructor needs your help they will ask.
16. Parents are not permitted in any arena during lesson time unless instructor invites them in. This rules applies before, during and after lessons.

17. In case of a student falling during a lesson, please allow our trained instructors to assess the situation before any parental involvement. Often falls, while scary for everyone involved, are not serious and minimal drama around the situation helps the rider recover quicker (mentally and emotionally). Should the rider be hurt or be inconsolable the instructor will ask for parental involvement or call for help if needed.

18. For minor students that are leasing and/or boarding at GWS, parents must be on premise during lease ride or practice ride (if teaching staff is not already on-site). The above rules regarding helping with grooming/tacking still apply.

Grooming and tacking independently is an important skill for all riders to learn. If a rider is not capable of grooming/tacking by themselves, this time will be included in the lesson. Parents that need to supervise students (for safety reasons) during lease/practice rides may sit in the barn, but not help with grooming/tacking.

I am a Participant and I agree to take riding lessons from GaitWay Stables, LLC on the following terms and conditions:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or Guardian Signature if under 18 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print name of rider)

### **Liability Release**

In consideration of GAITWAY STABLES, LLC allowing my participation in this activity, under the terms set forth herein, I, the RIDER, and the parent or guardian thereof if a minor, do agree to hold harmless and release GAITWAY STABLES, LLC its owners, agents, employees, officers, members, premises owners, insurers, and affiliated organizations from legal liability due to GAITWAY STABLES, LLC ordinary negligence; and I do further agree that except in the event of GAITWAY STABLES, LLC gross negligence and willful and wanton misconduct, I shall not bring any claims, demand, legal actions and causes of action, against GAITWAY STABLES, LLC and/or its associates, for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by me and/or my minor child or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of GAITWAY STABLES, LLC to include while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of GAITWAY STABLES, LLC.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or Guardian Signature if under 18 years of age)

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(Print name of rider)

### **Photo Release**

I DO  DO NOT  consent to and authorize the use and reproduction by GaitWay Stables of any photographs and any other audio-visual materials taken of me for promotional material, educational activities, exhibitions or for any other use for the benefit of the program.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or Guardian Signature if under 18 years of age)

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(Print name of rider)

**MEDICAL HISTORY**

<b>Aliment</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Please Provide Details</b>
Vision			
Hearing			
Communication			
Heart			
Breathing			
Digestion			
Emotional			
Behavioral			
Thinking/Cognitive			
Joint/Bone			
Muscular			
Pain			
Allergies			
Seizures			

List any Medications:

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Do you have any physical limitations? If so, please describe:

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Are there any other medical or health issues we need to know about?

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**Medical Consent**

Authorization for Emergency Medical Treatment In the event emergency medical aid/treatment is required due to illness or injury during the process of receiving services, or while being on the property of the agency, I authorize GaitWay Stables to secure and retain medical treatment and transportation if needed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contacts:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Medical Facility \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Consent Plan: This authorization includes x-rays, surgery, hospitalization, medication, and any treatment procedure deemed "life saving" by the physician. This provision will only be invoked if the person listed below is unable to consent for treatment.

Consent signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or Guardian Signature if under 18 years of age)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Consent Plan I do not give my consent for emergency medical treatment/aid in the case of illness or injury during the process of receiving services or while being on the property of the agency. In the event of emergency treatment/aid is required, I wish the following procedure to take place:

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Non-Consent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or Guardian Signature if under 18 years of age)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_