

## **New Concepts & Gerrie Barnes Release of Liability**

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I agree that I am totally responsible for myself, my horse, my truck and trailer and any other items that I bring to an event or activity. I understand that I am totally responsible for my actions and the actions of any other person or animal that I bring with me.

It is suggested that the participant carry appropriate insurances such as personal, trailer, horse, equipment, or other types as needed.

I understand that wearing a riding helmet might prevent injury or death. I understand that New Concepts and Gerrie Barnes recommend the use of a riding helmet. If I choose to ride without a riding helmet *it is at my own risk*.

Inherent risks of animal activities including horse and cattle activities, trail and obstacle activities, and other horse-related activities include running, bucking, biting, kicking, shying, stumbling, rearing, falling or stepping on that may result in an injury, harm, or death to persons and horses on or around them.

Animals can react unpredictably to such things as sound; sudden movements; unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; certain hazards such as surface or subsurface conditions; and collisions with other animals or objects. These unpredictable reactions also may result in injury, harm, or death to persons or horses on or around them.

**I am aware that participation in riding that involves both natural and unnatural obstacles can increase my chances of injury or death. I also understand that I may be riding in pastures and other open areas that have other horses, cattle, or animals in them which might increase my chances of injury or death.**

Under the Texas Equine Act, TITLE 4. LIABILITY IN TORT; CHAPTER 87. LIABILITY ARISING FROM EQUINE ACTIVITIES OR LIVESTOCK SHOWS : This Texas section provides that any person, including an equine activity sponsor, equine professional, livestock show participant, or livestock show sponsor, is not liable for property damage or damages arising from the personal injury or death of a participant in an equine activity or livestock show if the property damage, injury, or death results from the dangers or conditions that are an inherent risk of an equine activity or the showing of an animal on a competitive basis in a livestock show.

The rider may be held personally liable for the market value cost of an injured/killed cow if it is determined *that the rider caused the injury or death*.

New Concepts & Gerrie Barnes discourage the use of alcohol during horse activities. If you choose to drink alcohol during an event or activity with New Concepts & Gerrie Barnes, you take responsibility for your own safety and will be aware and concerned for the safety of others at the event, on the premises and off the premises such as driving your vehicle.

Participant agrees to hold Gerrie Barnes, New Concepts, its employees, independent contractors, volunteers, and their heirs and successors harmless from and against any and all claims, actions, damages, liability, and expense in connection with loss of life, personal injury, and/or damage to horses or property arising out of participation in any horse-related activity *now and in the future*.

The general understanding of the “publication, video, and internet consent and release agreement” is incorporated into this release including: no monetary considerations; photo, video or verbal statements may be used in subsequent years; is given without coercion or duress; and is binding upon heirs and/or future legal representatives.

I have read and understand this release of liability and freely agree to its terms and conditions.

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Participant’s Signature

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Parent or Guardian’s Signature  
For Participants under 18 years old

Date

**Contact Info – Please Print**

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Name and Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address\_\_\_\_\_