

Farm Policies

Regarding respect of the facility, staff and Tuxbury property:

- Use of any Tuxbury supplies or property of any boarder without permission is not permitted.
- No smoking in the barn or immediate barn area.
- Wash stall is for washing only – Please do not groom, trim, clip, or feed grain or hay in the wash stall.
- Everyone (children and adults, employees and instructors) are asked to be courteous and clean up behind themselves and their horses

Regarding riding and ring safety:

- No jumping of any kind permitted outside of lessons or without approved instructor supervision.
- Please do not interrupt scheduled riding lessons.
- No food or drink in the riding ring.
- Ring courtesy is expected at all times

Regarding safety:

- Children, pets, or guests may not be unsupervised.
- We do not provide supervision of children outside of camps or lessons.
- Please do not turn out horses in other than designated pasture.
- For safety concerns, please do not leave your horse unattended.

Regarding care of horses:

- Please do NOT alter your horse's diet with feed, hay or supplements without our knowledge. We take your horse's feed management program very seriously. Feel free to discuss any changes or concerns with us.
- Stalls are to be used only by stall boarded horses unless by special permission.
- Humane treatment of horses and safe and responsible behavior around them is expected

Regarding board policies:

- New horses must have a current negative coggins and proof of current shots on file with us as well as information on the current feeding program. If it is a feed we do not stock, we ask that you provide transition feed for us.
- All boarding fees are expected to be paid promptly.
- All barn forms and board contracts must be signed upon arrival at Tuxbury.
- Sufficient notice of departure (30 days) is expected prior to leaving Tuxbury.
- Transportation of a horse for any emergency is the responsibility of the horse owner.

- Fees and barn policies are subject to change as necessary. We are not in the habit of raising prices without sufficient warning.
- Main barn tack room space will be available for all stall boarders. Restrictions for tack trunk size may be implemented. We suggest the standard green heavy plastic type or at least that size trunk. You will also be provided with a shelf, a saddle rack, and a hook for your bridle. Do not use the barn as your personal storage space for additional horse belongings. We simply do not have the room.
- Pasture boarders will be able to keep saddle, bridle, and a small trunk at the main barn tack room if space is available. A monthly fee will apply; otherwise, space will be provided for you in the pasture barn.

Regarding showing students:

- Tuxbury Farm is not responsible for any policies, transportation or regulation of fees for any events off -premises.
- Showing students and instructors must have their own supplies. Tuxbury property of any kind is not permitted to be taken from the property without permission.

Regarding the sale and purchase of horses:

- Tuxbury Farm does not participate in the purchase or sale of any horses other than our schooling horses. We highly recommend that you proceed with the guidance of your instructor. Please be sure you and the instructor are clear on the terms of your agreement including commissions, fees, duration or exclusions of your contract, and the feedback you can expect. You will be responsible for complying with any insurance requirements for a horse on trial, and for a signed bill of sale if he is purchased.

Horses on trial:

- Tuxbury is happy for you to bring a horse on trial, space permitting, but it must be understood that you will assume the expense of that horse the entire time he remains on the property as well as any transportation fees incurred. Daily rate is \$25/daily.
- As with new horses, horses on trial must have negative coggins, feed instructions along with feed and hay, if it is different from ours, and recent shot records. Horses on trial will be turned out alone until they are formally purchased or leased. Trial time limit is 2 weeks.

It takes all of us to make our farm the home of “happy horses and happy people”.

We want to thank you in advance for doing your part and make a commitment to you that we will work diligently to do our part!

If you have any questions regarding our policies or fees, please feel free to call me at 843-509-2606 or email me at w1river@yahoo.com. Thanks so much, Angela Waits