

Basic Horse Safety Rules

- ✓ STAY OUT OF THE HORSE'S KICKING ZONE!
- ✓ Always be aware of your surroundings. Be alert.
- ✓ Never do anything to startle a horse, such as run, yell or make sudden movements.
- ✓ Do not wear headphones that will obscure your hearing what is going on around you.
- ✓ When you walk around a horse, give yourself as much space as possible. If you **must** walk around their hind quarters and cannot get out of the kicking zone, then you should touch their hind quarters and walk as close as possible. Should the horse startle and kick, the momentum of the kick is not as great in close.
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- ✓ Do not feed anything to the horses by hand. Everything fed to the horses must go in the feed buckets. Do not feed anything to our horses that has not been authorized.
- ✓ Never lead a horse with the lead rope wrapped around your hand. Always "butterfly" the excess lead rope.
- ✓ Use good common sense around horses. They are normally a gentle animal but they are powerful. Horses can startle easily and they will act in a way that will protect themselves.
- ✓ If you are asked to do a task that you do not completely understand, ask questions.
- ✓ STAY OUT OF THE HORSE'S KICKING ZONE!
- ✓ Wear proper clothing.
- ✓ Do not enter a stall with a horse unless you are instructed to do so.
- ✓ No more than 2 people are allowed in a stall unless given specific instructions.
- ✓ Do not enter a stall if there is more than one horse in the stall.
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I have read this information with a representative from Dream Catcher Stables. I understand these basic safety rules and agree to abide by these rules. I also understand that these are general rules and are not intended to cover all circumstances.

Print Name

Volunteer/Community Service Worker

Date