RIVER WILLOW EQUESTRIAN

EQUINE BOARDING AGREEMENT

This Equine Boarding Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into by:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(Hereinafter referred to as "Boarder")

1. **TERM: Effective Date:** _____

Agreement shall be for a term of _____ months/_____ year(s), commencing on _____. It shall automatically renew for successive periods unless canceled with 30 days written notice by either party.

2. IDENTIFICATION OF HORSE:

Boarder's horse ("Horse") to be housed with River Willow Equestrian:

Registered Name: _____

Barn Name: _____ **USEF#**_____

Breed: _____ **Sex**: _____ **Age:** _____

3. OWNERSHIP OF / AUTHORITY OVER HORSE:

a. Boarder affirms they are the legal owner of the Horse or have express authority from the owner to enter this Agreement. If not the owner, Boarder remains fully bound by this Agreement and liable for all related costs.

b. If different from Boarder, Owner of Record:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email**:_____

4. BOARDING FEE:
Board is due by the 1st of each month. Payments received after the 9th incur a late fee of 10% of the invoices total. Returned checks are subject to a $50 fee. Payments are first applied to any outstanding fees.

5. RIVER WILLOW SERVICES:
Stable will provide a covered stall cleaned daily. Turnout will be provided as weather and paddock conditions allow (no turnout in rain or wet paddocks). Horses are fed up to 6 lbs of pellet feed and free choice hay daily, along with supplements. Additional feed can be purchased. Owners providing their own grain must do so at their own expense; board will not be reduced.

6. HORSE'S PHYSICAL CONDITION / SPECIAL CARE:
Except as listed here, the Horse is, to the Boarder's knowledge, sound, healthy, and not in need of special care. **Exceptions:**_____

7. HORSE'S BEHAVIOR:
Boarder states the Horse exhibits the following behaviors:
Behaviors:_____

8. VISITATION HOURS / ACCESS:
Access to Horse and Stable is permitted:

- Tuesday–Friday: 7 AM–4 PM
- Saturday & Sunday: 7 AM–3 PM
- Closed Mondays
  Access outside these hours is subject to prior approval.

9. VETERINARY CARE:
Boarder is responsible for veterinary care. If Horse appears sick or injured, Stable will attempt to contact Boarder. In emergencies or if Boarder is unreachable, Stable may contact:

- **Veterinarian:** Dr. Laura Stokes Green | Phone: 917-570-6597 If unavailable, Stable may contact an emergency clinic. Boarder is responsible for all charges incurred.
- **Veterinarian Info:** _____
- **Horse Insurance Info:** _____
- **Credit Card for Emergencies:**

Card #: _____ Exp: _____

CCV: _____. Name on Card & Billing Zip: _____

Boarder agrees to maintain current vaccinations (e.g., West Nile, Strangles, Potomac Fever), Coggins test, and deworming protocols.

10. FARRIER CARE:
Boarder agrees to maintain Horse's hoof care. River Willow's farrier, Spencer O"Donnell (413-313-4448), is authorized to service Horse. Boarder is responsible for all charges.

11. TRAINER POLICY:
Only River Willow Equestrian trainers or approved outside trainers may provide training services. No others permitted.

12. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:
Boarders or their guests may not feed, turnout, ride, handle, or otherwise interact with any horse not their own without explicit permission.

13. AUTHORIZED USERS:
Boarder must provide a written list of approved users, including name, phone, age, and horse experience. All users and guests must sign a release of liability waiver.

14. SAFETY & LIABILITY RELEASE:
Important: By signing, you waive certain legal rights, including recovery of damages for injury or death.

Liability Waiver: I accept full responsibility for myself, family, and guests and release River Willow Equestrian and its staff from any liability for injury or damage.
Initial: _____

Injury or Death of Horse: River Willow is not liable for injury or death of Horse except in cases of active negligence. **Initial: _____**

Indemnification: Boarder agrees to indemnify and hold harmless River Willow Equestrian and its affiliates from any claims arising from Boarder's use of the facility or actions related to this Agreement. **Initial: _____**

Legal Costs: In case of legal dispute, the prevailing party is entitled to recover legal expenses including attorney fees, expert witness fees, court costs, and related expense **Initial: _____**

15. STABLE'S REMEDIES:
Stable reserves the right to terminate this Agreement or require immediate removal of Horse in the event of Boarder's breach or other extenuating circumstances. Boarder is responsible for all alternate boarding costs if applicable.

16. MODIFICATIONS:
No changes are valid unless in writing and signed by all parties.

17. NOTICES:
a. **To Stable:** Must be emailed or delivered to:
River Willow Equestrian, 471 Ridgebury Rd, Ridgefield, CT 06877

b. **To Boarder:** Sent via email as listed above and must provide proof of delivery.

18. ASSIGNMENT:
Neither party may assign this Agreement without written consent.

19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT:
This Agreement supersedes any prior understandings. No oral modifications will be recognized unless signed in writing.

20. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
Each party affirms they have read and understood the Agreement and had the opportunity to seek legal counsel.

21. GOVERNING LAW:
This Agreement is governed by the laws of Connecticut. Venue for disputes is Fairfield County, CT or Putnam County, NY.

SIGNATURES:

BOARDER:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

RIVER WILLOW EQUESTRIAN:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____