RISING STAR RANCH

SHARED SPACE ETTIQUETT AND EXPECTATIONS

Below we have gone through and put together a brief summery of our shared spaces. We ask that each individual take responsibility of cleaning up and not misusing the space. If you track mud, dirt or sand in, sweep it up. If your horse drops manure, pick it up. If you use equipment, put it away. If you pass by trash laying around, throw it away. Be a good neighbor and remember that others use the same space as you, lets all leave it ready for the next person how we would like to find it.

Arenas: Indoor and Outdoor

Share the space, practice good arena etiquette when multiple riders are in arena. Call out to enter arena. Let other riders know you are coming up behind them to pass or crossing in front of them. Stay two horse lengths behind other riders. Side by side riding is fine if both riders are ok with it. If you are lunging pick a corner or stay in the middle, don't lunge your horse close to riders on the rail and be cognitive of how other horses are reacting to your use of the whip. If you use equipment put it away, when you take out equipment and leave it out for other riders, make sure they know to put it away. Scoop poop, leave the sand by shaking it out. Leave manure buckets and forks in each corner, no need to move or take out of arena. Turn lights off when you leave the arena, light switch is conveniently located to your right as you walk out. Take your trash out of arena with you. Grooming is not allowed in the arenas. Feeding is not allowed in arenas. Hay is not allowed in arenas.

Round pen:

The round pen is not a turn out lot, or holding pen. Horses must be attended to at all times while in round pen. If others are waiting to use round pen please limit your time to 30 min. Pick up manure, leave the sand by shaking it out. Grooming is not allowed in round pen. Feeding is not allowed in round pen. Hay is not allowed in round pen. We recommend halters and bridles are removed while lunging. Horses are not to be in seating areas under tent. Rake sand in from sides of round pen.

Turn out lots:

Pick up manure when done using. Remove any leftover hay. Close and lock gate when done. Lots are limited time use, if all are full and others are waiting please limit turn out to ½ day. Time usage may have to be adjusted depending on how many horses are using them. Lots may be used by all boarders who need a temporary holding area for vet or farrier or various other reasons. You may feed in lots.

Hitching Posts:

Used for grooming and tacking up. Feeding is not allowed at hitching posts under any circumstances. Remove halter/lead rope and grooming box when walking away from hitching post so that others may use it. Sweep all dirt, hair and debris after grooming.

Clean up manure before walking away. Soak up clover slobber with shavings and sweep up after it soaks up. Remove your horse if it is not compatible with other horses that are tied up. Never leave your horse unattended at hitching post, have your tack prepared and ready before tying horse up.

Blanket hooks:

Hooks are not for storing blankets, if blankets are not actively being used daily they are to be taken down and put away once dry.

Feed Rooms:

Sweep any spilled feed. Keep all containers closed. All feed and treats must be in hard containers. Only feed, feed related supplements and feed dishes are to be stored in feed room. Tack is not to be stored in feed room.

Feed Stalls:

Short term use only, use for feeding or as holding area injured horse or drugged horse, or holding area when waiting on vet or farrier. May use stall if you have more than one horse in from pasture and need to work with both horses. Clean all manure and urine. Remove any excess hay and grain. If using on a regular basis, supply modest shavings to add to stall as needed.

Restroom:

Clean up after yourself, this includes toilet and sink. Change out toilet paper, extra paper in green cabinet. Video is on FB client page if you do not know how to change out paper. Check restroom before you leave if you have kids or visitors that use it.

Manure pile:

Shavings should be minimal, when cleaning stalls shake majority of shavings out and only collect manure and soaked shavings to dump. Dump on top of previous pile. Do not make a bunch of small individual piles.

Barn:

Pick up after you and your horse. Pick up after your visitors. Sweep, and then sweep some more. If you see a mess clean it up. Don't leave a mess for someone else to clean up. Report any issues.