

Supervision of Minors

Dear Strides Families,

This is a friendly reminder about a few important policies we ask all families to follow to help keep our barn safe, enjoyable, and running smoothly for everyone.

1. Supervision of Minors:

Strides' policy requires that **all children under the age of 15 must be actively accompanied by a parent or guardian while onsite**. This means they should remain within your line of sight and be directly supervised at all times—especially when they are around the horses. While many of our young riders are experienced and capable, our insurance policies require adult supervision regardless of skill level, for the safety of both the child and the horse.

2. Use of Equipment and Tack:

Only Strides instructors and approved exercise riders are permitted to use equipment beyond basic grooming tools, halters, and lead ropes. Volunteers should not access tack room items beyond these unless specifically authorized. Those who have been trained and approved for round pen work may use the designated stick tools.

3. Arena and Toy Setups:

Please refrain from altering the arena setup or using the toys and props, especially as we prepare for lessons. These are intentionally placed and scheduled for specific activities, and unplanned changes can cause confusion or safety concerns.

We deeply value the family-friendly environment at Strides and are so grateful for the community that makes this place special. By following these guidelines, we help ensure a safe, respectful, and smooth-running space for everyone—two-legged and four-legged alike!

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Warmly,
The Strides Team