

## **New Mexico Horse Rescue at Walkin N Circles Ranch Rules**

Alcohol, Drugs, Weapons, Fireworks	We are a zero-tolerance facility. Anyone impaired by alcohol or drugs will not permitted on the Ranch at any time. Anyone suspected of being under the influence of either will be asked to leave the Ranch immediately. Fireworks, guns, or weapons of any type are not permitted on the Ranch.
<b>Boarded Horses</b>	Ranch Hands must not work with boarded horses without specific authorization by the horse's owner. Mucking boarded horse paddocks is allowed.
Children under 17	<ol> <li>Infants and toddlers (age 3 and younger) must be carried or be in a stroller at all times. They must not be taken into paddocks or be within 50 feet of horses.</li> <li>Only children 8 years of age or up can become a working Ranch Hand.</li> <li>Parents, guardians, or responsible adults are responsible for minor children and must maintain control of and watch over them at all times while at the Ranch.</li> </ol>
Dogs, other Pets	Dog or other pets are not allowed on the Ranch, with the exception of pets owned by the Ranch or Caretaker.
Equipment	All equipment, such as pitchforks, shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, hand tools, and tack must be replaced in their proper location after use.
Feeding of Horses	<ol> <li>All feeding must be done in accordance with instructions posted in the feed barn by the Caretaker/Feed Team Leader. Any changes in feeding must be approved by management.</li> <li>Do not climb on haystacks; bales can shift or fall.</li> <li>Please do not feed treats to our horses.</li> </ol>
Horse Handling and Riding	<ol> <li>All activities must fit the particular horse's physical capabilities and restrictions. While equine capabilities and use restrictions are generally listed on individual profiles, you must have permission from WNCR Management to work with or ride a horse. Horsemanship skills will be assessed by a Ranch trainer.</li> <li>Always use a halter and lead rope to tie a horse (never use a bridle or hackamore reins); and always tie to a hitching post or pipe fencing cemented into the ground, not a fence.</li> <li>Clean up after your horse at the hitching post.</li> <li>No horse on the Ranch may be mounted or ridden by anyone while in a paddock.</li> <li>Please consult with WNCR Management prior to riding any horse bareback.</li> <li>Ranch horses may only be ridden on trails outside the Ranch with prior permission of WNCR Management. Ride with a buddy.</li> <li>Helmets must be worn at all times by all riders who are 17 years old and younger and are strongly recommended for all riders. Anyone 18 and over riding at WNCR without a helmet must sign a Helmet Waiver (available in the office) before riding. All riders 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times.</li> <li>We believe in humane treatment at all times. Never strike or abuse a horse. If correction is needed, use only natural horsemanship methods. If you are unsure of the method to use, consult with WNCR Management.</li> </ol>
Medications for Horses	Medications for all horses are to be administered by the Caretaker or the Horse Health Team. Boarders can administer medications to their own horses; however, they must notify the Caretaker of the type and duration of the medication.
Orientation	Successful completion of a Ranch Hand Orientation and Horse Handling 101 and 102 classes are required to work on the Ranch and handle Ranch horses.
Ranch Attire	Proper attire, such as boots or other protective shoes and jeans, should be worn while performing Ranch activities. No shorts or flip flops are allowed. Always carry a cell phone.
Smoking	We are a nonsmoking facility. Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the Ranch. The only smoking area is off the Ranch, on the road located on the north side of the main office.
Visitors	Every visitor must sign a release of liability before visiting Ranch grounds.