

HOBCAW BARONY

The Belle W. Baruch Foundation

Application for Horse Riding on Hobcaw Barony

STEP 1. Fill out information below.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone # of Lead Rider: _____

*Overall Length of 1st Rig (feet) _____ *Overall Length of 2nd Rig (feet) _____

*Overall Length of 3rd Rig (feet) _____ *Overall Length of 4th Rig (feet) _____

**"Rig" includes towing vehicle length and trailer length*

Total number of riders associated with this application: _____

Please list each rider as requested on pages 5 -7 of this application.

STEP 2. Call the Hobcaw Barony Discovery Center at 843-546-4623 to reserve your spot before you send in your application. This is to ensure there is room for you and your rig before you pay. **NO REFUNDS.**

STEP 3. Send in your application.

Applications **MUST** be received at least **3 days prior** to the actual ride along with proper payments (see STEP 4 for payment methods). E-mail, mail or fax application to:

Belle W. Baruch Foundation
22 Hobcaw Road
Georgetown, SC 29440
Fax (843) 545-7231
E-mail: hobcaw@belle.baruch.sc.edu

STEP 4. Payment Methods (due with your application)

Rider fees are **\$30.00 per horse** and are due at least **3 days prior** to the actual ride along with the completed application. We accept check or credit card. No cash accepted.

Please check the appropriate box and fill in all information. All payments are final and **NO REFUNDS** will be given in the event of bad weather or cancellations on your part. *No payments will be accepted on the day of the ride.* If no payments are received at least 3 days prior to the ride, your name will be removed from the list and access to the property will be denied.

I am enclosing a check made payable to the Belle W. Baruch Foundation for \$_____ to cover fees for _____ riders on the following date _____.

I will use the credit card information below for the amount of \$_____ to cover fees for ____ riders on the following date _____.

Card Type (check one) ___ Master Card ___ Visa ___ Discover Card

Name as appears on card: _____ Expires (MM/YY): _____

Card number: _____ Security (CVV) Code: _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Once your application is received and your payment is processed, you will receive a confirmation e-mail.
Please be sure to include an accurate e-mail account with this application.

STEP 5. Read through all regulations below and Lead Rider must sign at the bottom.

Regulations for Horse Riding on Hobcaw Barony

Regulations that will guide your usage of the Hobcaw Barony trails and associated facilities follow. Please carefully read these regulations and make all riders permitted under this application familiar with them. Failure to comply with these rules may result in dismissal from the property and rejection of future applications for recreational riding on Hobcaw Barony.

Limited Access

Parking of horse trailers will be strictly confined to designated parking areas. Since parking is limited, we encourage riders to trailer-pool in order to maximize ride opportunities. Each group will be allowed one vehicle in addition to the primary rig. All vehicles must enter the property at the same time and park in the designated trailer parking.

Gates open at **9AM** and close at **12PM** the day of the ride. All vehicles and riders must be off of the property no later than **5PM** on the day of the ride.

Upon arriving at the gate all rigs will be checked in by Baruch Foundation personnel. **Please have your current Coggins papers for each horse ready when you arrive at the gate.** Only horses with current Coggins test papers present in the vehicle of transport will be admitted to Hobcaw Barony.

No stallions or jacks will be allowed on Hobcaw Barony for recreational trail riding use.

Riders under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. The ratio of the number of persons under 18 years old to adults at least 21 years old must not exceed five (5) to one (1).

All riders must sign a release document recognizing recreational horse use as a hazardous activity as described by the South Carolina Equine Limited Liability Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 47-9-710 (1993)), and releasing the Foundation and its personnel from any liability for any human or horse injury incurred while pursuing recreational horse use on Hobcaw Barony. Parent or guardian signatures will be required for all riders under the age of 18 years. (See STEP 5)

Riding activity will be restricted to designated trails only. Roads and trails open to horse use will be designated. Riders that leave the designated trails may be asked to immediately leave the property.

All plantation buildings are of historical value and are not available for unsupervised access. The areas immediately surrounding historic buildings are protected from horse traffic. Riders wishing to inspect the outsides of historic buildings must tie their horses at designated sites and inspect the buildings on foot.

Restroom facilities are located at the Hobcaw Barony Discovery Center. The Discovery Center is open from 9AM until 12PM on ride dates.

Every person in group must be riding a horse. No extra persons allowed to stay at trailhead without riding.

Horse Tying and Restraint

All horses not being ridden must be under restraint by lead rope or tied.

No horse may be tied with a single rope to a tree due to the risk of chewing and pawing damage.

Horses may be cross-tied between trees or on a highline tied between trees. Riders may use their own highlines or use highlines supplied by the Foundation at certain sites.

Riding Behavior

Riding gates will be restricted to walk, running walk, and trot as a safety precaution to protect the well-being of riders riding at slow gates.

Racing of horses is strictly prohibited.

Going off trail to jump fallen trees or other obstacles is strictly prohibited.

All riding in the trailhead areas will be strictly confined to the walk.

Other Regulations

Anyone under 18 years of age is required to wear a riding helmet at all times while on their horse on the Hobcaw Barony property.

Disposal of waste hay and manure contained in horse trailers will be strictly prohibited in the day-ride parking area.

Use of alcoholic beverages on the trail or at trail rest stops is strictly prohibited.

With the exception of law enforcement officials, firearms are prohibited on Hobcaw Barony.

Safe vehicle speeds should be observed on all roads. Under no circumstances should speeds exceed 20 mph.

Digging for archeological artifacts is prohibited. Artifacts found on Hobcaw Barony are the property of the Belle W. Baruch Foundation and must be turned over to appropriate Foundation staff.

All other Federal, State and local law and ordinances must be complied with on Hobcaw Barony.

Please sign the following statement for completion of this permit application:

I have read all regulations that guide appropriate use of the Hobcaw Barony Trail System and associated facilities, made all riders in my group aware of these regulations, and agree to compliance with these regulations.

Signed _____ **Date** _____

STEP 6. Read waiver below and fill in all information for each rider associated with this application. ALL riders listed MUST read the waiver and sign under their information to be allowed access to the property.

AGREEMENT FOR RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In line with the SC Equestrian Liability Act, I am aware that riding horses is an athletic event, which poses potentially serious risk of injuries. I understand that I may be injured as a result of my negligence, the negligence of others or through no fault of my own or anyone else due to the activity in which I am engaged. I hereby hold harmless Hobcaw Barony, The Belle W. Baruch Foundation, all of the agents, directors, employees, and volunteers of this event for any injury or death I might sustain as a result of my participation in this event or by being on the grounds.

Lead Rider:

Name: _____

Must be 21 years of age or older.

Signature: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Other riders:

Name: _____

Signature (*Parent/Guardian if under 18*): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Age if under 18 years of age: _____

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