



Activity Safety Policy

Purpose:

Mini Whinny Therapy Horses, while acknowledging the inherent risk of equine activities, aims to minimize the risk of participants in its activities by adhering to the principles listed in this policy.

Prior to the activity:

- Horses must be certified therapy horses.
- Tack must be checked for soundness and appropriate fit prior to every activity.
- The designated area for the activity will be inspected prior to the activity by a representative from Mini Whinny Therapy Horses and any safety hazards will be discussed with the facility's representative and addressed prior to the activity.
- Mini Whinny Therapy Horses will send a letter to the facility's representative explaining how the horses and participants will interact during the activity allow for a safe experience.

During the activity:

- Only those who have received and signed a waiver explaining the risks of the activity will be allowed to be in the designated area for the activity.
- Handler must have lead rope attached to horse and in hand at all times during the activity.
- Handlers will never walk a horse over any type of cord or tubing.
- Handlers must have an escort from the facility in the same room at all times during the activity.
- After appropriate instruction, the facility escort will manage the participants so that the horses are not approached inappropriately by the participants.
- Handlers will present the horse to the left or right side of participants, not in front of or behind participants.