

# Caloosa Saddle Club - Membership Application

Note: Signatures are required by the prospective club member in each of the three designated sections on this form

Membership Type (check one):                  Couple/Family (\$45)                                  Single (\$35)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse (if joining) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\*Note: If an e-mail address is supplied, it is assumed that you will be accessing the newsletter information via <http://www.caloosasaddleclub.com>. One brief message will be sent each month to advise of major updates. Children included in family membership/Requirements for child members: Children must be 8 years of age to be Caloosa Saddle Club Members and to participate in club functions. Additionally, the adult member(s) under whom any child is granted membership must be the parent and/or legal guardian of that child. By including the child on this application, you are confirming that you and the child meet the criteria for inclusion in family membership in the Caloosa Saddle Club.

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Child's Name	Date of Birth
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Warning: Pursuant to Florida Statute 773.02: "An equine activity sponsor or equine professional . . . shall not be liable for an injury or the death of a participant resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities and . . . no participant nor any participant's representative shall have any claim against . . . any equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or any other person for injury, loss, damage, or death of the participant resulting from any of the inherent risks of equine activities."

By signing below, I hereby swear or affirm the following: that the information I have provided herein is true and correct; that, if there are any substantive changes in the information I have provided, I agree to promptly advise the Club of those changes; I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the Caloosa Saddle Club which appear on the opposite side of this application; and I agree to abide by those rules.

Signature	Date	Signature	Date
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Club year begins in August and runs through July of the following year. Mail to the Club Treasurer: Kathy Cross at 17400 Nalle Road, North Fort Myers, FL 33917

## Equine Activity Sponsor Release

Know all men by these presents, that \_\_\_\_\_ who resides at \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as "Participant") desires to engage in and hereby does engage in the following equine activity, to wit: Caloosa Saddle Club trail rides and activities at various locations.

For and in consideration of the above activities, services, and entry fees paid, receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Participant hereby does forever and finally release, remise, acquit, satisfy and foreverly discharge the Equine Activity Sponsor of and from all manner of action and actions, cause and causes of action, suit, debts, dues, sums of money, bonds, billings, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, damages, variances, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or in equity, which may rise or might in the future arise or herein after may arise for or against the Equine Activity Sponsor for the activities stated above.

This document is meant to be a full and complete release from any and all liability that may arise from participating in the above described equine activity. This release is given freely and voluntarily by the Participant and is meant to remain in existence throughout the duration of the equine activity.

**WARNING:** Under Florida law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_\_\_\_

Participant

Acceptance of equine activity sponsor

Legal Guardian (if participant is a minor child)

## Caloosa Saddle Club Rules and Regulations

1. Due to strict insurance regulations, you must be a current Caloosa Saddle Club member with an active membership to participate in any club functions.
2. All children must be 8 years of age to be club members and must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all club functions.
3. For the safety of all horses and riders, club trail rides are to be done at a walking speed only; no cantering allowed.
4. No stallions allowed at any club functions.
5. No riding double or bareback.
6. No dogs allowed at any club functions.
7. The ride time stated in your newsletter is the time the ride starts- that means in the saddle, ready to go.
8. Do not ride away while riders are still on the ground. Their horses may become impatient and difficult to control.
9. When riding into or out of a group, do so in a manner which will not excite or startle the other horses.
10. If you know your horse kicks, tie a red ribbon on his/her tail to alert anyone riding behind you. As a precautionary measure, we should all assume that every horse may kick, and ride a safe distance behind the horse in front of you.
11. If your horse is giving you trouble, move away from the group to avoid involving others and to prevent accidents.
12. Watch for dangerous objects (wire, poles, broken glass, etc.). Let those behind you know about them. It is important to pass the information along to those behind you so that everyone is aware of the potential danger.
13. Lift overhanging branches instead of pushing them aside so they won't snap back and strike the rider behind you.
14. Be respectful of the property on which you are riding. Leave gates as you find them; don't litter (leave nothing behind but your horse's hoof prints), and don't chase the cows.
15. If you smoke, be extremely careful of your ashes and butts. Be absolutely sure no live ashes hit the ground. Please do not throw your butts on the ground. Put them in your pocket.
16. When crossing obstacles or navigating small, close areas, be sure to allow space and time for each horse to get through before the next rider goes.
17. If a horse and rider have trouble keeping up, never leave them alone. Someone should stay behind with them and let the trail boss know.
18. When riding on a road, ride facing the traffic. Everyone should be on the same side of the road and ride single file.
19. No alcoholic beverages allowed on trail rides or at any government managed/owned (state, county, etc.) parks.
20. Remember the golden rule and use your "horse sense."
21. If the trail boss brings to the attention of a member that they are in violation of a Caloosa Saddle Club rule, that member must immediately comply with the instructions of the trail boss, and must cease the behavior or activity which is in violation of the rule(s). Failure or refusal to comply with all of the above rules and regulations can result in an individual being asked to leave a club function. If the trail boss deems it necessary to request that a member leave a Caloosa Saddle Club event, the decision of the trail boss is final and must be accepted by that member.
22. In the event of repeated violations, or a single violation which is deemed to be egregious, an individual's membership to the Caloosa Saddle Club can be revoked at the discretion of the club officers. Any such decision would be made upon the majority vote of the current club officers. If any such membership revocation occurs, the offending member is not entitled to a refund of their membership dues or any portion thereof.

By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the Caloosa Saddle Club, and I agree to abide by those rules at all club functions.

Signature

Date

Print name