



Eagle Mountain Ranch & Arabians Training and Boarding

(Going to the show with Eagle Mountain Arabians)

What is to be expected from trainer(s) and groom(s):

Eagle Mountain Arabians will pack daily equipment including lunge lines, whips, work bridles, pads and work saddles.

All show tack owned by clients will need to be packed by client or left for Eagle Mountain staff to pack. All equipment must be brought to the barn 24 hours prior to the show. All tack packed by client must be CLEAN and inspected by Eagle Mountain Arabians (Kim) before it is placed into trailer. Make sure all tack is in working order and you have what you need.

The show horses will be clipped, bathed and prepared for departure before leaving for the show by Eagle Mountain Staff. All cleaning, bathing, horse make-up, show supplies, etc. will be provided by Eagle Mountain Arabians.

When arriving at the show, Eagle Mountain Staff will unload and care for each horse at the show. Each horse will be attended to in the order of horses to be shown and exercised. Trainers will pre-arrange ride times for each client to ride their horse at the show.

Questions and explanations will be discussed after the class is over by one of the trainers who saw the class. If interested in learning about movement, conformation, discipline, or any other concerns before show season starts please feel free to set up a lesson. Remember it is the judge's opinion; what they see inside the ring is completely different than what is seen outside the ring. I am more than happy to speak with you at the show about your child's placing in a class, just ask.

Eagle Mountain Staff will prepare your horse(s) before each class. Please make sure your equipment is marked with your horse's name in permanent pen for pads and anything else fabric. ID plates for bridles, breast collars and saddles. Horses will be ready five classes before your class. Riders will handle/ride in two to three classes before their class goes in. The staff will attend to each horse and rider before and after their classes along with owner. Or as needed.

After each horse has been cared for, exercised, groomed and shown, etc. Eagle Mountain trainers may leave the show grounds, since their job is complete.

What's to be expected from clients?

Before leaving for a show each client will be billed one-month prior for his or her entry show fees. I suggest all clients read from front to back of each premium because some show grounds have different rules. USEF/AHA rules may change throughout the year. Clients/Riders must know the rules for the division they are participating in.

To request and/or purchase these books contact Arabians Horse Registry (AHA) 303-696-4500 for AHA Handbook. United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) 859-258-2472 for USEF Handbook.

You must have a competition card for both Arabian Horse Association and United States Equestrian Federation. You will fill out an application at www.arabianhorses.org and www.usef.org. Please fill out the Amateur or Youth competition applications. When you become an AHA member you need to become a club member for the state you are in. Please choose the Daffodil Arabian Club.

Clients are responsible for purchasing their show clothes in the discipline in which they are riding. Please check with Kim or Alberto prior to purchasing clothes, tack, etc... Purchasing these items, especially tack, takes time. Please start looking several months before show season starts. Typically, our first show is late March. Each client needs his or her own saddles, bridles, halters, girths, etc.... prior to show season.

For the shows, each horse must have a black rope halter and lead, Eagle Mountains Arabians show blanket, black sleazy and nylon sheet. Please make sure names are on gold tags for everything. Embroidery work with horse's name/logo will be put on blankets. Contact Kim with inquiries.

All clients work tack will be reviewed with trainers prior to departing, to establish what items will be going to the show. Clients are responsible to bring helmets, boots and anything else they feel they might need, within reason, to show.

Clients do not have to attend departure day from the barn or the show. If you'd like to help the last day of tear down that would be great but please do not feel you are expected to do so.

When Show Day Is Here:

Parents are responsible for the care of their child. It takes a team to be successful, so please be involved and do not wait for the last minute.

Arrive one hour before your class and be ready for your class. Wear sweats and jacket over show clothes to keep them clean. The day before you show check with Kim for show day exact arrival time.

Please make sure your hair is in a bun. Place a hair net over top. The more gel and hair spray, the better. No loose hairs. Please eat a good breakfast. There is to be absolutely **NO SUGAR** of any sort during the show. Please eat healthy for you and your horse's benefit and drink lots of water.

The most important thing is to keep a positive attitude and do not make excuses. This is a lot of fun if everyone allows it to be. Judges can only judge what they see in front of them at that time.

If you are not showing and you'd like to stay at the show, we highly encourage you to visit the show office and purchase a program. Pick several classes and watch them. It really helps to follow the program. When watching the classes, fill in placing or practice placing horses and/or riders from first to last place. In between classes give open comments to each other or write them down for practice.

Everyone is free to do what he/she wants just as long as they are back and ready for ride time and their classes. Please enjoy the show and keep yourselves nourished and hydrated. Please get lots of sleep. Leave your daily worries at your vehicle. Walk in with a clean mind.

If you have questions, please ask the instructors. We cannot help if we do not know what is going on. I also HIGHLY recommend videotaping the classes. Most of time if you watch yourself you can see what you need to work on and what went well. Please remember due to great technology most of you can video right off your phone. It really helps the rider in more than one way! May help the parent or spouse too!

One other idea, many of you may enjoy volunteering at the show. Most shows are looking for folks who will help pass out ribbons, clean up and organize etc. This truly is a great way to be a part of the show when you have time.

Some key things to remember is to practice as much as you can. Try your very best at home as well as at the show. The key is to understand what your goals are and what you are trying to achieve with your personal happiness and success. The pathway to each ones success is a journey. It does not come easy and is steps of personal achievements that you have set for yourself. You may feel like it's your turn or can I really do this? Look deep in your heart and ask yourself why you first started this journey in the first place? Was it to build confidence? Experience competing and riding with others? Personal goals of desired success? As time goes on don't let yourself get so wrapped up in the ribbons, fancy clothes or any other silly reason besides the love for one of the best creatures on the planet an Arabian Beauty! Alberto and Kim and crew have the same love for these horses as you did when you walked into Eagle Mtn Ranch. Share your feelings, concerns and excitement. Because we are here to laugh, cry and be excited for your time in the arena. Be confident, trust yourself and know the rules of the arena and use it wisely.

Sincerely,

Alberto, Kim and all the loving staff at Eagle Mtn