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| **Application for Licence to keep a Riding Establishment** | A4 DAERA Logo process.png |
| **Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011****Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 (as amended)****Riding Establishment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980** |

**N.B. Guidance packs on requirements are available on request from your local DAERA Direct Office**

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| 1 | **Applicant Details** |
|  | Full name of applicant*(State Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms etc)* |  |
| Enter date of birth to confirm over 18 years |  |
| Private address*(or if a Body corporate, name of body and address of Registered Office)* |  |
| Telephone number |  |
| Email address |  |
| 2 | **Establishment Details** |
|  | Business name |  |
| Riding Establishment address*(if different from address at 2 above)* |  |
| Is the establishment operative throughout the year? If not state period when normally operative |  |
| Name and address of person having direct control or management of the establishment *(if different from 1 above)* |  |
| Enter date of birth to confirm over 18 years |  |

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| 3 | **Qualifications & Experience** |
|  | Please provide details of any professional certificate or qualifications held by the people named at 1 and 2 above. If none held, please provide details of experience in the management of horses.*(continue on a separate sheet if necessary)* |
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| **Is a responsible person living on the premises? If not what are the arrangements in the case of an emergency?** |
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| Have you read the Owner’s Guide for Riding Establishments? | YES | NO |
| 4 | **Offences & Convictions** |
|  | Circle YES or NO to the following questions:-Are you or any other person who will have control or management of the establishment currently disqualified from:- |
| 1. Keeping a riding establishment?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Keeping a pet shop?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Having the custody of animals?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Keeping a boarding establishment for animals?
 | YES | NO |
| Has the applicant or person in charge ever been convicted of any offence in respect of cruelty to animals? | YES | NO |
| If **YES** provide details: |

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| 5 | **Animal Details** |
|  | Provide the name and address of your usual veterinary surgeon / practitioner |  |
| How many horses is the establishment expected to keep in accordance with the terms of the Act during the year? *(see General Conditions note 3)* |  |
| 6 | **Insurance** |
|  | Are you insured against liability for injury etc sustained by persons riding horses hired by you? If so, please state the scope of your insurance cover. |  |
| 7 | **Declaration and signature** |
|  | I enclose the annual licence fee of £75.00 and the certificate(s) referred to at item 3 above (if applicable). I also enclose the policy or other evidence of insurance referred to at item 6.**I / We** do hereby certify that to the best of **my / our** knowledge the above particulars are true.¨ DAERA reserve the right to publish your business name if your licence application is successful. If you would prefer to opt out of this, please tick here. |
| **Signature** |  | **Date** |  |
| If signing on behalf of a Body Corporate, state position held |  |

**Information and guidance**

Provisions of the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1972, the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Riding Establishment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 cover the application of a riding establishment and the welfare of animals therein. This legislation may be accessed online. For any further guidance on the relevant legislation please contact your local DAERA Direct Office.

**When complete, please return this form to your local DAERA Direct Office**

Note

All parts of the premises to be used for the purpose of riding establishment activities must be identified to the Inspecting Veterinary Officer.

**General Conditions**

1. A licence may be granted to an individual over eighteen years or a body corporate. It will be a condition of any licence granted that the carrying on of the business of a riding establishment shall at no time be left in the charge of any person under the age of 16 years of age.
2. It will be a condition of any licence granted that no horse will be let out on hire for riding or used for providing instructions in riding without supervision by a responsible person of the age of 16 years or over unless (in the case of a horse let out for hire for riding) the holder of the licence is satisfied that the hirer of the horses is competent to ride without supervision.

3. (i) "Horses" include any mare, gelding, pony, foal, colt, filly or stallion and also

 any ass, mule or jennet.

(ii) The Act regulates riding establishments which means any premises where horses are kept for the purpose of their being let out on hire for riding or their being used in providing, in return for payment, instruction in riding.

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