



RIDING ACADEMY LESSON FEES & POLICIES

LESSON ONLY RATES & PACKAGES

Lessons Offered	Monthly lessons where there are 4 riding days per month	Monthly lessons where there are 5 riding days per month
GROUP Lessons Regular payment	\$240 +HST	\$300 +HST
Semi-Private Lessons Regular payment	\$280 +HST	\$350 +HST
Private Lessons Regular payment	\$300 +HST	\$375 +HST
Assessment	30 minutes	\$75.00 + HST

Note: Lesson packages are non-refundable and non-transferable.

SCHEDULING

To ensure we have properly scheduled lessons and accurate billing practices (which benefits everyone) blocks of 4 or 5 lessons are scheduled and billed on a monthly basis beginning the first day of each calendar month. **Payment is due on the 1st of the month before each monthly lesson block.** Clients participating in the riding program are automatically enrolled into sequential monthly lessons unless cancellation notice is provided. Cancellation notice must be provided in writing by the 15th day of the month preceding your lessons. For example, if you wish to cancel lessons for the month of May, notice must be provided by April 15th.

All prices are per rider and do not include HST. Prices are subject to change with 30 days notice.

ASSISTANCE WITH TACK UP

If you would like staff to tack up your horse for you we can provide this service for an additional \$10.00 a lesson – please let us know if you wish this service. **NOTE:** this does not apply to riders who are just learning to ride or who physically require assistance with their tack.

ASSESSMENT LESSONS

Riders looking to join our lesson program will be asked to complete an initial assessment lesson. During the assessment lesson, we will watch you groom, tack up and ride so that we can assess your level of ability and horsemanship. For beginners we will have staff assist in this process. This assessment will help our staff to assign the right coach, group and horse for your needs.

Here's how it works...

1. Book and pay for a private assessment lesson. This will give you an opportunity to visit the Riding Academy, familiarize yourself with the farm, and meet the horses.
2. Have your lesson.
3. Receive feedback about your riding and discuss and determine a lesson time that suits your level and schedule.
4. Assessments take a full hour and are by appointment only, please contact us for details and to schedule.

Lesson Options:

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are ½ hour (30 minutes) long and are available to all students but are ideal for beginners as the one-on-one instruction ensures that the rider gets the attention they need during this critical time of learning. Private lessons are offered at off-peak times.

SEMI PRIVATE LESSONS

Semi private lessons are forty minutes long and are available to students where there is a need to provide a focused riding environment. Semi-Private lessons are ideal for novice or more experienced riders. There are a maximum of 2 riders in a group lesson. This ensures that riders get the attention they need, time to practice their skills in an interactive group and to learn from other students.

GROUP LESSONS

Group lessons are 55 minutes long and are available to all students. Groups are ideal for novice through advanced riders. There are a maximum of 5 riders in a group lesson. This ensures that riders get the attention they need, time to practice their skills in an interactive group and to learn from other students.

FOR INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED STUDENTS

Students with more experience are welcome to join the lesson program in group or private lessons. These students are encouraged to explore other riding opportunities offered through our Academy part-board or leasing program, or progress through to the Meadows Show Facility.

Lessons are offered throughout the year, seven (7) days a week, and are taught by instructors who are certified through the Ontario Equestrian Federation. Lessons take place in a fun and safe atmosphere in our indoor arena, or if appropriate, in our outdoor ring. Instruction is available in English riding on our selected Academy horses and ponies, or on your own or part-board horse. The Meadows reserves the right to assign students to appropriate groups, horses and/or coaches.

PAYMENT

Payment is preferred by cheque or email transfer and is due on the 1st of the month preceding lessons. Please note that we are an authorized VISA merchant and can accept credit cards. **Please ensure that the riders name is referenced on your payment.** Our Controller Krystal Lee is in the office Monday- Friday from 7:00am – 4:00pm and can be reached at 905-841-9879 x 303 or at finance@themeadowsequine.ca. Interest on overdue accounts is 2.5% interest per month. NSF cheques will be charged \$45.00. **Cash payments for lessons are not permitted.**

ARRIVAL TIME

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of the lesson to sign in and then to groom and tack up your horse. Those who are late for tacking up may lose some of their riding lesson time. It is the rider's responsibility to have their horse ready and prepared for their lesson before the lesson time starts. Riders who need help with tacking or untacking will receive help from the coach or staff as part of their lesson time.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If you are unable to make your lesson due to illness or unforeseen circumstances, **we require at least 24 hours notice.** With this notice we will work with you to book a make-up lesson in an existing group. The make-up lesson must be taken in the month as the missed lesson and is limited to one make-up per month. **Students who do not notify the Meadows 24 hours in advance of their absence will forfeit their payment and will not receive a make-up lesson.** Please notify us by phone 905-841-9879 x303 or preferably by email or text to your coach (contact information is posted on the notice board at the facility). Please note - Clients participating in the riding program are automatically enrolled into sequential monthly lessons unless cancellation notice is provided. Cancellation notice must be provided in writing by the 15th day of the month preceding your lessons. For example, if you wish to cancel lessons for the month of May, notice must be provided by April 15th.

MAKE UP LESSONS

Scheduling make-up lessons is each Student's/Boarder's responsibility. Please schedule make up Classes directly with your coach as soon as possible after a canceled lesson. While we try to accommodate everyone, availability of make-up Classes is not guaranteed.