



# Te Atatu Pony Club Application for Grazing

## Grazing Terms and Conditions

*Please keep a copy of the Grazing Terms & Conditions for your records*

Applications for grazing from returning members must be in writing and submitted to [teatatupony@gmail.com](mailto:teatatupony@gmail.com) before the start of each new season. These will be reviewed and approved/declined by the Executive Committee based on the following:

- 80% of committee meetings attended by family
- 80% of available rallies attended by rider
- working bee obligation fulfilled

Should your application for grazing be declined, Te Atatu Pony Club will allow you one calendar month for you to find suitable grazing.

Applications from new members will be discussed and approved at the Te Atatu Pony Club Committee Meeting following their submission.

**Members Grazing Fees are currently \$110 per month and are to be paid on the 1st of each month (or at a frequency agreed with the Treasurer).**

By applying for Grazing you agree to the following conditions:

- 1) There will be a maximum of one horse or pony per riding member allowed. Any variance to this may be at the discretion of the Executive Team and the Grazing Manager.
- 2) At times when the club has adult grazers, applications from members aged under 25 have priority for grazing. Adults may be asked to relocate if grazing space is needed for a member under 25.
- 3) Horses must be checked by owner a minimum of four times a week. Owner is expected to make arrangements with other members for checking of their horse to accommodate holidays or other periods of short term unavailability.
- 4) All grazers must notify the Grazing Manager when the horse will be removed overnight or longer.
- 5) Grazers' horses must be placed where the Grazing Manager directs.
- 6) Grazers' must be available to move their horses when requested or make arrangements with other members on occasion only for doing so
- 7) Horses must be penned or moved to the allocated paddock on Rally nights if not being ridden.
- 8) Grazers are not allowed to change paddocks, or put up pens, at their own discretion.
- 9) Grazers are to check paddocks, fences and check and clean the water troughs as directed by the Grazing Manger and report immediately any damaged fences, troughs or other equipment to the Grazing Manager and committee members associated with grounds & property maintenance.
- 10) The removal of dung shall be done as and when requested. Grazers that have completed their quad bike training and assessment, must assist with harrowing paddocks as directed by the Grazing Manager.
- 11) Grazing is provided over the pony club season (Oct - April) under this application. In winter months you may be asked to find grazing elsewhere as the grounds cannot support as many horses as over the summer months. The grazing manager will be responsible for advising when grazing numbers need to reduce and by how many. After any voluntary relocations have been advised any additional relocations required will be made on a last on, first off basis. You will be given 4 weeks notice to find alternate grazing over winter if requested.
- 12) Winter grazers may be required to pay for hay during the winter months. Hay costs will be agreed at Committee Meetings and advised to all grazers.
- 13) "GROUNDS CLOSED" sign or notification is to be adhered to at all times. We ask that you exercise your discretion when using the grounds and that you refrain from driving vehicles, jumping horses, lunging and or riding in general when conditions are adverse due to weather.
- 14) All horses grazing on Club grounds are to be wormed/drenched as directed by the Grazing Manager. This may involve prior testing for fecal egg counts (FEC). Cost of worming and any prior testing will be at the cost of the grazer.
- 15) With the exceptions of: catching and moving a horse to new grazing, to prevent it being left alone if distressed, or to address a health and safety issue, no person may interfere with any other grazers' horse/s on Club grounds except with permission of the owner. All members are expected to alert a horse's owner promptly if their horse is injured or distressed. If the owner is not reachable, contact the Executive Committee.



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- 16) In cases of emergency a vet may be summoned by any member of the committee after consultation with the Grazing Manager. Every effort will be made to contact the grazer first. These costs are the sole responsibility of the grazer. All grazers are responsible for ensuring their mobile phone numbers are known by the committee.
- 17) The health and wellbeing of horses is the owners' responsibility.
- 18) The costs associated with damage to or death of a horse is the owner's responsibility. While the club is not liable, the Executive Team has discretionary rights to assist in cases of hardship. This will be considered on a case by case basis.
- 19) Horses under four years of age, stallions, rigs or mares with foals or in foal may not be grazed on Pony Club grounds.
- 20) Concerns about a horse's behaviour being persistently troublesome or dangerous towards other horses and / or members must be given to the Executive Committee and Grazing Manager. They will address these concerns promptly with the horse's owner and if necessary will give four week's notice of termination of the grazing arrangement. The horse will be re-paddocked as directed by the Grazing Manager until such time it can be relocated off the grounds.
- 21) Support, friendliness and respect for other members are expected at all times. Negative unfriendly and anti social behaviour will not be tolerated. All members must abide by the NZPCA Code of Conduct.

Declaration			
I have read and understood these grazing terms and conditions.			
Name:			
Signed: (Person 18 and over, responsible for horse)		Date:	