



**Four Star Farm Full-Training Contract**

Welcome to the Four Star Farm LLC (“Four Star Farm”) full-training program, a comprehensive program that Natalie coordinates to provide you with the optimal combination of services as detailed in this contract between

\_\_\_\_\_ (client) and Natalie Brady, owner and trainer of Four Star Farm.

**Horse Description**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Color and distinctive markings \_\_\_\_\_

Is the horse registered? Yes No

Behavioral issues (cribbing, weaving, biting, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Health Information (past history of colic, acute or chronic soundness issues) \_\_\_\_\_

Training Goals \_\_\_\_\_

Competition Goals \_\_\_\_\_

**Initial Assessment**

Natalie assesses rider and horse to make tack fit, nutrition, training and conditioning recommendations.

## **Veterinary Care**

If a horse's owner consents to using Dr. David Valcheck, Four Star Farm's choice, Four Star Farm takes care of routine veterinary care, such as meeting Dr. Valcheck for appointments, vaccinations, cleaning wounds, administering drugs, changing wraps.

In a veterinary emergency, Natalie may be available for the initial visit and be involved in follow-up treatment. Around-the-clock or after-hours care is the owner's responsibility. We will keep on file an advanced directive for your horse, indicating whether it's a candidate for surgery and granting permission for emergency care in the event we cannot contact you.

## **Farrier**

Four Star Farm will coordinate farrier visits for trims and shoeing if a horse owner consents to using Four Star Farm's farrier.

## **Training and Lessons**

Full training is an agreed-on combination of training rides and lessons that fulfill realistic riding and showing goals tailored to the rider and horse. Lessons are not necessarily private. Owners are responsible for grooming and tacking up their horse in preparation for a lesson. Because full-training is a program, rather than a set number of lessons or rides per week, make-up lessons or rides are not scheduled. Full training includes four rides and/or lessons a week for most weeks. Holidays and shows will affect this schedule.

The rider assessment and rider goals guide recommendations for the training program. Lessons may be with Debbie, Helen or Natalie. Natalie teaches the majority of lessons for full-training clients. Debbie and Helebn help riders develop a strong foundation of skills and knowledge that enable riders to transition to lessons with Natalie and successful showing.

## **Showing**

Natalie will provide guidance for keeping your horse show ready, covering grooming tips, conditioning and nutrition.

When you enter a show, if you do not own a trailer, you are expected to trailer with Natalie. Please check with her prior to entering a show regarding trailering and coaching fees, which are additional to full training tuition. By trailering with Natalie, your horse is covered by her insurance policy while traveling. At USEA-recognized shows, you are covered by USEA's insurance. (Four Star Farm recommends purchasing additional major mortality and major medical insurance that covers your horse outside of shows.)

Because group housing and other arrangements for USEA-recognized shows depend on the number of riders showing, and last-minute cancellations cause expense complications, you will be charged a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per show entered. This fee will be applied to the coaching and trailering fees for the show.

## **Boarding at Valley Dressage**

Please contact Valley Dressage owner Gail Strange to arrange for boarding at Valley Dressage. (Full training does not include boarding costs.) The monthly boarding fee is payable to Valley Dressage.

Blanketing is run by Valley Dressage and the associated fee is payable to Valley. Please talk with Valley Dressage owner Gail Strange to arrange this service.

Natalie will recommend any needed supplements for your horse, and the Valley Dressage staff handle feeding supplements with the daily ration of Stable Mix and any other grain your horse is being fed.

**Selling a Horse**

When placing a horse for sale with Natalie, a 10 percent commission is charged on the sale price. Marketing costs are billed to the horse owner. A show record is very helpful when selling a horse.

**Communication**

Please text or call Natalie, 707-312-1119, during weekday business hours (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.), unless it is a veterinary emergency. Outside of business hours and on weekends, please email, natalie@fourstarfarm.com.

**Payment**

We are pleased to provide you with a program that is discounted compared to paying for lessons and training separately. To prevent your incurring late fees, payment for full training of \$960/month\*, is through auto-payment on the 1st through 5<sup>th</sup> days of the month. (You choose the date.) Using electronic funds transfer (EFT), from a bank account, is preferred. Clients who choose not to use EFT will be charged an additional \$10/month.

A 30-day notice is required for any changes in full training.

Thank you!

I have read and understand the conditions of entering full training with Four Star Farm.

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Client Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Client Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Natalie Brady, Trainer

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Trainer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*Full training rates may change with 30 days' notice.