

The Ranger Foundation, Inc.
Greenbriar Farm
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Ranger Foundation Safety/Courtesy Rules

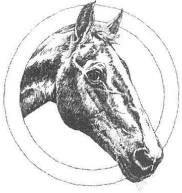
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Although the Ranger horses are quiet horses, it is always important to take safety precautions whenever working around large animals on a farm. It must be remembered at all times that we are here for the horses, and that our job is to provide them with quality care.

The following guidelines will help assure you have a pleasant and safe volunteer experience at The Ranger Foundation.

Please:

- 1) Wear shoes and clothing appropriate to the work and the weather. Sturdy shoes are a must around horses.
- 2) Be alert in the bams and fields and keep an eye on the horses' behavior and what your fellow volunteers are doing. Be aware that horses are particularly spooky on windy days.
- 3) Learn about the horses and their personalities, what they like and don't like, and who their equine friends are.
- 4) Ask your supervisor before feeding treats. Don't go into fields and among a group of horses with treats until you have been instructed about when that is appropriate and how best to do it safely.
- 5) If you arrive ahead of your supervisor, remain near your car or sit at the picnic table and wait for the supervisor to arrive.
- 6) No smoking in the bam.
- 7) Don't climb on gates and fences unless in an emergency situation.
- 8) No one is allowed in the hayloft without permission from the supervisor. Children must be accompanied by an adult when in hayloft.
- 9) No children under 13 years of age may volunteer. Children must have both parents' signatures on liability form. *Don't* bring unregistered volunteers with you.



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- 10) Ranger is not a riding barn. Under very limited circumstances an occasional sponsor might ride a horse. At that time, helmets and proper footwear are required.
- 11) Do not drink from hoses. Bottled water is available in the tack room.
- 12) Do not leave ANYTHING on the electrical baseboard heating unit in tack room.
- 13) Greenbriar Farm horses are not Ranger Horses and are not to be worked with at anytime.
- 14) If using the 4-Wheeler for Ranger work, a helmet must be worn.
- 15) Do not bring your personal problems to Ranger.
- 16) Be courteous and patient with newcomers and children. Children be courteous to your supervisor and to other adults. Rude behavior will not be tolerated.
- 17) Help with fundraising projects when asked to do so.
- 18) Respond to the volunteer coordinators requests about signing up for volunteer hours.
- 19) Put everything away that you used during a session.
- 20) Do not come to the farm at off times. When sponsors of horses have developed extensive knowledge of Ranger and its horses, special written permission will be given by the Board of Directors for the sponsor to visit their horse at times other than the regular Ranger volunteer session hours.
- 21) It is your responsibility to alert your supervisor to any restrictions you might have to certain types of work (i.e., allergies to hay).
- 22) We maintain a waiting list, so please attend a minimum of two volunteer sessions a month to keep your place on the volunteer roster.

Thank you for your consideration: The Board of directors, The Ranger Foundation, Inc.