



## Leone Equestrian Law LLC

**Q: I have the opportunity to host a top international show jumper for a clinic at my barn, and I'd love to make the clinic available to any outside riders or auditors interested in participating. I've never hosted a clinic before; is there anything that I should be aware of to ensure that it goes smoothly?**



**A:** Hosting a clinic can be a great opportunity to learn from someone new and to hopefully make a bit of income for yourself as well! However, it's important to be well-organized and prepared.

**The Clinician** – While it sounds like in your case you already have a specific clinician planned, if you do not, it can be important to do your homework on what clinician you'd like to bring in. Is what he or she teaches in line with your own program? Is he or she the right fit for the level of riders that you are trying to attract? Will it benefit participants?

## HOSTING A CLINIC? WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

TIPS ON CLINICIANS, LIABILITY, FINANCES & THE DAY OF  
FROM LEONE EQUESTRIAN LAW

**Liability** – Once you have the clinician and date picked out, it's important to make sure that your bases are covered legally.

If your clinician is training or giving clinics regularly, they should already have their own **liability insurance**; however, it's important to confirm this with the clinician well before the clinic date.

Since you are hosting the clinic at your own property, if you have boarders there now, you should hopefully already have the proper commercial liability insurance in place, but if for some reason you do not, it's also vital that you have your own liability coverage. You should also contact your insurance provider before the clinic to make certain that your policy covers this activity.

Additionally, you will want to have all participants sign a **liability waiver for you and your business**; the clinician may also require riders to sign liability waivers for her benefit. Almost all states within the U.S. now also have Equine Activity Liability Acts. Make sure the mandated liability **warning signs** are displayed on your property.

In addition to 911, make certain that the contact information for the local EMS ambulance corps and hospital is readily available for you and staff in case of any emergency.

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3 FIRST STEPS FOR:  
**BOARDING HORSES AT HOME**



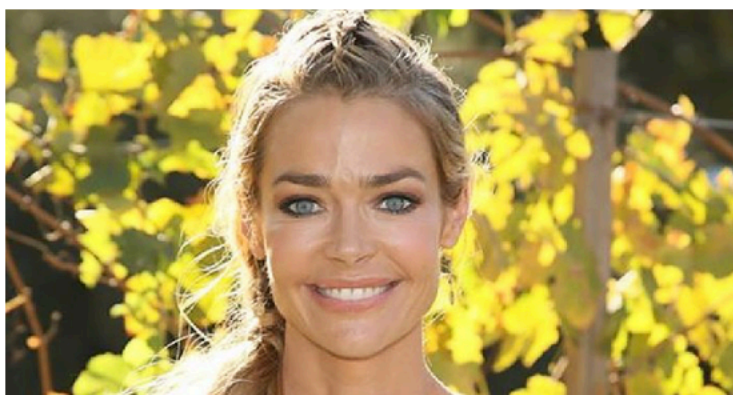
1. Look into your commercial liability insurance options and purchase the appropriate coverage.
2. Prepare both a liability release & a boarding contract.
3. Discuss with a lawyer whether you should set up an LLC or corporation for your boarding venture.



### Tip of the Month

Thinking about boarding horses at home? You'll want to start by looking into liability insurance options, preparing both a liability release and a boarding contract, and discussing with a lawyer whether you should set up an LLC or corporation for your boarding venture!

Read more here!



PEOPLE.COM  
Denise Richards Could Lose Her Horses After She Allegedly Owes Malibu Stable More Than \$47,000

### In the News

Another unfortunate situation, **reported here by People.com**, that will be difficult and costly for both parties to resolve! Prevention and risk mitigation by acting proactively are the best ways to avoid these situations!

Read more about ensuring that you get paid as an equestrian professional here!



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