

# RIDER TRAINING CERTIFICATE



This document is to certify that the above listed rider has attended a basic horsemanship training session, as required by the City of Mobile, to participate in the 2025 Mardi Gras Parading Season. The rider named below has been trained in the following topics and I have personally observed them ride and control a horse following the procedures taught in this course.

## Topics Trained:

- How to recognize signs of stress and injury in a horse.
- How to tell when a horse is agitated and what to do next.
- Fundamentals of riding, including how to control direction, gait, and speed.

**Trainer Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Trainer #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Trainer Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Carry Weight Declaration

**Rider Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **D.O.B.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I am riding in the following parade(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- A. Rider Weight is: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs  
B. Estimated Costume, Throws, and Saddle Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs  
C. Total Weight (Line A + Line B): \_\_\_\_\_ lbs

Line "C" above represents the estimated total weight that the horse I ride may bear. I agree to notify Animal Services and my Vendor (if applicable) if any significant changes in this carry weight declaration changes (+/- 10 lbs) before the parade.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be submitted to Animal Services at least 24 hours prior to the start of a parade that this rider is participating in. The completed form may be emailed to [animalshelter@cityofmobile.org](mailto:animalshelter@cityofmobile.org), or mailed/hand delivered to Animal Services at 855 Owens Street, Mobile, AL 36604.**