

# Wyoming Equine Activity Statute

## WYOMING STATUTES ANNOTATED

### TITLE 1. CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

#### CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO CIVIL ACTIONS

##### **Wyo. Stat. s 1-1-121 (1994)**

s 1-1-121. Recreation Safety Act; short title

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Recreation Safety Act".

##### **Wyo. Stat. s 1-1-122 (1994)**

s 1-1-122 Definitions.

(a) As used in this act:

(i) "Inherent risk" with regard to any sport or recreational opportunity means those dangers or conditions which are characteristic of, intrinsic to, or an integral part of any sport or recreational opportunity;

(ii) "Provider" means any person or governmental entity which for profit or otherwise, offers or conducts a sport or recreational opportunity. This act does not apply to a cause of action based upon the design or manufacture of sport or recreational equipment or products or safety equipment used incidental to or required by the sport or recreational opportunity;

(iii) "Sport or recreational opportunity" means commonly understood sporting activities including baseball, softball, football, soccer, basketball, swimming, hockey, dude ranching, nordic or alpine skiing, mountain climbing, river floating, hunting, fishing, backcountry trips, horseback riding and any other equine activity, snowmobiling and similar recreational opportunities;

(iv) "Equine activity" means:

(A) Equine shows, fairs, competitions, performances or parades that involve any or all breeds of equines;

(B) Any of the equine disciplines;

(C) Equine training or teaching activities, or both;

(D) Boarding equines;

(E) Riding, inspecting or evaluating an equine belonging to another, whether or not the owner has received some monetary consideration or other thing of value for the use of the equine or is permitting a prospective purchaser of the equine to ride, inspect or evaluate the equine;

(F) Rides, trips, hunts or other equine activities of any type however informal or improptu;

(G) Day use rental riding, riding associated with a dude ranch or riding associated with outfitted pack trips; and

(H) Placing or replacing horseshoes on an equine.

(v) Repealed by Laws 1996, ch. 78, s 2.

(vi) "This act" means W.S. 1-1-121 through 1-1-123.

**[[Note: Section 1-1-122(a)(i) and (v) were changed by amendments in 1996.]]**

**Wyo. Stat. s 1-1-123 (1994)**

s 1-1-123. Assumption of risk

(a) Any person who takes part in any sport or recreational opportunity assumes the inherent risk of injury and all legal responsibility for damage, injury or death to himself or other persons or property that results from the inherent risks in that sport or recreational opportunity.

(b) A provider of any sport or recreational opportunity is not required to eliminate, alter or control the inherent risks within the particular sport or recreational opportunity.

(c) Actions based upon negligence of the provider not caused by an inherent risk of the sport or recreational opportunity shall be preserved pursuant to W.S. 1-1-109.

EFFECTIVE DATES. –Laws 1989, ch. 228, @ 2, makes the act effective on June 8, 1989.

Amended in 1996