

DISCLAIMER – Signatures Required to enter

To be signed by **every competition participant**, including each person **who rides with the driver on a carriage** not only during the actual competition, but including **any time from arrival at the competition to departure**.

I (we), the undersigned, acknowledge the inherent risk involved in driving and working around horses (or other equines), which risks include serious bodily injury or death from driving or being in close proximity to horses (or other equines) or being in close proximity to others who are driving or working with horses (or other equines). I (we) further acknowledge that injuries to horse (or other equines) and persons can be the result of normal use of horses (or other equines) in driving. In consideration for the privilege of participating and attending events sponsored by POTOMAC RIVER DRIVING ASSOCIATION, INC. (hereinafter "PRDA"), the undersigned agrees to hold harmless and indemnifies PRDA and further release the Association, its members and officers, from any liability or responsibility for accident, injury, or loss to the undersigned or any property including horses (or other equines) owned by the undersigned, leased or used by the undersigned in these events. Further, the undersigned agrees that any person accompanying the undersigned, including family members or spectators, to any such event shall be covered to the same extent thereof by the undersigned's waiver of liability.

I (we) understand that at this event PRDA may conduct "Safety Inspections" of all turnouts prior to permitting entrants to participate in the event. I (we) understand and acknowledge that this inspection is for purposes of detecting obvious unsafe conditions, but in no way is this inspection intended or represented to constitute a guarantee or assurance of the safety or soundness of my turnout or any turnout participating in this event. I (we) agree to cooperate with the instructions of the Safety Committee and inspection and acknowledge that the safety of my vehicle, equine and guests are my responsibility.

I (we) fully understand that driving horses (or other equines) is a very dangerous activity with many inherent risks including 1) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways which may result in injury to the driver, groom, trainer or handler; 2) the inability to predict the equine's reaction to sound, movement, objects, persons or animals; and, 3) hazards of surface or subsurface conditions and driving over unknown terrain where hazards may be hidden by vegetation or development. I (we) acknowledge that cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, bicycles, farm equipment, mowers, wildlife, livestock, horseback riders and other unsettling encounters could be met on public or private roads and/or properties. I (we) wish to participate in these activities knowing they are dangerous. I (we) accept and assume all risks of injury, including death, to me or my property. In exchange for being permitted to participate in these activities, for myself, my heirs, guardian, and legal representatives, I (we) release, and agree not to make or bring any claim of any kind against PRDA or its directors, officers, members, guests, landowners or persons making their land available for me to drive, or be upon. I (we) also release and agree not to bring any claims of any kind against PRDA for any injury, including death to me or any damage to my property, whether from anyone's negligence or not, arising out of my participation in this dangerous activity of driving or related activities. I (we) also agree that if anyone makes any claims because of any injury to me (including death) or for any damage to my property, I (we) will keep all those released by this agreement free of any damages or costs because of these claims.

This Release and Hold Harmless contains the entire Agreement between the parties to this Agreement and the terms of this Agreement are contractual and not a mere recital. My (our) signature so indicates.

Whip's signature: _____ [parent/ guardian if under 18 yrs of age]	Print name: _____
Groom/navigator/passenger signature: _____	Print name: _____
Groom/navigator/passenger signature: _____	Print name: _____
Groom/navigator/passenger signature: _____	Print name: _____

Permission for minor to Compete – Note: parent/guardian must sign if competitor is under 21 years old as of 12/1/02

I hereby consent to the entry of my child _____ in this Trace Pace and certify that I have read the foregoing representations and statements and that the same may be deemed a part thereof, and hereby accept the responsibility thereunder for the participation of said minor.

Signature of parent or guardian: _____

Birth date of minor: ____/____/____

