

## **Respite Guest Policies**

- 1. Tobacco products are allowed in smoking designated areas only (the patio outside). No smoking, including e-cigarettes or vaping, is allowed inside the guest house or cottage. It is also not allowed in the barn or pastures.
- 2. Alcohol is allowed for respite guests (different from our recovery guests), but for both our reputation as a recovery program and for safety (farm animals, ponds, woods, etc.), no intoxication please.
- 3. Marijuana is not currently legal in Arkansas for recreational use. For those who use medical marijuana in their home states, please be sure to have all relevant documentation for your own protection.
- 4. We have a rule that convicted sexual offenders are not on the farm. If someone has a long-distant prior conviction, we would be open to knowing the details (in confidence) before possibly making an exception.
- 5. Therapy and emotional support animals are allowed but they must be leashed and in the owner's control when outside, especially if it is a dog; and up to date on rabies and parasite prevention. We want to know in advance if a dog is coming for the safety of our farm animals. Also, our male livestock guardian dog pup will not be neutered until September 2024, so we strongly prefer that visiting female dogs are spayed, or that their owner is well-versed in keeping them safe when in heat.
- 6. No discrimination regarding sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, veteran status, race, disability, national origin, religion, etc.
- 7. Because we are in a remote/rural location, we would like to know emergency contact info and any relevant allergy or health information in case of an emergency. This information will be held in strict confidence.
- 8. We will cover farm etiquette things upon arrival, like not feeding the animals anything without our prior approval, not driving the tractor, leaving closed gates closed and open gates open, things like that.

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