Riding To The Top Therapeutic Riding Center Policies and Procedures

## Policy Regarding Retirement/Re-Homing of RTT Program Horses

Riding To The Top is committed to the health and well-being of our horses. In the event that a horse is no longer able to safely work in the program the decision will be made to retire the horse from EAS service.

If retirement at RTT is an option, this will be considered along with the possibility of the horse being able to participate in ground lessons, horse buddy programs, etc. where riding is not required. When retirement on RTT's premises is not possible, or the horse is no longer suitable for EAS, all efforts will be made to place the horse in an appropriate new home, including requirement of references, discussion regarding the horse's history, etc.

In situations where retirement is due to health reasons or an acute situation arises (e.g. colic), consultation with our equine veterinarian will occur to discuss humane management of the horse considering pain and suffering, overall health and condition, potential for recovery, etc. In the event that pain and suffering will likely continue and/or treatment options are not prudent for the horse and/or organization, RTT will consider euthanasia in consultation with our veterinarian and the owner in the event that the horse is free leased to RTT.

The Equine Manager is responsible for determining when a horse needs to be retired and will take a primary role in determining placement for retirees. When an acute situation arises or euthanasia is considered, this decision will be made in conjunction with the Executive Director with appropriate communications to all RTT Stakeholders--our clients, volunteers, donors and staff regarding this decision.

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Revised: 8/16, 3/23

Signature:	Sarah Bromon	Date:	3/15/23
Signature:		Date:_	3/15/23



## Riding To The Top Re-Homing/Adoption Agreement

	is agreement is made between wner), for the horse described below:	(Adopter) and Riding To The Top	
Name:		Breed:	
A	ge:	Sex:	
	vner agrees to transfer ownership of the above de lowing terms:	scribed horse to the Adopter based on the	
1.	<b>Warranties:</b> Owner guarantees that they are the owner of the above described horse and that they have the right to gift said horse and they will defend the horse against any and all lawful claims and demands made by all persons.		
2.	<b>Transfer of Ownership:</b> Owner agrees to transfer all ownership and registration papers (if registered) to Adopter once agreement is signed.		
3.	<b>Laws:</b> The laws of the State of Maine shall govern this agreement. Any acts or practices arising out of this contract will be governed by the provisions of 7 MRSA §4103-A, Liability for Equine Activities (the Act). In the event of a conflict between this contract and the 7 MRSA §4103-A, the 7 MRSA §4103-A shall apply, superseding contrary provisions of this contract. Disputes arising under this contract shall be determined in accordance with the law of the State of Maine.		
4.	First Right of Refusal: It is agreed upon by both to give up ownership that Riding To The Top (Construction Should the Owner decline the First Right of Richard transfer, release or otherwise place the equine organization, the Adopter will provide Owner wanders, and telephone number of any individual possession of the equine. Any future adopter in an addendum to any future transactions regard required to re-sign an agreement with Riding in possession of the equine described above as thereafter is bound to not sell the equine at autoold, transferred, released, or otherwise placed organization that will cause or allow the equine	Owner) will be given First Right of Refusal. efusal and the Adopter elects to sell, into the possession of another person or with the written notification of the name, hal or organization intending to take must agree to the terms of this Agreement as ling the above described equine or will be To The Top. Any individual or organization is of the date of the agreement and any time ection for slaughter or allow the equine to be d into possession of any person or	
5.	Adoption/Rehoming Fee:		
In 'dat	Witness Thereof, the parties here to have signed e:	and sealed this Agreement as of this	

Owner:	
Signature of Riding To The Top Representative	Date
14 Lilac Dr., Windham ME 04062	207-892-2813, X10
Address	Phone
Adopter:	
Signature	Date
Address	Phone