

**Riding To The Top
Therapeutic Riding Center
Policies and Procedures**

Policy Regarding Retirement 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 EAAT 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 EAAT, 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.

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Revised: 8/16

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Riding To The Top Re-Homing/Adoption Agreement

This agreement is made between _____ (Adopter) and Riding To The Top (owner), for the horse described below:

Name:
Age:

Breed:
Sex:

Owner agree to gift and Adopter agrees to take ownership of the above described horse based on the following terms:

- 1. Warranties:** 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. Transfer of Ownership:** Owner agrees to transfer all ownership and registration papers (if registered) to Adopter once agreement is signed.
- 3. Laws:** 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, superceding 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 parties that should the Adopter ever decide to sell or re-home the above described horse, that the Adopter will convey the first right of sale to the Owner. The Adopter will make every reasonable effort to contact the Owner and for the purpose and benefit of this part of the agreement, the Owner will advise the Adopter of their current mailing address, email, or other means of maintaining contact.

In Witness Thereof, the parties here to have signed and sealed this Agreement as of this date: _____.

Owner:

Signature
Date
Representing Riding To The Top; 14 Lilac Dr., Windham ME 04062
Address

Re-Homing Owner:

Signature
Date

Address
Phone