

Refuge Ranch Ministries

Pre-Adoption Application

Your Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Preferred Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please give a brief summary of your prior horse experience:

Where will the horse reside and who will be taking care of the horse (include equine professionals, trainers, veterinarians, farriers etc.) What type of fencing and shelter will be used? What is your current feed regime (how often, types of hay/grain, access to water etc.) Use additional space if needed:

What are your plans with the horse (pasture mate, trail riding, gaming, showing, driving etc):

Please list three references (horse care professionals preferred):

Name: _____ Association: _____

Phone #: _____ Address: _____

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Adoption Contract

Description of Equine

Name: _____ Breed: _____
Color & Markings: _____
Age: _____ Sex: _____

Adopter Information

Name: _____
Location of Equine: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Home Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Email: _____

THIS AGREEMENT is made on this ____ day of _____, 20____ By and between _____, hereinafter referred to as the “adopter” and Refuge Ranch Ministries hereinafter referred to as “the organization.” Adopter agrees to pay the adoption fee of \$_____.

1. Adopter understands and agrees that the equine identified in this contract may not be sold, given away, lent, leased, sold for slaughter or at an auction, removed from Adopter's personal supervision and control or removed from the address described herein, except for emergencies, shows, trail rides and other temporary situations without written approval of the Organization. Should the equine not be at the location as stated herein upon inspection by the Organization representative, Adopter will immediately relinquish any rights or interest Adopter may have in the equine.
2. Adopter agrees to meet the Organizations standards of care for said equine, maintaining good nutritional health, vet care, vaccinations, worming, dental care and hoof care. Said equine should have a minimum of an annual visit from a licensed veterinarian and receive the core vaccinations, dental check and care and worming schedule to be followed that would be recommended at the time of visit. Said equine should always maintain a body condition score of 4-6 and should they fall under/over this score work with a professional to bring said horse back into healthy weight as quickly as possible. Farrier work should be performed a minimum of every 3 months on said horse.
3. Should the Adopter decide that the equine is no longer wanted for any reason, Adopter understands that all potential new owners are to be screened by the Organization and a new contract will be formed with the purchaser.
4. Adopter agrees that an authorized representative of the Organization may enter the

property where the said equine resides during normal business hours and with minimum notice to determine if all conditions of this adoption contract are being complied with completely. Adopter understands that should a violation of any of these terms found in this agreement be found and in the judgment of at least two members of the Board of Directors of the Organization such conditions represent a danger to the health and welfare of the equine, Adopter hereby authorizes a representative at any time and without cause or warrant upon the land where said equine resides and take immediate physical possession of said equine without recourse from Adopter.

5. Adopter further agrees that, Adopter will accept all responsibility for any action or lien resulting from any action, directly or indirectly involving said equine while it is in Adopter's possession and under Adopter's care and control. Therefore, Adopter agrees and understands that neither the Organizations nor its employees or agents will be liable for any damages or injury caused to Adopter or any third person by the equine once Adopter receives delivery of the equine, including but not limited to damages or injuries caused by the fact that the equine does not behave or perform in the manner Adopter expected. Further, if any third person makes a claim against the Organization or any of its employees or agents as a result of any conduct of the equine after Adopter has taken possession of the equine, Adopter agrees to indemnify and hold the Organization, its employees and agent harmless from any such claims, including costs and attorney's fee resulting from such claim.
6. Adopter may personally return the equine to the organization or Adopter may arrange for their return to the Organization by an authorized representative of the Organization if Adopter so desires at anytime during the equines life. In the event of the Adopters death, and if Adopters heirs are unable to maintain the equine, Adopters heirs must also return the equine to the Organization as provided for above.
7. Adopter agrees never to breed the above-described equine for the duration of the equines life. If the equine is bred, the resulting offspring of the equine automatically becomes the property of the Organization and must be returned to the Organization once it is old enough to be weaned.
8. Adopter represents that they have read and agree with all statements and agree to be bound by all conditions contained herein and signed by Adopter.

_____ Date ____ / ____ / ____
Signature of adopters

Printed Name of adopters

This contract is hereby accepted on behalf of the Organization by:
_____ Date ____ / ____ / ____