

JOURNEY HOME EQUINE RESCUE ADOPTION

Criteria/Requirements

- In order to qualify for adopting an equine, you should:
 - a. have already owned an equine, and have appropriate experience with such animals
 - b. board the animal(s) at an approved stable, or maintain the animal(s) on your own property where you reside
 - c. be 18 years of age or over
 - d. preferably live in the State of Wisconsin or Northern Illinois
 - e. other out of state applicants will be considered on a case-by-case basis
- Have a barn or lean-to, safe and proper fencing (board or wire mesh is appropriate - not barbed wire), and adequate water/feed supply (including a way to keep water from freezing in the winter) is required. An on-site visit will be made by a Journey Home representative before an application is approved.
- The adoptive owner(s) must provide the name, phone number and address of their veterinarian, farrier, and person who will care for the animals when the owner is away.
- Periodic checks may be made of adopted animal(s) by a Journey Home representative for the lifetime of the horse.
- Any animal adopted from Journey Home shall not be moved to a new location or leased or loaned to another person without prior approval from Journey Home.
- Journey Home cannot guarantee any animal(s) as to its disposition or training. Animals which come into our custody might be untrained. due to their usually debilitated condition, temperament generally changes with proper care. Journey Home will include with each adoption a complete file on the animal(s), which will explain how the animal came to be on the farm, what veterinary care it received while it was here and what the staff has personally noticed about the animal's disposition and training.
- An interaction between potential adopter and equine must be viewed and approved by a Journey Home representative.

Because certain homes that do not meet our preliminary criteria may qualify to adopt certain animals, please contact the office if you have any question about your eligibility.

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c/o 16 Acres Equestrian Center
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ADOPTION APPLICATION

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ (2nd#)

Age of person whom animal is for: _____

Number of horses/animals owned (include breed/age):

Horse/animal experience:

Amount of Acreage / # of Pastures & Paddocks:

Shelters (please include # of bldg's, types, # of stalls): _____

Type of fencing: _____

Water source: _____

Feed type/storage: _____

Describe horse you wish to adopt: _____

Veterinarian
Name: _____
Phone: _____

Farrier
Name: _____
Phone: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Received: _____

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ADOPTION CONTRACT

"Adopter"

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security No.: _____

"Adopted Equine"

Registered Name: _____

Equine's Name: _____ Number: _____

Type of Equine: _____

Color: _____ Sex: _____ Approximate Age: _____

Body Score Number at the time of Adoption: _____

"Boarding Facility"

Name of Facility: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Contact Person: _____

This CONTRACT is made on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

By and between _____, hereinafter referred to as the "Adopter" and Journey Home Equine Rescue, hereinafter referred to as "the Organization." Adopter agrees to pay the adoption fee of \$_____.

1. Adopter agrees to a trial period of 60 days. This period may be extended, in writing, by mutual agreement of the parties. Adopter is responsible for any and all expenses (including veterinary and hoof care) required during the trial. Any expenses incurred by Adopter during the trial are non-refundable. Transportation of the horse to the trial location or back to the Organization is at the expense of the Adopter. At or before the end of the designated trial period, Adopter may return the equine to the Organization for any reason and the adoption fee will be refunded. Expenses other than the adopted fee incurred by Adopter will not be refunded. If Adopter intends to return the equine to the Organization,

Adopter shall notify the Organization by the last day of the trial period. Following the trial period, no refund of the adoption fee will be available.

2. Adopter understands and agrees that the equine identified in this contract may not be sold, given away, leased, bred, sold for slaughter, removed from Adopter's personal supervision and control. If adopter moves equine from said location described, organization must be notified.

3. Adopter agrees to meet the Organizations standards of care for said equine, including but not limited to, appropriate food, water, shelter, exercise, attention, training, protection, and any medical care necessary for the equine's welfare. The equine should be de-wormed by paste either by a bi-monthly rotation schedule or on an evidence-based schedule determined by biannual fecal results and resulting recommendations from your veterinarian. A veterinarian shall be called for any illness and any serious injury. The equine shall be trimmed or shod by a qualified farrier a minimum of every 6-8 weeks and hooves are to be cleaned regularly. The equine should have access to continual open water regardless of weather. Water troughs and/or containers should be cleaned out regularly. A pond or creek is not acceptable primary source of water. The equine shall receive the required daily feed allowance plus plenty of good quality grass or hay. The equine shall have its teeth checked annually by a veterinarian and floated as needed. The equine shall have at least a 3-sided shed in a paddock to provide shelter from wind and bad weather. A tent/canopy or lean-to is not acceptable shelter. The equine shall have safe and acceptable fencing suitable for the equine and the environment. Under no circumstances should an equine be kept in barbed wire fencing.

4. The equine is to be used for pleasure or competition riding only, and may not be used in or for racing, rental, rodeo, and/or circus productions. Regardless of type of use, Adopter agrees not to work the equine beyond its physical limitations at any time. At no time shall the equine be bred. If upon investigation, the equine was bred intentionally, there will be a fine of \$1500. If breeding was accidental, Adopter has the choice of keeping said foal or surrendering said foal to the Organization at the time of weaning. If the equine is adopted and found to be pregnant and foals, the Adopter has the choice to keep said foal or surrender said foal at the time of weaning.

5. Should the Adopter decide that the equine is no longer wanted for any reason, Adopter understands that the Organization will take back the equine and attempt to place it with another adopter.

6. Adopter agrees that an authorized representative of the Organization may enter the property where the said equine resides during normal business hours and without 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 upon investigation of at least two members of the Board of Directors of the Organization and such conditions represent a danger to the health and welfare of the equine, Adopter hereby authorizes a representative of the Organization to enter the property 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.

7. 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.

8. 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 equine's life. In the event of the Adopters death, Organization must be notified. If the heirs wish to maintain said equine, the contract must be transferred to their name.

