



The Dorset Equine Rescue Inc.

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Thank you for your interest in adopting an equine from The Dorset Equine Rescue Inc. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming abused, neglected and slaughter-bound equines. We provide equine rescue regardless of age or disability. Please be sure to read our Adoption Requirements and Adoption Process both found on our website before submitting your application.

All adoption fees are put back into The Dorset Equine Rescue and help support the current rescue horses at our facility. Once the adoption fee has been set, we will not take less than the offered price. Please keep in mind that we typically invest far more into each horse than what we can adopt a horse for. Fees are based upon the horse's age, abilities and amount of training. The adoption fee is due and must be paid, when adopter is approved and has agreed to adopt said horse(s). We do not accept payment plans.

Please keep in mind that when you are adopting a rescue horse, you are making a commitment for the remainder of its life. Horses that are treated properly can live to be 35 years of age or older. Our goal is to find each rescued horse a compatible and loving forever home.

All adoption applications are reviewed on a first come, first served bases. We have the right to deny your application for any reason. This includes if we feel the horse and adopter are not a good fit, and/or if the requirements are not met. Please fill out the attached Adoption Application and return it as soon as possible. Once we review your application, we will contact you to talk in more detail about the horse(s). If we have a horse that sounds like a good fit for both you and the horse, we will set up a time for you to come and visit. Once a match is made, we will call your references and schedule the barn check. Please contact your veterinarian and give authorization to speak with us as a reference. We appreciate your interest in adopting an equine from The Dorset Equine Rescue and look forward to working with you.

Thank you,

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Adoption Application

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ * Must be 18 years or older to adopt without a parent.

Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Employment Address: _____

Employment Phone Number: _____

Veterinarian's Name: _____

Veterinarian's Phone Number: _____

Farrier Name: _____

Farrier Phone Number: _____

Personal Reference Name: _____ Phone: _____

Have you ever been convicted of Animal Cruelty? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Will the horse to be stabled on your property or boarded out? _____

Number of acres the horse will be pastured on: _____

Total # of horses on this property (including boarders): _____

Are you a current horse owner? Yes No If yes, how many years? _____

How many horses do you currently own? _____

If no, have you owned a horse in the past? _____ For how long? _____

If boarded out, name of stable or boarding facility: _____

Address of boarding facility: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number of boarding facility: _____

Owner of boarding facility: _____

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Is there shelter provided for the horses? _____

Number & size of stalls and/or run-in shed: _____

Amount of time turned out? _____

Are you looking to adopt a riding horse or a retired pasture companion? _____

Please describe what purpose your adopted horse will serve in your lives: _____

Please describe the type of horse you are seeking: _____

What is the horse's name that you are applying to adopt (a current list of our available horses can be found on our website)? _____

Additional Comments: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____