



Adoption Application

Casey's Safe Haven Horse Rescue & Sanctuary

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Adoption Application and Checklist (please read carefully)

1. Adopters must be 18 years of age, be employed, financially and personally stable, have horse experience or a solid plan to learn about horses, the desire for a LIFE LONG companion, a long term plan for the horse, have the quality time to give to your horse, the time/money for the required daily care and have adequate facilities (similar to what the horse is accustomed to).

Potential Co-Applicant is defined as the person over the age 25 who is employed and will be legally, physically and financially responsible for the horse.

Today's Date: _____

Name of the horse you are applying for (if known): _____

How did you hear about us? _____

Adopter's personal information

Adopter's full name _____

Adopter's age: _____ Date of birth _____ (month/day/year)

Full street address: _____

County you reside in: _____ Number of years at this residence _____

Do you own the farm where your horse will reside? _____ If no, where will you be boarding the horse? _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Have you ever been accused of, charged or convicted of a crime, fraud or theft, inhumane treatment of animals, spouse/child abuse or killed a domestic animal? _____ If yes, please describe the offense, the date, location (county, state) and the disposition of the offense.

Adopter's Profession: _____

Employer/Company Name _____

Work Location: _____ Work Phone: _____

Co-Applicant: Fill out when the adopter must depend on a second person's salary to pay household/horse-related bills or when there are 2 people from the same immediate family adopting together.

Co-Applicant's Full Name: _____

Address _____

Co-Applicant's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ (month/date/year)



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2. Horse Owner History (questions should be answered with regards to the adopter has as an adult, while you were the primary care giver and financially responsible for the horse).

Have you ever owned horses?_____ If yes, How many horses have you owned _____

How many horses do you own now? _____

Why are you looking for another horse? _____

How many hours do you spend with the horses you currently own: _____

Would you consider yourself a beginner, intermediate, or advanced rider/handler, and why?

Have you ever sold or given away a horse?_____ If yes, how many_____

Why? _____

How much riding you have done over the last year? _____ Describe what type riding

If there has been a break in your riding or equine training, how long has the break been in years _____



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3. Tell us about the facility where they will live.

Stall Board	Yes	No	If yes, size? _____		
Pasture Board	Yes	No	How many acres _____	How many horses _____	
Run in sheds	Yes	No			
Grass	Yes	No	Dirt/Dry Lot?	Yes	No
Turn-Out if Stall board: How many days/hours outside? Days: _____ Hours in Day: _____					
Turn-Out with horses?	Yes	No	If yes, how many? _____		

4. Adopter and the Adoption Horse

What is the planned use of the animal, be specific please (who, what, when, how often, if competing or showing, describe the competition, level jumping, riding discipline, how often and at what level the primary rider is competing at now)

What is the most important characteristics you are looking for in a horse (color, breed, sex, age, size, temperament, training level, riding discipline)?

How many hours per day will this horse be ridden or worked? _____ (max) per week _____

What is the approximate number of hours you will spend with the horse daily?

_____ (summer) _____ (winter)

Do you have a trainer? Yes No

If yes, trainer's name? _____

Trainers phone number? _____

Describe in detail your planned riding for the adoption horse (length of time, intensity, time of warm up, cool down, walk, trot, canter and hand gallop, jumping or any particular thing you do each time your ride)



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5. Since we are looking for a forever home for our equine, if they are rideable when you adopt them and six months later something happens and they are no longer rideable – what will your plan be for the equine?

6. References: Please print

Vet name: _____ Phone: _____

Farrier name: _____ Phone: _____

Horse-related reference (someone who knows you and your horses, no family please)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Any other additional information that you would like to share:



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Statements of Understanding

1. I have completely read the adoption contract and promise to abide by all clauses, including going to see the adoption horse, riding the horse before adoption, vet checks, giving the horse time to settle in to its new home, payment of the adoption fee, returning the horse, and the annual updates required. I have the required facilities, the desire to **have a life-long companion**, the financial backing, the mental, physical, family stability and the time required to commit to the above tasks for the life of this horse and everything required to keep a horse in good health and provide a good quality of life for the horse. I understand that horses may live between 28-40 years and **this is life-long commitment to this horse.**
2. I understand that there is an adoption fee for all adoptions payable at the time of. I understand that none of the adoption fees are ever reimbursed, even if I decide I can't take the horse or must return the horse, regardless of reason. I understand that Animals adopted from Casey's Safe Haven includes no guarantee regarding training level, soundness, temperament, breeding soundness or general condition. As an Adopter I assume full responsibility for any person injury, property damage or death caused by an Adopted Animal in the Adopter's care, and agree to hold harmless and indemnify Casey's Safe Haven, all persons associated with the program, its heirs or assigns for the horse's training level, soundness, temperament or general condition and for any damage caused by the Adopted Animal. I understand that Casey's Safe Haven and its representatives do not know everything about every horse, regardless of how long the horse has been in the program.
3. I understand it is my responsibility to know my limitations regarding time, money, knowledge and riding ability prior to adopting and I will be truthful and forthright in my preference for an adoption horse. I understand that much of the selection of the horse is related to undefined selling of both the adopter and the horse, much like picking a spouse or mate. You need to meet to see if it clicks.
4. I promise that his application is true and factual and I understand that any false statements can result in immediate removal of all the adoption horses from my facility and can also result in legal action against the adopter in a civil court by Casey's Safe Haven and it's legal representative. I have read and understand the Adoption Contract for Adopters, and agree to abide all rules and regulations of the adoption contract. I understand that if CASEY'S has any questions or there are any discrepancies in my application that CASEY'S may decide to do a formal background check that includes credit, work, residential, farm visits, police check, civil and criminal checks. I understand that any falsification of this application will be considered fraud.
5. I understand that the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be subject to and be construed and interpreted under the laws of the sate of Illinois and Kane County. The parties hereto shall consent to jurisdiction and venue of the court of Illinois for all purposes and for any disputes arising under this Agreement. If for any reason that CASEY'S moves from Illinois, the adopter will accept the jurisdiction of the state and county of which CASEY'S head quarters resides. In the unlikely event that CASEY'S dissolves or closes down, I understand another program will pick up the management of facilitating this contract and tracking the horse for life and that CASEY'S will contact me if this happens. The dissolution of CASEY'S in no way released the adopter or land/facility owner from fulfilling this contract.

Print Full Name of Adopter

Signature

Date

Printed Name of co-applicant, Primary handler/rider

Signature

Date