



Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Association

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Volunteer Application

**** PLEASE KEEP THESE FIRST TWO PAGES AT HOME FOR YOUR REFERENCE****

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Brief Introduction to Hoofbeats TRA:

Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Association is a non-profit organization that was incorporated in 2025. We created Hoofbeats to provide a local riding program tailored to meet the specific needs of individuals with disabilities. We strive to create a safe and fun learning environment for everyone. Without volunteers, we could not provide our service. Thank you for your generous gift of time!

Volunteer Training:

New and returning volunteers must participate in a mandatory orientation session before they are placed into an active schedule. There will be several orientations prior to each session to ensure that instructors, volunteers, riders, and guardians are confident that everyone has the same information.

Volunteer Registration Instructions:

- Please fully complete and return the Volunteer Application to the Hoofbeats TRA office. Or email your completed application to hoofbeatstra@gmail.com.
- If Applicant is a Minor, ensure Parent or Guardian has read and signed the volunteer application.
- If Applicant is of the age of Majority, you are required to complete a 'Police Information Check with Vulnerable Sector' from your local RCMP Detachment Office. See the "Police Information Checks" page of this application for more information.
- Once your PIC has been completed, please email or deliver it with the rest of the application package to Hoofbeats TRA office. You will receive a phone call or e-mail from the Volunteer Coordinator to set up an appointment to review your application.



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POLICE INFORMATION CHECKS (PIC):

PROCEDURE

- PIC must be completed by anyone volunteering who is 18 years or older
 - If Applicant is a Minor, but coming with a person over the age of majority to volunteer together, the adult is required to complete a PIC.
- Option 1: in person, free of charge, takes about 5-7 business days for completion
- Easiest way is to print out the Hoofbeats TRA PIC COVER LETTER (last page of this application package), add date and your name and bring it to your local RCMP office as they have all their applications printed out already. For Princeton they are located at 200 BC-3, Princeton, BC.
 - At the RCMP office, you will be asked to fill out a PIC application and present your identification such as Driver's License, B.C. I.D. etc.
 - When your PIC has been completed, you will be contacted by the RCMP office to retrieve it in person. Please mail or deliver the completed PIC form to Hoofbeats TRA so the Volunteer Coordinator can contact you for scheduling your orientation and volunteering opportunities.

Option 2: online, \$25, takes 1 business day for completion

- Another option is to complete your PIC online through mybackcheck.com for \$25.00.

Hoofbeats TRA accepts PIC result you already have if it is less than 6 months old and includes Vulnerable Sector.



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VOLUNTEER CONTACT INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

Mailing Address: _____ Postal Code _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Primary Ph. #: _____ Alternate Ph. #: _____

Getting To Know You:

How did you hear about Hoofbeats TRA?

Have you been involved in assisting the disabled community before?

Yes: _____ No: _____

Please describe your equestrian experience:

Is there anything you would like us to know? Or consider when placing you in a volunteer position?? I.e. Unable to trot beside a horse with a rider down the long side of the arena.

Hoofbeats TRA AREAS OF INTEREST:

All training is provided for each volunteer task below so even if you don't know how to do it but are interested in learning, please check the box

Please indicate which categories you are interested in volunteering in:

- ☐ Catching, grooming, tacking-up and un-tacking horses for lessons. - 2 hours once a week minimum commitment for an entire 6-12 week session.
- ☐ Leading in lessons. (Suitable for people who have prior horse experience. Must be a minimum of 16 years of age) - 2 hour once a week minimum commitment for an entire 6-12 week session.
- ☐ Side Walker in lessons. (great for people who are new to horses, most of the focus is on the rider) - 2 hour once a week minimum commitment for an entire 6-12 week session.
- ☐ Paddock cleaning and general barnyard maintenance.

AVAILABILITY:

Please each day you are available (start to finish) each week:

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ Tuesday | ☐ Thursday | ☐ Saturday |
| ☐ Wednesday | ☐ Friday | |

Current operating times could be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays

Are you sometimes available on a short notice basis? Yes or No (circle one)

Additional comments



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HEALTH & EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Do you have any medical conditions, allergies or medications that we should be aware of?

(Please Describe):

Consent for Emergency Medical Treatment –Please check one:

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I DO NOT give permission to Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Association to secure medical treatment as deemed necessary by medical staff in case of emergency illness or injury.

Instead, I wish the following procedures to take place:

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I DO give permission to Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Association to secure medical treatment as deemed necessary by medical staff in case of emergency illness or injury.

Volunteer/ Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date: _____

Physician: _____ Ph. # (____) _____

Care Card# _____

If you are under 16, please have a parent or guardian sign below. Meaning that they are supporting your decision to volunteer at HTRA.

Parent/ Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____



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VOLUNTEER STANDARDS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

I, _____ recognize that my role as a volunteer with Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Association will entitle me to certain information about riders which should be treated as confidential. All information given to me by a parent/instructor/rider in relation to a rider will be discussed only with the personnel of Kamloops Therapeutic Riding Association. At no time will I discuss any information about riders with other parents or any other individuals. I recognize that all material and papers pertaining to the rider's care are legal documents, and that all information contained therein is confidential.

Volunteer Name (print): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name - for volunteers under the age of majority

Guardian Name (print): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

PHOTO & SOCIAL MEDIA RELEASE

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I consent to photographs taken of me during my participation in Summer Camp and to publication and use of the photographs by Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Association for promotional, fundraising, advertising and marketing purposes including but not limited to print and social media use.

Volunteer Name (print): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name - for volunteers under the age of majority

Guardian Name (print): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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No, I do not consent.



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Hoofbeats TRA PIC Cover Letter

RCMP Princeton Detachment

Date: _____

Attention: Client Support Services Supervisor

This letter will introduce _____ who will be working as a volunteer with our organization. This volunteer will be working with the vulnerable sector and in this regard will require a Police Information Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening as outlined below:

- Criminal convictions (summary and indictable) from CPIC and/or local databases.
- Outstanding judicial orders, such as charges and warrants, judicial orders, Peace Bonds,
- Probation Orders. As per CPIC policy, information obtained from the Investigative Databank must be confirmed and authorized for release by the contributing agency.
- Absolute discharges, for a period of one year from the date the applicant was found guilty, and conditional discharges, for a period of three years from the date the applicant was found guilty.
- Charges recommended and/or processed by other means such as Diversion or Alternative Measures.
- Dispositions listed in the CPIC Identification Databank or CRII under non-convictions including, but not limited to, withdrawn, dismissed, and cases of not criminally responsible by reason of mental disorder.
- Any additional information recorded in police databases documenting the applicant to have been suspect in an offence (whether or not charged), subject to provincial retention periods specific to the offence type.
- Information from police databases documenting that the applicant has previously exhibited violent, harmful or threatening behavior related to a mental health incident.
- As authorized for release by the minister of Public Safety, all pardoned criminal convictions, including non sex offences, identified as a result of a VS query.

We understand that applicants themselves must collect their results once completed, therefore we appreciate your contacting them when the results are available for retrieval.

Yours truly,

Candace Stark, Executive Director

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