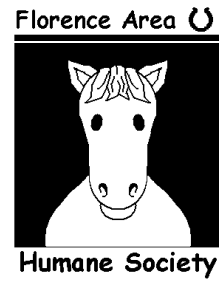




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Equine Adoption Agreement

This Agreement is made as of the day _____ of _____, 20__ between the Florence Area Humane Society (hereinafter referred to as "F.A.H.S.") and _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Caregiver(s)") for _____ (hereinafter referred to as "equine").

I, _____, agree to adopt the equine described below.

Approximate age: _____ Breed (if known): _____

Species: horse / pony / mule / donkey/mini Sex: _____

Color: _____ Markings: _____

Tattoos: _____ Scars: _____

Approximate Height: _____ Approximate Weight: _____

The Caregiver hereby agrees, pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in this Agreement, to provide care for the equine known as _____. All information provided is assumed accurate. If the Caregiver provides false information or violates any of the terms, the adoption agreement can be revoked and made void.

1. F.A.H.S. will provide the Caregiver with any available health records of the equine known to F.A.H.S. at the time of placement. F.A.H.S. makes no claim or guarantees regarding soundness, temperament, or general condition. The Caregiver understands that the equine may have some health limitations due to previous instances of abuse and/or neglect. The Caregiver understands that there may be limitations as to the type of riding appropriate for the equine. Caregiver recognizes and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the equine Donor and F.A.H.S., its heirs or assigns forever, for any damage or injury to property or persons by equine.
2. The Caregiver agrees to care for and maintain the equine in accordance with the F.A.H.S. Horse Care Guidelines that are attached. Such care and maintenance shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following: adequate and proper quantities of wholesome feed; a constant supply of fresh water; regular exercise consistent with the condition of the equine, and any limitations described herein; appropriate hoof care administered by a qualified farrier; veterinary attention, including but not limited to, bi-annual vaccinations for Rabies, EWT, Rhino, Flu, West Nile and any other disease(s) which vaccines may be generally recommended in the State of South Carolina from time to time; and routine preventative treatment against parasites. Equine must maintain a healthy body condition. Flesh and fat should cover the neck, shoulders, spine and rump. If equine under weight at the time of placement, the Caregiver is required to, and hereby agrees to, improve the equine's weight and condition to F.A.H.S. satisfaction within a reasonable amount of time. Caregiver agrees to contact F.A.H.S. in the event they are unable to rehabilitate said equine to an acceptable condition.
3. The Caregiver agrees to advise F.A.H.S. of the exact physical address where equine will be kept, and further agrees that a representative of F.A.H.S. may make announced visits at any time to confirm that proper care is being provided. If there are indications that the equine is not being cared for per this adoption agreement, this Agreement authorizes F.A.H.S. to enter such property to make an unannounced visit to inspect the facility in order verify the well-being of said equine.
4. In the event the Caregiver should desire to move the equine from the initial facilities to a different facility after the Caregiver assumes care of the equine, the Caregiver agrees to notify F.A.H.S. at least 15 calendar days prior to the

proposed move of the proposed new location. Any new location of the facilities must be expressly approved by F.A.H.S. before the equine is moved. The equine shall not be removed from the State of South Carolina except by written Agreement of the parties.

5. The Caregiver agrees to contact F.A.H.S. and/or a veterinarian upon the discovery of any medical problem except those minor medical problems that are usual and incidental to regular equine maintenance. The Caregiver agrees the equine will not be destroyed without first consulting F.A.H.S. and/or a veterinarian. Humane destruction, as an exception, will be allowed if a representative from F.A.H.S. cannot be contacted, and a veterinarian deems humane destruction necessary due to an irrecoverable accident, (for example, serious injury, illness and/or severe colic).

6. The Caregiver agrees to notify F.A.H.S. immediately upon the death of the equine.

7. If for any reason the Caregiver is unable or unwilling to care for the equine as set forth in this Agreement and any Amendment(s) attached hereto, Caregiver will immediately notify F.A.H.S. and allow F.A.H.S. up to 30 days to remove the equine from their care. Transportation will be at the expense of F.A.H.S. No other extraneous charges or cost incurred by the equine before being returned to the care of F.A.H.S. will be the responsibility of F.A.H.S. Under no circumstances shall the Caregiver attempt to or purport to sell, trade, abandon, give away or otherwise transfer the equine. Should the equine be returned to F.A.H.S. due to termination of this Agreement, no money will be reimbursed to the Caregiver.

FAHS Representative (Print Name)

FAHS Representative (Signature)

Caregiver (Print Name)

Caregiver (Signature)

Address

Phone Number(s)

Email Address

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HORSE CARE GUIDELINES

Adequate Food:

- Nutritious food in sufficient quality (wholesome, palatable and free from contamination, such as feces, mold, mildew, insects, etc.)
- Food shall be provided in sufficient quantity and be of adequate and appropriate nutritive value
- Diet shall be prepared with consideration for the age, breed/type, condition, size, work level and quantity of equine(s) and/or according to veterinarian guidelines.
- Equines shall have access to adequate natural forage (hay or pasture) to be fed daily or as recommended by a veterinarian.
- All storage and feeding receptacles shall be kept clean and free from contaminants, such as feces, mold, mildew, insects, etc.
- If more than one animal is fed at one time or in one place, it shall be the responsibility of the Caregiver to ensure that each animal receives nutrition in sufficient quantity.

Adequate Veterinary Care:

- In the event of an injury, accidental or deliberate, or exhibiting such signs as shock, colic, founder, complications of pregnancy, tremors, swelling, broken bones, open wounds, inability to eat or drink, blistering as a result of fire, acid, etc., irregular or abnormal breathing, partial or total paralysis, abnormal discharge or bleeding, signs of disease, severe parasitic infection, loss of appetite, weight loss, abnormal skin condition or hair loss, temperature fluctuation, persistent diarrhea, inability to bear weight on a limb or lameness, or other such signs a veterinarian must be contacted.
- Hoof care maintenance and trimming as directed by a veterinarian or farrier.
- Parasites kept under control through worming as directed by a veterinarian.
- Annual dental check-up and necessary treatment to ensure proper chewing and adequate food digestion.
- Annual testing for Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins Test)
- Annual rabies vaccination. Twice yearly vaccinations of EWT, Flu, Rhino, West Nile, and any other vaccinations recommended by a veterinarian

Adequate Water

- Adequate water shall mean clean, potable water available at all times for all equines. Exceptions shall be determined by a veterinarian.
- Equines being worked or in transport shall be provided water as often as necessary for the health and comfort of the equine.
- Frequency of watering shall consider age, breed/type, condition, size and quantity of equine(s). Activity levels and climatic conditions must be considered.
- All water receptacles shall be kept clean and free of contaminants and be positioned or affixed to minimize spillage.

Adequate Shelter

- Any space is provided to the equine must be usable and safe. Must be provided an area free from standing water, accumulated water, sharp objects and debris and maintained in a safe and healthful manner.
- Equines shall be allowed to exercise and have freedom of movement as necessary to reduce stress and maintain good physical condition. Space and provisions for exercise must be appropriate and sufficient for the age, breed/type, quantity, condition and size of the equine(s) and/or according to the veterinarian guidelines.
- Stall size should be a minimum of 10' by 10'.
- Enclosed areas should be constructed or modified to allow free flow of air to control temperature, humidity and prevent air stagnation.
- Equines kept in stalls must be allowed suitable turn out time in a fenced area large enough for the equine to exercise and/or according to veterinarian guidelines.
- Fencing shall be well maintained and in good repair at all times. Fencing adequate for equine needs to be highly visible.

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