

### **NEER North Adoption Application**

New England Equine Rescue – North (NEER North) requires ALL adoption applications be submitted with photographs of the pastures, fencing, barn and stalls, and any other horses/ponies at the facility where the NEER North equine will be kept. NEER North may request additional information or pictures to complete its review and may require a visit to your facility before your application will be approved. All information must be completed in full.

 THERE IS A \$15 APPLICATION FEE.
 [Internal Office Use: Payment made \_\_\_\_\_]

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Full Name:	Age:
Address:	
City:	State: Zip:
Home/Cell Phone: () Emai	l Address:
Work Phone: () Occupation	:

#### ADOPTION APPLICATION

- 1. If there is a specific horse, pony or other equine you are interested in, please state the name of that equine: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Please list the name, address and telephone number of your current veterinarian and farrier that will be caring for the equine:

Veterinarian: _	Phone: ()
Address:	
City:	State: Zip Code: Time Used:
Farrier:	Phone: ()
Address:	
City:	State: Zip Code: Time Used:

3. Please list the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two references (non-family) familiar with your experience and care of horses that we may contact:

 Reference 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_)\_\_\_-\_\_\_

 Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_

 City: \_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_

 Reference 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_)\_\_\_-\_\_\_

 Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_

 City: \_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_

- 4. Who will care for the equine if you are sick, injured or otherwise unable:
- 5. What is your experience with equines? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Do you own a horse trailer? YES / NO



#### ADOPTION APPLICATION – cont'd

- 7. Have you or do you currently own and care for equines? YES / NO Please describe:\_\_\_\_\_\_
- 8. What is the intended use for this equine? Please place an "X" for all possible answers:
  \_\_\_\_\_ Companion (no riding) \_\_\_\_\_ Pleasure riding only \_\_\_\_\_ Endurance riding
  \_\_\_\_\_ Jumping \_\_\_\_\_ Barrels, Poles, etc. \_\_\_\_ Trail riding \_\_\_\_\_ Dressage
  If you plan on riding, how often?

#### 9. Will the equine be stabled on your own property? YES / NO

- *If you answered yes to this question, please answer the following:*
- a. How many acres do you own? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. How many pasture acres will the equine have?
- c. Total number of equines? \_\_\_\_\_ Types? \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Have you sold any horses or ponies in the past five (5) years, and if so, what were the reason(s) for selling?

## 10. If the equine will be stabled at a boarding facility (or on someone else's farm or property), please provide the following information:

- a. Name of the boarding facility or farm: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Name of owner of boarding facility or farm: \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Address of the facility: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Telephone number of the boarding facility: (\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-
- e. Total number of equines at this facility: \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Whether on your property or at a separate facility, please provide the following details:
  - a. Type of shelter (i.e., barn, run-in, etc.) that will be available for the equine:
  - b. If a barn, please provide the number and size of stalls: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Type of fencing is used for pasture:
  - d. Type of water system in summer/winter:
  - e. Feeding schedule and type of food: \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Amount of hay and grain per equine per day. If pasture fed, indicate which months and what feeding system is used in the winter: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Have you ever been charged with animal abuse or surrendered an equine? YES/NO Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_



#### AGREEMENT

Will you agree to the following NEER North requirements?

- You will submit a Veterinarian Certification and picture of the adopted equine to NEER North every year for three (3) years?
  - YES / NO (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (initial and date)

• If you cannot keep adopted equine, you will return the equine at no charge to NEER North. And that if NEER North cannot receive equine due to space limitations, you will give NEER North at least three (3) months to try to find space. If at that time NEER North still does not have space you will work to place the equine; however, if you sell the equine it is understood that the contract you signed upon adoption will transfer to the equine buyer and a copy of the transferred contract with appropriate signatures and dates will be provided to NEER North.

YES	/ NO	circle one	(initial and date	)
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• The equine may not be bred. In the case the equine is accidentally bred, any offspring are the property of NEER North.

YES / NO (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (initial and date)

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned, understand I am applying to adopt an equine from NEER North. I agree that I have read and understand the adoption terms and responsibilities, including those requiring financial, labor and time commitments. I also understand that I must complete the application process and my facility (home or boarding barn) must be approved before being allowed to adopt any equine from NEER North. I understand that I may not be able to adopt the equine I want for various reasons. I agree and understand that NEER North reserves the right to request a background check to verify personal information. I agree not to hold NEER North liable in the event of injury, death, or damage to any human, animal or property as a result of activities or actions of the equine I adopt.

# I HAVE CAREFULLY READ, CLEARLY UNDERSTAND, AND VOLUNTARILY SIGN THIS ADOPTION AGREEMENT.

Signature

Printed Name

Date

When completed, please return form to NEER North, 52 Ash Street, West Newbury MA 01985, or scan and email to <u>mary.martin@neernorth.org</u>. NEER North appreciates the contribution of all fosters and adopters and your willingness to help us save and protect horses from neglect, cruelty and slaughter.