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Adoption Application:

All persons interested in adopting a horse from HART are required to complete the application in full. Once completed please mail, fax, or email the application to above.

****All adopters must be 21 or older and financially and physically able to provide the proper care to the adopted horse. If under 21, please include 'parent information' to the personal and financial sections. ****

Personal Info

1. Full Name

1a. Full Name (Parent or Guardian if Rider is under 21 yrs old)

2. Rider's Age

3. Rider's Height and weight?

Contact Info

4. Complete Home Address

5. Home Phone Number

6. Work Phone Number

7. Cell Phone Number

8. E-mail Address

Financial Info

9. Where do you work?

10. What is your occupation?

11. Do you work full-time, part-time, or are you self-employed?
12. If self-employed, please describe your profession.
13. What is your household's total annual income?
Under 35K / 35K - 45K / 46K- 60K / 61K-75K / 76K- 100K / 100K & Up
14. Will there be anyone helping you pay for the care of the horse? If yes, please explain.
15. How much do you estimate it will cost per year to own your adopted horse? Please explain.

Horse Experience and History

16. What is your experience with horses?
17. Have you owned a horse before?
Yes No
18. When was the last time you owned a horse?
19. Do you currently own a horse?
Yes No
If so, how many and list the breed of each horse.
20. Have you had a horse die while in your ownership and/or care? What were the circumstance for the death?
21. What style of riding do you practice? How many years?
22. What breeds have you handled and ridden?
23. Do you have experience with training green horses? If yes, please explain.
24. Have you ever trained an "off the track" Thoroughbred? Did you receive help from a professional trainer or did you do it on your own? Please specify.
Yes No
21. Have you ever sold a horse? If yes, please explain.
22. Are you still in contact with the person(s) you sold the horse to?

23. Are you considering a mare for breeding purposes?

Yes No

If yes, what is your experience with breeding and foaling?

24. How many mares have you bred and foaled?

You and Your Potential Adoption Horse

25. Why do you want to adopt an ex-racehorse?

26. What qualities would you like to have in a horse? (i.e. age, color, sex, size, temperament)

27. What style and level of riding do you wish to achieve?

28. What riding discipline is your primary focus?

29. Are you willing to change your discipline goals to suit your adopted horse's needs?

Yes No

30. How often do you want to ride/drive your horse?

Daily -- 4-6 Times Weekly -- 2-3 Times Weekly -- Weekends Only -- 1-2 Times Monthly -- Seldom

31. How would you rate your riding ability?

Beginner Novice Intermediate Advanced

32. Do you have a trainer? If yes, please provide his/her name and contact information.

33. Does your trainer have experience working with Thoroughbreds? How many years?

34. Will there be anyone else riding the horse? If yes, explain their experience.

35. What would be your overall goal for the horse?

36. If you have an unforeseen life event (i.e. loss of job, divorce, illness, pregnancy) what would your plan be for your adopted horse?

37. When would you like to adopt?

38. Are you interested in a specific horse?

Boarding or Private Facility Info

39. Please provide the name, address, and phone number of the boarding facility or private farm where the horse will stay.

Name:

Address:

Phone:

40. Who owns the facility?

41. Do you live at the facility?

Yes

No

42. Do you currently board at this facility, or have you in the past? Please specify.

Yes

No

43. If you DO NOT live at the facility, what is the monthly board fee? What does it cover?

44. If you DO live at the facility, what do you anticipate paying a month to care for the horse?

45. How many horses are currently at the facility?

46. Will the horse have a stall or run-in? What are the exact dimensions?

Stall

Run-In

47. How many total stalls are in the barn?

48. If your horse will have a stall, how many hours per day do you plan to have him/her stalled?

49. How often & how many hours per day will your horse be turned out?

50. Who will be responsible for turning out your horse?

51. Does the facility have pasture/paddock turnouts? If yes, how many total acres?

52. What type of fencing surrounds the pastures/paddocks? Explain in detail (type of material, # of rails/strands, height)

53. How many other horses will the horse be turned out with? Are mares and geldings kept separate or mixed?

Care & Feeding Info

54. How many times per day will your adopted horse be fed? Please explain.
55. Who will be responsible for feeding the horse?
56. Where will the horse be fed (i.e. stall or pasture)?
57. If fed in the pasture, how will you assure the horse is receiving the proper and required amount of feed?
58. What type of grain and hay will the horse be fed?
59. Based on your experience, how much grain and hay per day do you think the horse will need?
60. Will your horse have access to grass pasture?
61. How often will you de-worm your adopted horse?
62. What annual vaccinations will your horse receive? Please list.
63. What is your planned farrier schedule?

Reference Info

64. Please provide the name and contact info for the vet that has been to the facility where the horse will be kept?
****The vet office must have you or your boarding facility down as a current client. Please specify who the current client is.****
Name:
Address:
Phone:
Fax:
Please list who the client is (you, facility or both):
65. Please provide contact info for your farrier?
Name:
Phone:
66. Provide the name and number of two NON- FAMILY references that are experienced with horses and are aware of your horse experience and have been to the facility. Please provide phone numbers.
 - 1.
 - 2.
67. How did you hear about our program? Please specify.

Adoption Contract Info

68. Have you read the "Adoption Contract" and agree to the terms and rules governing adoptions from HART?

Yes No

69. Does the manager/owner of the stable understand he/she does not have the right to refuse our coming onto their facility unannounced per the adoption contract to verify a horse's wellbeing, and if HART is not satisfied with the care of the horse we would use our right to reclaim said horse to our immediate care and control?

Yes No

70. Do you understand that our adoption agreement is a Two-Year commitment? (Adopters may NOT sell the adopted horse during that first year. If the adopter cannot or does not wish to continue to care for the adopted horse during that first year, HART must be notified, and the program will help find a solution, whether arrangements are made to transfer the adoption to another adopter approved by HART, the horse is placed on HART's website, or returned to the program.)

Yes No

71. Do you understand and agree to submit both written and visual updates on the adopted horse three (3), six (6), and twelve (12) months post adoption? (All updates must include the horse's location, feeding info, how and what the horse has been doing, and clear, good quality full body photo(s) without tack or blanket.)

Yes No

72. Do you understand that once all three updates have been submitted, the adopter is legally allowed to sell the adopted horse after the one-year commitment only on the condition that HART is given right of first refusal for either the original adoption price or the amount being offered for sale to the prospective new owner's? Also, HART is given full contact information prior to the sale for the new owner, and in addition that the horse's adoption contract is to remain with the horse till it dies?

Yes No

73. Do you understand and agree that the adopted horse is NEVER, under any circumstances, to be sold at any auction, to a horse dealer, or to the Amish? (HART reserves the right to pursue legal action towards the adopter should this occur).

Yes No

74. Have you read HART's Return Policy? Please note that it **can take some time** for a horse to be returned to the program. Returns are taken in as space is available although exceptions may apply in the case of emergency.

Yes No

BY SIGNING OR TYPING YOUR FULL NAME BELOW, YOU CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION THAT YOU HAVE PROVIDED ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE.

Name

Date

Name (Parent or Guardian if minor signed above)

Date

Thank you for taking the time to read and understand the application. You will hear from us shortly to schedule a meeting time and date for you to come out and interact with the horses we have in our HART Program!