



All persons interested in adopting a horse from Serenity Farm Horse Rescue (SFHR) are required to complete the application in full. Once completed please mail or email the application to:

Serenity Farm Horse Rescue, 92 Minortown Road, Woodbury CT 06798.

[serenityfarmhorserescue@gmail.com](mailto:serenityfarmhorserescue@gmail.com)

**\*\*All adopters must be 18 or older and financially and physically able to provide the proper care to the adopted horse. If under 18, please include 'parent information' to the personal and financial sections\*\***

**Personal Info**

1. Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Adopter's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

3. Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name of Horse you are interested in adopting \_\_\_\_\_

5. When are you interested in adopting? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What is your interest in this horse? For companion animal (Y/N) For Riding (Y/N) Any other categories? \_\_\_\_\_

**Horse Experience and History:**

7. What is your experience with horses? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. Have you owned a horse before? (Yes or No) If yes, when was the last time you owned a horse and for how long?  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Do you currently own a horse? (Yes or No).

10. Have you ever sold a horse? (Yes or No) If yes, please explain.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 11. Are you still in contact with the person(s) to whom you sold the horse? (Yes or No)
- 12. If you will be riding this horse, do you have a trainer? (Yes or No) If yes, please provide his/her name and contact information.

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- 13. If you have an unforeseen life event such that you can no longer care for your horse, do you have a backup plan for the horse's care? Please describe:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Boarding or Private Facility Info**

- 14. Please provide the following information for the boarding facility or private farm where the horse will stay: Name of Stable: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

- 15. Name of Stable owner and/or manager \_\_\_\_\_

- 16. Do you own the facility? (Yes or No)

- 17. Do you currently board at this facility, or have you in the past? (Yes or No) Please specify.

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

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- 19. If you DO live at or own the facility, what do you anticipate paying per month to care for the horse?

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- 20. Will the horse have a stall or run-in? (Stall or Run-In). \_\_\_\_\_

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

- 22. How often and how many hours per day will your horse be turned out? \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

- 24. How many other horses will the horse be turned out with? \_\_\_\_\_ Are mares and geldings kept separate or mixed? (Separate or Mixed) \_\_\_\_\_

**Care & Feeding Info**

- 25. How many times per day will your adopted horse be fed? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- 26. Who will be responsible for feeding the horse? \_\_\_\_\_
- 27. Where will the horse be fed (i.e., stall or pasture)? \_\_\_\_\_
- 28. If fed in the pasture, how will you assure the horse is receiving the proper and required amount of feed?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 29. What type of grain and hay will the horse be fed? \_\_\_\_\_
- 30. Based on your experience, how much grain and hay per day do you think the horse will need?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 31. Will your horse have access to grass pasture? (Yes or No)
- 32. How often will you de-worm your adopted horse? \_\_\_\_\_
- 33. How often will you have dental examinations/teeth floating? \_\_\_\_\_
- 34. What annual vaccinations will your horse receive? Please list: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 35. What is your planned farrier schedule? \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial Info**

- 36. Employment status    full-time \_\_\_\_\_ part-time \_\_\_\_\_ self-employed \_\_\_\_\_ retired \_\_\_\_\_
- 37. Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_
- 38. What is your household total annual income? (Please circle one)  
Under 35K / 35K - 45K / 46K- 60K / 61K-75K / 76K- 100K / 100K & Up
- 39. The basic cost to maintain a horse is about \$10,000 per year exclusive of extraordinary expenses and market fluctuations for hay, grain, and bedding. Monthly board and service fees charged by a private or commercial boarding facility may increase this cost. Will there be anyone helping you pay for the care of the horse?  
  
Yes \_\_\_    No \_\_\_    If yes, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference Info**

- 40. Please provide the name and contact information 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 listed 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): \_\_\_\_\_
- 41. What is the name and phone number for your farrier? \_\_\_\_\_

42. Provide the name and phone number of two NON-FAMILY references that are experienced with horses and are aware of your horse experience and have been to the facility:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Adoption Contract Info (Please circle your reply to each question)**

43. Have you read the "Adoption Contract" and agree to the terms and rules governing adoptions from SFHR? **Yes No**

44. Do you understand that our adoption agreement is a **TWO-YEAR** commitment? Adopters may **NOT** sell the adopted horse during that time. If the adopter cannot or does not wish to continue to care for the adopted horse during that first year, SFHR must be notified, and SFHR will help find a solution whether arrangements are made to transfer the adoption to another adopter approved by SFHR, the horse is placed on the SFHR website page, or returned to SFHR. **Yes No**

45. Do you agree to submit both written and visual updates on the adopted horse per the terms described in the Adoption Agreement, Paragraph 6. All updates must include the Veterinarian's Update Form. **Yes No**

46. Do you understand that once all these updates have been submitted, the adopter is legally allowed to sell the adopted horse after the two-year commitment only on the condition that SFHR is given the prospective new owner's full contact information prior to the sale? **Yes No**

47. Do you understand and agree that the adopted horse is NEVER, under any circumstances, to be sold at any auction to a horse dealer? **Yes No**

48. Have you read the SFHR Return Policy as described in Paragraph 5 of the Adoption Agreement? Please note that it **can take four (4) to eight (8) weeks** for a horse to be returned to SFHR. Returns are taken in as space is available. **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: (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_