



## Adoption Agreement

This agreement is made and entered into between Rocky Mountain Riding Therapy (RMRT) and \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter called Adopter. This adoption agreement pertains to the Equine listed below.

### Equine Description:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Brand: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Markings: \_\_\_\_\_

### Adopter agrees to the following:

1. Adopted equine will always be treated with kindness, affection, and respect. Adopter will abide by all anti-cruelty laws in any state of residence.
2. Adequate and conscientious food, water, shelter, exercise and professional medical, dental and hoof care will be provided according to this equine's needs. This includes and is not limited to yearly vaccinations, hoof care at least every eight weeks or as recommended by the farrier, dental check yearly or as recommended by the veterinarian, and regular de-worming.
3. This equine will not be contained solely in a box stall. Turnout in a paddock or pasture must be provided for the equine unless it is due to an injury where stall rest is required.

4. Adopter agrees to keep this equine on his or her own personal property or at a boarding facility that has adequate safe enclosures. All fencing must be equine safe and in good repair. RMRT will perform a property evaluation prior to moving the equine.

5. This equine is not to be sold, traded, leased, given away, abandoned or disposed of in any way without prior notification to RMRT. Humane euthanasia shall be employed when this equine is not mobile and a veterinarian is of the opinion that mobility will not return; when this equine is experiencing continual pain for which there is no medical relief; when this equine is affected by a degenerative medical condition for which there is no cure; or if this equine is dangerous to itself or other equine or humans. If the Adopter can no longer take care of the equine, the equine can be returned to RMRT.

6. The adopter agrees to not sell the equine at auction for slaughter or allow the equine to be sold, transferred, released, or otherwise placed into possession of any person or organization that will cause or allow the equine to be sold at auction for slaughter.

7. If this equine is a mare, there is a NO BREEDING stipulation attached to ownership.

8. All information that RMRT has on this equine is released to the Adopter. The Adopter understands that all information provided by RMRT is accurate to the best knowledge of RMRT.

9. RMRT will keep the brand inspection of the equine for one year after the transfer of the equine. The Adopter agrees to a one month, 3 month, 6 month, and 12 month check in by an RMRT representative. If at any time during that year this equine is found to be in unsatisfactory condition or not properly cared for, RMRT or any of its representatives may enter **any** property on which this animal is kept and reclaim the equine immediately without any forewarning.

10. In the event that the Adopter is in breach of this contract, this contract will be considered null and void. RMRT may retake possession of this equine.

11. The Adopter agrees to hold RMRT, its officers, directors, volunteers, representatives and agents free from all liability to any person(s) or damage to or loss of property, real or personal, caused by any reason whatsoever related to the adopted equine, effective immediately as of the time this contract is signed and forever after.

12. Ownership of this equine may be retained by RMRT for a period of up to twelve months from the date of adoption. After that time, a facility visit may occur, at the discretion of RMRT, before ownership is relinquished to the Adopter.

13. Any individual or organization in possession of the equine as of the date of the agreement and any time thereafter is bound to not knowingly sell the equine at auction for slaughter or allow the equine to be sold, transferred, released, or otherwise placed into possession of any person or organization that will cause or allow the equine to be sold at auction for slaughter.

14. This contract is in effect for the life of the equine. As such, this agreement shall be incorporated as an addendum to any future agreement put forth by any and all adopters.

15. Upon signing this contract, the Adopter acknowledges that he or she has read, understood and agreed to be bound by the RMRT Adoption Contract.

16. This contract is entered into in the State of Colorado and will be interpreted and enforced under the laws of this State.

The Adopter's payment in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is non-refundable under ANY circumstances, although at the discretion of RMRT there could be a partial to full refund.

This document constitutes the entire agreement between RMRT and the Adopter and there are no other agreements between them.

Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone

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

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

Adopter(s)

Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_

Rocky Mountain Riding Therapy

Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_