

Horse Feathers Equine Center

6320 N Highway 74C, Guthrie, Oklahoma 73044

Adoption Contract

The welfare of our horses is our utmost priority. Horse Feathers Equine Center reserves the right to decline adoption requests for any reason. Our adoption process is limited to residents of Oklahoma.

Adopter Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Address:

Drivers License #

Phone:

Dated

AGREEMENT between Horse Feathers Equine Center and Adopter

Whereas Adopter wishes to adopt certain Horse Feathers Equine Center-owned equine, described as follows:

The following terms and conditions shall apply:

- Adopter agrees to assume legal and moral responsibility for the equines they adopt.
- Adopter agrees to provide financial support for the proper care of the equines they adopt, including providing shelter, veterinary care, farrier care, clean water sources, adequate hay or forage, grain when necessary, supplements as needed, and any other means necessary to create a healthy environment for the equine.
- Adopter agrees to be responsible, as provided by state law, for any personal injury, property damage, or death caused by equines in their care. Adopter is also responsible for pursuing escaped or stray equines, and for recapture costs.
- Adopter shall not maliciously or negligently injure or cause the equine to be injured. Should illness or accidental injury occur, Adopter agrees to be responsible for any costs incurred to ensure the equine receives appropriate veterinary care.
- Adopter shall not treat the equine inhumanely.
- Adopter shall not destroy the equine nor have the equine destroyed, except as an act of mercy, and under the advice and attention of a licensed veterinarian. Adopter agrees that Horse Feathers Equine Center shall be provided with a statement from the attending veterinarian regarding circumstances of needed euthanasia. In the event of the equine's death, Adopter shall dispose of the remains in accordance with applicable health and sanitation laws.
- Adopter shall not sell or transfer the equine to any other party or location. If boarding is necessary, Horse Feathers Equine Center must be notified and provided with the address, stable manager's name, and contact number.

- Adopter agrees that under no circumstances will the equine be sold or transferred to a slaughterhouse or person who sells animals to slaughterhouses, including not taking the equine to a livestock auction.
- Adopter agrees to notify Horse Feathers Equine Center immediately if they can no longer care for the equine, at which time arrangements will be made to return the equine to the Horse Feathers Equine Center facility at Adopter's expense.
- Adopter agrees to permit physical inspections of the equine and its facilities by Horse Feathers Equine Center, Animal Control, or a designated individual. These inspections may be conducted indefinitely to ensure the equine's ongoing proper care.
- Should Horse Feathers Equine Center determine that the equine is not being adequately cared for, Adopter must voluntarily return the equine to the center and relinquish custody. Non-compliance may lead to Animal Control, Sheriff, or other law enforcement agency involvement and potential animal abuse charges.
- Adopter is required to provide updated equine photographs on a bi-annual basis, which must include a current issue of a newspaper with the date clearly visible. Adopter may provide an annual veterinary statement on the veterinarian's letterhead as a substitute for one photograph check-in.
- Equines shall not be saddled until the age of three to allow for proper bone structure fusion and prevent future health complications. All ground work and "pre" saddle work may be performed prior to the age of three.
- Adopter agrees not to breed the filly or mare they adopt. Violation of the breeding clause will result in the immediate surrender of the filly or mare and any foals. All stallions are gelded upon arrival at the facility and adopted as "geldings."
- Horses that remain at Horse Feathers Equine Center for more than five days after adoption will require Adopter to pay for boarding. Horses that remain for more than thirty days will require a Boarding Contract to be negotiated with the facility upon adoption. Horses that remain without a contract and unpaid boarding fees will be forfeited by Adopter back to the facility after thirty days and re-listed for adoption. In such cases, any contracts with Adopter will be terminated.
- No refund or reimbursement of adoption or boarding fees will be provided to Adopter for equines relinquished back to the facility.
- **Adopter acknowledges that Horse Feathers has the exclusive right of first refusal in the disposition of any adopted equine.**

This agreement is binding under the laws of the State of Oklahoma and/or any other state that the equine may reside in after adoption.

Adopter Signature

Signature of Horse Feathers Equine Center Representative