

### Adoption Contract

When you get one of our horses, you are signing up for a lifelong commitment. By signing this adoption contract, you understand and agree that Black Diamond Rescue & Rehab Inc. (BDRR) will have full ownership of the horse(s) until the terms stated within this contract are met and fulfilled. BDRR will state the policies of adopting a horse(s) in the content of this adoption contract. You are welcome to do as you want with the horse(s) if you do not break any of the policies listed within this adoption contract. We are dedicated to making sure the horse(s) we rescue go to forever homes and are free from any form of abuse and/or neglect or ending back up in the slaughter pipeline. Depending upon where the horse(s) will reside, periodic home visits or a virtual visit (facetime, zoom, etc.) may be conducted to ensure you and your horse(s) are doing well. We are here to support you and the horse(s). If you have problems or need help at any time, please reach out to us.

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I understand and agree that I am applying to adopt a horse(s) from BDRR for a period of 30 years and/or for the life of the horse(s). I also understand and agree that after 15 years, I may qualify to transfer this adoption contract into an ownership contract. This application becomes valid beginning on the day the horse(s) have been delivered or have been picked up by the Adopter. I also understand and agree that I must complete the entire application process and must be approved before being allowed to adopt any horse(s) from BDRR. I understand that I may not be able to adopt the horse(s) due to a variety of reasons including past animal cruelty charges. I agree and understand that BDRR reserves the right to request a background check, including criminal records to verify personal information. (Please initial) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please print legibly. All fields MUST be completed. We will need 2 phone numbers to reach you.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ DL/ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*A copy of your driver's license must accompany this adoption application.\*\***

Have you ever been charged with animal cruelty?  No  Yes (explain on separate paper)

Do you currently have or have you ever had a horse(s) before? Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Will the horse be located at another address other than the one posted above?  No  Yes (fill in below)

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*I understand and agree that if the horse(s) are ever moved from the address listed, I will notify BDRR within 5 days and update the new address in which the horse(s) will be residing. Please initial \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known: \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCE (Cannot be a family member)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known: \_\_\_\_\_

**VETERINARIAN**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**FARRIER**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain your vaccination, Coggins, farrier, and deworming programs: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please explain your feeding program, including the type of feed(s) and hay. \_\_\_\_\_

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Will the horse have access to water? Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

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Please draw a diagram of the shelter that you will provide for the horse:

Describe your fencing, including materials and height: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe your pasture/turn out: \_\_\_\_\_

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Will there be other horses sharing the same shelter, pasture, or pen (corral)? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe what experience you have handling, caring for, riding, and training horse(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

What are your goals with your adopted horse(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please initial after reading each section:**

I understand and agree that I am fully responsible for any and all daily care of the horse(s), including but not limited to, cost of grain, hay, vaccinations, transportation costs, Coggins, wormers, boarding fees, supplements, medications, shavings, vet care, farrier work, and any other costs incurred in routine and/or emergency care of the horse(s), and for all costs associated with the return of the horse(s) whether by Adopter or by BDRR. \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that I can do anything with the horse(s) that I adopt from BDRR as long as I do not break any of the rules and policies that are set forth in this adoption contract. \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that if I should ever sell, give away, lease, sublease out, send to slaughter, send to auction, send to kill pen, or any other method of removal except for a vet verifiable death, breed, starve, neglect, and/or abuse the horse(s) that I am adopting from BDRR, that I will pay for all costs incurred by BDRR to return the horses(s) back to BDRR. If I am unable to return the horse(s) back to BDRR, I will pay to BDRR in the amount of 4X the amount that I initially adopted the horse(s) for, in addition to any and all court costs associated with recovery of the horse(s) and/or with any and all attorney fees and court costs incurred by BDRR. \_\_\_\_\_

If at any time I am unable to take care of the horse(s) that I adopted from BDRR, I will return the horse(s) to BDRR immediately, at my expense or the horse(s) may be placed with another BDRR approved Adopter. \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that all adopted fees paid for the horse(s) I adopt are nonrefundable the moment the horse(s) are loaded in a trailer. \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that if the adopted horse(s) die, I will contact BDRR to notify them of the death within 24 hours after death and the reasons of the death by phone or email. I also understand and agree that I may have to have a vet certify the death of the horse(s). \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that BDRR takes in rescue horses and that they are quarantined between 15-30 days. I understand and agree that the horse(s) may not show any signs or symptoms of sickness when I take possession of the horse(s) and I will use my own judgement whether to expose other horses or people to the new horse(s) once I have taken the horse(s). I also understand that once I take possession of the horse(s), I will be responsible for any care needed should the horse(s) become sick or ill afterwards. \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this adoption contract, I agree not to hold Black Diamond Rescue & Rehab Inc or any associate thereof, liable in the event of injury, death, or damage to any human, animal, or property because of activities or actions of the horse(s) I adopt. In addition, I, the undersigned, have read and understand the following warning: \_\_\_\_\_

**WARNING**  
**UNDER TEXAS LAW (CHAPTER 87, CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE), AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES.** \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**(RESERVED FOR OFFICE USE)**

Horse Tag No: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  F  M Gelded:  Y  N (Explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Microchip #: \_\_\_\_\_ Brand # \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Drawing:

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

Markings on Face: \_\_\_\_\_ Scars: \_\_\_\_\_

Left Back Leg: \_\_\_\_\_ Left Front Leg: \_\_\_\_\_

Right Back Leg: \_\_\_\_\_ Right Front Leg: \_\_\_\_\_

Tail Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Mane Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Pictures of Horse Taken:  Yes Date: \_\_\_\_\_  No (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Adoption Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Adoption Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Pickup Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Delivered By: \_\_\_\_\_ Adopter Pickup:  Yes  No

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

Printed Name of Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Officer's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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Approved  Not Approved  Picture Saved  Copy of DL/ID  References  
Checked  Vet Checked

Pictures of Property Received:

( Water  Shed/Barn  Shelter Trees  Pasture  Stall  Pen

Other: \_\_\_\_\_)

Pending Corrections (Explain) \_\_\_\_\_