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ADOPTION APPLICATION

The information submitted on this application is confidential. Dove Creek is committed to matching horses with the right owner(s) and in a setting, which ensures a happy life for both, therefore we must ask for detailed information.

Thank you for cooperating and for understanding the sensitivity in this process.

Each individual horse has a set adoption fee. Adoption fees range from \$300 - \$1500.

NAME: _____ DATE: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/STATE/ZIP _____
MAILING ADDRESS: _____
PHONE NUMBER (S): _____ WORK: _____
EMAIL: _____

NAME OF HORSE YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ADOPTING: _____
WHY DO YOU WISH TO ADOPT THIS HORSE?

IS THIS YOUR FIRST HORSE? _____ IF NO, PLEASE GIVE DETAILS: _____

DID YOU CARE FOR THE HORSE?

WHAT BREED AND SIZE OF HORSE WOULD YOU PREFER?

AGE OF HORSE? Under 5 _____ 5 - 10yo _____ 10- 15yo _____ 15 - 20yo _____

Companion: _____ Other: _____

WILL YOU BE THE PRIMARY HANDLER/RIDER?

AGE: _____

SOME HORSES HAVE LIMITATIONS SUCH AS PARTIAL BLINDNESS, LAMENESS, BEHAVIORAL ISSUES - ALL TO VARYING DEGREES.

PLEASE LIST ANY THAT YOU DO NOT WISH TO ACCEPT:

HEIGHT: _____ WEIGHT: _____

RIDER EXPERIENCE LEVEL:

BEGINNER:

Rider is new around horses. Comfortable at a walk. Limited experience.

ADVANCED BEGINNER: Rider is comfortable at a walk, trot, and some experience with faster



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gaits. Comfortable on the
ground with older and gentle horses.

INTERMEDIATE:

Rider is comfortable at all gaits, can handle horses that test rider with some
bucking/spooking. **EXPERIENCED:**

Rider is comfortable handling difficult horses in various environments/situations

VERY EXPERIENCED: Have previous experience training horses, or experience with handling
green horses.

WANTED HORSE LEVEL:

BEGINNER:

Horse that is calm and gentle, beginner/child could handle "bomb proof"

ADVANCED BEGINNER:

Horse is generally calm, but not good for new rider or small child.

INTERMEDIATE:

Horse occasionally tests rider and/or acts up (bucking, spooking)

EXPERIENCED:

Horse continually tests rider, acts up and/or has special needs.

VERY EXPERIENCED:

Horse is hot/very sensitive/green or untrained

FOR UNTRAINED HORSES - TRAINING COSTS CAN EXCEED \$400/MONTH, ARE YOU WILLING TO
PAY TO HIRE A TRAINER IF YOU ADOPT A HORSE ABOVE YOUR EXPERIENCE LEVEL? IF YES,
WHO _____ PHONE _____

What type of riding will you be doing? (Check all that apply)

English _____ Western _____ Pleasure/trail _____ Showing _____
Dressage _____ 4-H _____ Roping/barrels _____ Hunter/jumper _____
Cow Horse _____

Where will the horse be kept? _____

Shelter? _____

Do you own or lease property? _____

Please provide 2 references, not related to you, that have information about your capability to
care for an adopted horse:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Please provide name & number of your current veterinarian and farrier:

VET: _____

FARRIER: _____

Have you ever sold a horse through an auction? YES? NO (circle) If yes, please explain;

Do you feel confident that you can financially provide for this horse for the rest of his/her life?
(Horse ownership can exceed \$300\$500/mo. _____)

I, _____, certify that I have no prior violations or convictions of inhumane treatment to animals. A pre- adoption visit will be scheduled prior to horse leaving DCER. We also have the right to make as many visits as deemed necessary afterwards to ensure the placement is successful.

By signing this application, you certify, that you are over the age of 21 and all information contained in this application is truthful to the best of your knowledge.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Dove Creek Equine Rescue Board Member: _____

Date: _____

*DCER reserves the right to refuse adoption if DCER deems the horse and adopter are not a suitable match.