



Begin Again Horse Rescue, Inc.  
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## Adoption and Foster Application

Thank you for your interest in a permanent lease adoption or fostering of a horse from Begin Again Horse Rescue, Inc. (BAHR). Adopting or fostering an equine can be one of the most wonderful and rewarding experiences of your life. We are looking for people who are committed to lifetime care for the horse(s) they adopt. The only way we can help more horses is if we are able to place our horses into permanent homes. We request a one-time, non-refundable fee for the adoption of a horse to help defray the costs of the care for the horses. This is not a purchase price, but a donation to the rescue, so we may continue the work we do of rescuing at risk horses. Most often, the fee is far less than the rescue has spent in the rehabilitation of each horse.

Before filling out this application, please be sure to review the permanent lease and/or foster contracts to be sure that you understand our expectations and the level of commitment required. Our goal is to find the best possible homes for our equines. To help us meet that goal, please answer the questions following this cover letter to the best of your ability. Your responses will help us to match you with the horse you are interested in, or possibly another that may meet your requirements.

Once we receive your application (email is the fastest method), we will initiate our adoption process which includes checking references. When that is complete, we then schedule a farm inspection. We are a 100% volunteer run organization. Our volunteers work full-time jobs outside of the rescue, so please be understanding that the process can take up to 2 weeks. Our experience is that the process is much quicker when you notify your references that we will be contacting them and when we have written authorization for your vet and farrier to provide us with a reference (please be sure to fill out the Reference Release in the application).

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I understand that by filling out this application, I am inquiring to adopt an equine from Begin Again Horse Rescue, Inc. I also understand that my application may be denied for a variety of reasons, and I may not be able to adopt an equine from Begin Again Horse Rescue, Inc.

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

**Equine Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in (check one):

- Permanent Lease Adoption  
 Foster  
 Foster with Intent to Adopt

### Applicant Contact Information

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

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

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

Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Horse Experience

1. How would you describe your level of horse experience? (Check One)  
Novice \_\_\_\_\_ Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Experienced \_\_\_\_\_ Professional \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you currently own a horse(s): Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_  
If you have owned horses in the past, tell us about them, what they were used for, and where they are now. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Explain what style or type of training techniques you prefer.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How often do you feel a horse needs:  
Worming: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teeth Floated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Farrier/Blacksmith: \_\_\_\_\_
5. How much do you anticipate spending annually for feed, veterinary and farrier care, medications, special dietary needs, and board for a horse? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What types of vaccinations should a horse in your area receive and how often? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. If you are interested in a pasture pal, what other animals would be living with the horse? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Tell us about the person(s) responsible for the care and well-being of the horse:  
Feeding \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Experience level \_\_\_\_\_  
Training \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Experience level \_\_\_\_\_  
General care \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Experience level \_\_\_\_\_  
Administering medications \_\_\_\_\_  
Age \_\_\_\_\_ Experience level \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Living Conditions and Riding

- Will the horse live at your property? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What type of fencing is on the property? (Barbed wire fencing is not an option, so we'll need to discuss possible solutions.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. If you will be boarding, please give name, address, and phone number of boarding facility  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How big is the horse's turn out area or pasture access? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What are the approximate age, height, and weight of the person(s) who will be riding the horse?

Rider 1: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_  
Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Experience (Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
Rider 2: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_  
Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Experience (Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
Rider 3: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_  
Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Experience (Years) \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference Check Release:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ give permission to Begin Again Horse Rescue, Inc. to contact the person(s) listed below for the purposes of obtaining reference information. These persons/practices have been made aware that you will contact them and have my permission to discuss information regarding my current and/or previous care of my animals/equines.

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

**Veterinary Information**

Please provide your veterinarian contact information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Farrier Information**

Please provide your farrier contact information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal References**

Please provide two references of people that are not related to you who can testify to your ability to provide and care for a horse:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

It is our policy that once references have been verified, we will make a farm visit before this application is considered complete.

Please return this form along with photos of where the horse will be living to:

**Email to:** info@beginagainrescue.org  
**Mail to:** Begin Again Horse Rescue, Inc.  
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Reviewed by BAHR Representative \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_