



We require updated photos of the adopted animal March 1st and September 1st each year so that we may check the status of your adopted animal.

Animal Adoption Agreement & Policies

Adopting a new pet, while it may be a happy and eventful occasion for a family or a great joy to the individual owner, it is nevertheless a BIG decision that involves a great deal of responsibility.

Illinois Horse Rescue of Will County "IHR" has created this agreement/policy to make your adoption process be both a positive and pleasurable experience. We will assist you in choosing the right pet to suit your particular needs and wants.

With that being said you need to be prepared to take on this lifelong commitment to ensure that your adopted pet is well treated and taken care of for the rest of its life.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All potential adopters are required to fill out our Adoption Application and pay an application processing fee. You might also be asked (depends on the adopted animal) to submit a veterinarian reference, and (2) personal references and photos of where the animal will be staying. This may include but is not limited to yards/ pastures, fencing, barns, houses, and etc.

ADOPTION

Only adopters with an approved Animal Adoption Application will be considered to adopt an animal from Illinois Horse Rescue of Will County. Once the application has been processed you will be contacted by phone, from there upon an approved application we will schedule an appointment for you to come in.

APPLICATION / ADOPTION FEES

There is a \$5.00 - \$35.00 non-refundable fee to process this application and you must be 18 years of age or older to apply.

Each animal has an adoption fee to be paid in full at the time of adoption. All fees paid are non-refundable. It is to be understood that regardless of the reason and under no circumstance can the adoption fee be refunded, even if the adoption process has stopped or you decide to return the animal. Illinois Horse Rescue of Will County reserves the right to refuse adoption of any animal to any adopter if we feel that the adopter is not a good match.

All adopted animal(s) must be given proper care this includes but is not limited to feed, abundant water supply, shelter, medical care, wormer, vaccines on a regular basis.

DEATH or ILLNESS

Adopter agrees and understands should a life threatening situation arise and the animal is suffering, a veterinarian's advice is required. In the event the animal has passed on from natural causes, old age or that it needs to be humanely euthanized please inform IHRWC within 48 hours. You will be required to have a licensed veterinarian send a statement stating the apparent cause of death and a certificate of Death within (14) days of deceased adopted animal.

GIVING AWAY

Animals adopted from IHRWC are absolutely forbidden to be sold, given away, traded or used for breeding purposes, in doing so will be a violation of this animal adoption agreement/policy and will result in prosecution.

RELINQUISH

In the event that you feel you do not want the animal you have adopted from IHRWC anymore you are to return the animal to IHRWC, fill out a relinquish form (so that we may update the animals records) and **pay the relinquish fee that can be up to \$100.00. Fee is not negotiable.**

Please Sign that you have read and understand the above policy and procedures for adoption.

X _____ Date: _____
(Adopter Signature)

X _____ Date: _____
(Illinois Horse Rescue Representative)

We would love to post YOUR successful Adoption story on our website!