

Application for Adoption: Western Montana Equine Rescue & Rehabilitation, Inc.

Dear Applicant,

It is of primary importance to us that we match you and the prospective adoptee as carefully as possible as you will be entering into a relationship for the rest of this animal's life. Horses/mules/donkeys live a long time. Our application process is extensive and may take a few days/weeks. We want to ensure that our residents will be well cared for the rest of their lives in their new homes. Thank you for your patience with this process.

Please fill out this application as completely as possible. If you need more room, please use a separate sheet of paper.

In order to be considered as an adopter, you must:

- Be 18 years old or be applying with a parent or guardian.
- Allow a Western Montana Equine Rescue & Rehabilitation representative to inspect your horse facility.
- If renting, have your landlord's written consent.
- Be able and willing to spend the time and money necessary for training, veterinary treatment and proper hygiene for your horse/mule/donkey.
- Provide Western Montana Equine Rescue & Rehabilitation with a letter of reference from your equine veterinarian. If this will be your first horse, please find your horse vet of choice, meet with him/her and ask them to submit a letter to us stating that the two of you have begun a working relationship.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Your Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Employed by _____

Other Adults in Household _____

Number of Children in Household _____ Ages _____

Length of Time at Current Address _____

Own _____ Rent _____ Live with Owner _____ Other _____

If Renting, Landlord's Name _____

Please provide us with the name/address and phone number of 3 personal references:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

If the horse/mule/donkey will be living somewhere other than the address listed above, please provide that address, name of facility, owner of facility and phone number:

Who is or will be your veterinarian? _____

Who is or will be your horse shoer? _____

Have you ever owned a horse/mule or donkey? _____

If yes, for how many years? _____ How did those horses/mule/donkeys leave you?
By sale? Death? Given Away? Please give details: _____

I wish to adopt (name of Rescue resident) _____

I want to adopt _____ because _____

Please describe your experience with training, caring for, handling and riding _____

I want the following personality traits in a horse/mule/donkey: friend sweet smart

Calm independent spirited quiet affectionate Other_____

When I relate to horses/mules/donkeys, I tend to be: Dominating (I need to always be in control of what the horse is doing). Lenient (the horse gets a treat because a previously rescued horse needs extra love and attention). It Varies (I adjust to the situation at hand).
Other_____

Horse behaviors I just cannot tolerate are:_____

Have you ever bred one of your horses?_____

Describe where your horse/mule/donkey will live (size of area, fencing, shelter, etc.____

Will your horse/mule/donkey live in the same pasture/area with another horse/horses?____

If yes, what age/gender?_____

Will your new horse/mule/donkey have a separate enclosure initially to allow him/her time to get acquainted with future pasture mates?_____How long?_____

What will you use this horse/mule/donkey for?_____

If this horse/mule/donkey becomes permanently lame, or for some reason not rideable, what will you do with him/her?_____

How long do you plan to keep this horse/mule/donkey?_____

What care do you provide your horse/mule/donkey when you are out of town?_____

What is the water source? Is it always available? How is it kept open in the winter? _____

Will your horse/mule/donkey be kept in the same enclosure year round? _____ If not, please give details: _____

Will your horse/mule/donkey be turned out on rangeland? _____ If so, how many acres? _____ How many and which months of the year? _____

How much time do you plan to spend with this horse/mule/donkey per week? _____

If your horse/mule/donkey becomes ill, are you willing to give it extensive care? _____ What do you consider "extensive" care: _____

If you move, will you take your horse/mule/donkey with you? _____

What provisions will you make for the horse/mule/donkey should you become unable to care for it? _____

Who will feed this horse/mule/donkey? _____

How many times per day will it be fed? _____ Times? _____

What type of hay? _____ How much will you feed? _____

Where do you store your hay? _____

Do you already have hay specifically for this animal? _____ How many tons? _____

What other feeds or supplements (if any) do you plan to give? _____

Will your horse/mule/donkey have access to pasture? _____

Have you ascertained that your pasture is free of weeds which may be poisonous to horses/mules/donkeys? _____

Are the other family members, or friends who live with you, in agreement with this potential adoption? _____ If no, why not? _____
Please provide a one year budget for your horse/mule/donkey. Be as complete as possible. Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, the undersigned, understand that I am applying to adopt/foster a horse/mule/donkey from Western Montana Equine Rescue & Rehabilitation, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as WMER&R. I understand that I must complete the application procedure and have the equine property or boarding facility inspected and approved before being allowed to adopt from WMER&R.

I understand that my application will be voted on by the WMER&R Board of Directors at the earliest possible date and that I may not be able to adopt the resident I am interested in for various reasons. In addition, I understand that WMER&R may perform a background check to verify my personal information as well as check for any criminal convictions. I understand that if I adopt a WMER&R resident, I will be subject to follow up visits by a WMER&R representative.

I understand that I may never sell, give away, lease out, send to slaughter, etc., the horse/mule/donkey that I adopt. I understand that WMER&R is willing to take back a horse/mule/donkey that I adopt if I find that I cannot relate to this animal or can no longer care for it.

By signing this application, I agree that WMER&R is not liable in the event of injury, death or damage to any human, animal or property as a result of activities or actions of the horse/mule/donkey I adopt. In addition, I, the undersigned, have read and understand the following. I have reviewed the health/veterinary record kept by WMER&R about this horse/mule/donkey. I understand I may have a veterinarian of my choice examine this horse/mule/donkey at my expense and I understand any health issues my veterinarian has diagnosed.

To the best of my knowledge, all information supplied in this application is true and correct.

Signature / Date

Please return completed Application to:
Western Montana Equine Rescue, P.O. Box 1168, Corvallis, Montana 59828

