



# Horse Acceptance and Release Form

1. By signing this form, you are releasing your equine to Best Friends Animal Society. Please fill out this form completely and then return it to us, along with the following information:

- A health certificate (from a veterinarian) and a current negative Coggins test. These are requirements for any equine entering the state of Utah from another state, but we ask that these documents be provided for any equine coming to the sanctuary, even from within Utah.
- All previous veterinary and medical records, including radiographs (x-rays) if there are any.

2. It is your responsibility to arrange transportation to the sanctuary. Please contact us to arrange a day and time when the equine will arrive.

3. If you wish to provide continuing financial support for your equine, please send any donations to the address below with a note specifying that the funds are to be used for Horse Haven.

4. To be able to continue to take in equines in need, Best Friends Horse Haven makes every effort to adopt our equines into loving, forever homes. Our adoption process is very thorough; if you would like information about how we find homes for our equines, please let us know.

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By releasing my equine to Best Friends Animal Society, I understand that my equine will be available for adoption and will be placed into an appropriate home if one becomes available. *Please write your initials here to indicate that you have read and understand this statement:* \_\_\_\_\_

Return all materials to:

Best Friends Animal Sanctuary  
Attention: Horse Haven  
5001 Angel Canyon Road  
Kanab, UT 84741

Phone: (435) 644-2001, ext. 4869  
Fax: (435) 644-2078  
E-mail: [horses@bestfriends.org](mailto:horses@bestfriends.org)

Please provide as much information as possible in response to the following questions. If you cannot answer the questions in the space provided, feel free to use additional paper or the backs of these pages (just note which question you are addressing). Your answers will assure the proper care of the horse and the safety of the other horses who currently reside at the sanctuary. Your answers to these questions will not determine whether or not we will accept the horse.

### Your Horse's Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Height in hands \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Markings \_\_\_\_\_

If this horse is a gelding, how long has he been gelded? \_\_\_\_\_

### Your Horse's History

How long have you had this horse? \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us as much as you can about the history of the horse before you acquired him/her.

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Tell us as much as you can about the history of the horse after you acquired him/her.

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Is the horse currently being ridden?  Yes  No

If no, how long has it been since the horse was last ridden? \_\_\_\_\_

How often is the horse worked? \_\_\_\_\_

How is the horse worked? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the length of the average workout? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of tack has been used on the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

What level of experience do you feel is needed by the person who will adopt and/or handle the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

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How is the horse with people? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Is this horse appropriate for a child to ride or interact with? \_\_\_\_\_  
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How are his or her ground manners? \_\_\_\_\_

How is the horse to catch? \_\_\_\_\_

How is the horse to saddle? \_\_\_\_\_

How does the horse load into a trailer? \_\_\_\_\_

How does the horse handle for the vet and the farrier? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If the horse can be ridden, how is he or she to ride? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How is the horse with other horses? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What is the horse's normal status in a herd?  Dominant  Submissive  Mixed

The horse gets along with:  Mares  Geldings  Both

The horse does not get along with:  Burros  Mules  Goats  Dogs  Cattle

Llamas  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us as much as you can about any behavioral issues the horse may have, and how you have been working with them. \_\_\_\_\_

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Please describe the type of facility the horse is used to living in (stall, corral, pasture).

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Please describe the type(s) of fencing the horse is used to. \_\_\_\_\_

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What are you feeding the horse and what is the feeding schedule? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please describe in as much detail as possible your perception of the ideal person and situation for this horse. \_\_\_\_\_

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### Your Horse's Health Information

So that we can provide excellent care for your horse, please give us some specific information about the health of your horse. If you need your vet to help with some of the answers, we would appreciate it if you could contact him or her.

Name of veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last worming \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of last vaccinations \_\_\_\_\_

Types of vaccinations given \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last dental check \_\_\_\_\_

What is the general condition of the horse's mouth? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of farrier \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

What is the general condition of the horse's feet? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the horse go barefoot or is he/she shod? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any lameness issues?  Yes  No If yes, please describe. \_\_\_\_\_

How is the overall health of the horse? Please describe any conditions that are being treated.

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Is there a history of any of the following?

Colic  Founder  Vesticular stomatitis  Strangles  Cribbing  Heaves

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe any ongoing physical or medical problems the horse has that will require care.

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Is the horse on any medications now?  Yes  No If yes, what are they?

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\_\_\_\_\_

Is the horse on any supplements now?  Yes  No If yes, what are they?

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\_\_\_\_\_

In your opinion, is this a special-needs horse?  Yes  No

If yes, please describe what you consider to be his/her special needs.

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**Your Contact Information**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Time you can be reached \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby release \_\_\_\_\_ (animal's name) into the custody and control of Best Friends Animal Society. I declare that I obtained the above animal legally and that I waive all future rights in the ownership or control of the above animal. I hereby agree to transfer all right, title, and interest or control of the above animal as of the date below.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Attested to by \_\_\_\_\_ for Best Friends Animal Society