

## Procedure for Repossessing an Animal

If, during an on-site visit (by either a Best Friends staff member or a designated representative), it is found that the adopted animal is not being cared for according to the adoption contract, the manager of Best Friends' Horse Haven should be notified of the violation immediately.

The Horse Haven manager will then take steps to determine if the animal needs to be reclaimed by Best Friends. If the adopter was unaware of the violation and the violation was not severe, the manager may allow the adopter to keep the animal after the adopter corrects the situation. If this is the case, a follow-up visit will be scheduled at a later date to ensure that the violation has been corrected.

If the violation warrants immediate repossession of the animal, the Horse Haven manager will take the necessary steps to reclaim the animal.

The following conditions constitute violation of the terms of the adoption contract:

- Unsafe living conditions (for example, debris or trash in the living area, inadequate fencing)
- Unhealthy living conditions (for example, trash or manure in the living area, constant confinement of the animal)
- · Lack of feed or poor quality of feed
- · Lack of foot care or poor foot care
- Lack of dental care or poor dental care
- · Loss of weight
- Lack of medical care or poor care (animal appears to be sick or injured, or has open wounds or sores)
- · Lack of water or poor quality of water
- Poor overall appearance of the animal (for example, unkempt, dull coat)
- · No exercise area or limited exercise provided

Before an animal can be repossessed, the person who conducted the on-site visit must complete the Statement of Intent to Repossess an Animal.



## **Statement of Intent to Repossess an Animal**

I,	_, (print your name) do hereby attest that the animal
named	has not been cared for in agreement with the adop-
tion contract of Best Friends Animal So	ciety. Because the terms of the adoption contract have
been violated, it is in the best interest o	f the animal to be returned to Best Friends Animal
Sanctuary in Kanab, Utah.	
A description of the violation is as follow	vs:
Name of Best Friends representative Repres	sentative's signature Date
Please return this form to:	
Best Friends Animal Sanctuary Attention: Horse Haven 5001 Angel Canyon Road Kanab, UT 84741	Phone: (435) 644-2001, ext. 4869 E-mail: horses@bestfriends.org