

# Seeded Faith Farm

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## ANIMAL ADOPTION APPLICATION

### ADOPTER INFORMATION

\*Full Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Adopter") \*Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Address \_\_\_\_\_ \*City \_\_\_\_\_ \*State \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

\*County \_\_\_\_\_

\*Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*\*Have you or anyone in your household ever been charged with or convicted of any type of animal cruelty or neglect crimes?  
If yes, please explain.\**

No. Yes. \_\_\_\_\_

\*your personal information is protected under the privacy policy\*

### REFERENCE INFORMATION

Veterinarian office name \_\_\_\_\_ Primary veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Farrier Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
(FOR HOOFED ANIMALS)

Please describe your current Animal(s) and feeding, vetting, farrier and worming practices:

What food do you feed? \_\_\_\_\_ How much? \_\_\_\_\_

How often? \_\_\_\_\_ What type of hay do you feed?(for animals that eat it) \_\_\_\_\_

How do you have your vet out? Haul in or farm call? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have your vet out regularly for check ups, vaccinations, etc? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you deworm your animals? \_\_\_\_\_

(for hoofed animals) How often do you have a farrier out to trim feet? \_\_\_\_\_

For pigs, how often do you have tusks done? \_\_\_\_\_

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## FACILITY INFORMATION

If kept on your property:

Indoor animal or outdoor? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent? \_\_\_\_\_ How many acres? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a barn? (Not required for adoption). Yes No

What kind of shelter would the adopted animal have? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your fencing: \_\_\_\_\_

How tall is your fencing? \_\_\_\_\_

How big is your pasture/paddock/pen: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Seeded Faith Farm Rescue will require photos of your property and facilities where the adopted animal will be staying  
This is for the safety of the animal and for us to determine if this is a proper placement for the animal

If not kept on your property but at a boarding facility, what is the name of the facility?

Facility name: \_\_\_\_\_ Facility phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ city: \_\_\_\_\_ state: \_\_\_\_\_ zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Indoor or outdoor boarding? \_\_\_\_\_ How often do you visit? \_\_\_\_\_

(If not boarding, please skip this part)

## GENERAL QUESTIONARE

Do you have experience owning or handling this specific animal? Yes No

If so, how many many years/months? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, does anyone currently/permanently living in your household have handling/experience with this specific type of animal?

Yes. No.

If so how many years/months? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, do you or said other person have a trainer or experienced handler of this type of animal working with you?

\_\_\_\_\_

What is your purpose for this animal/what will you do with them? Please explain.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Why do you feel you would be a good fit for this animal? Please explain.

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\_\_\_\_\_

## ANIMAL INFORMATION

Which animal(s) are you interested in, What kind of animal?

Pig(s) Goat(s) Poultry Dog(s) Cat(s) Other(s)

Are they a Male or Female? \_\_\_\_\_

Did they come with a name? Yes No

If yes, what are they currently named? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be changing their name(s)? Yes No.

If yes, what will they soon be called? \_\_\_\_\_

If you don't know right now, no worries, just let us know when you have decided, any changes in name will automatically be applied to this contract.

(The "Animal", "Adopted Animal", "Animal(s)")

## What about your animals?

Do you currently own this type of Animal? Yes No

How many? \_\_\_\_\_ How big are they? \_\_\_\_\_

How many males? \_\_\_\_\_ How many females? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own any intact animals? Yes No How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Any animals under a year old? Yes No Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Will they be residing with your adopted Animal(s)? Yes No

How do they do with new animal(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Will they be a danger to the adopted animal? \_\_\_\_\_

What other kind of animal(s) do you already have? \_\_\_\_\_

How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Will your adopted Animal be outside 24/7 or have nightly turn in?

For hay eating animals, Square bale hay or round bale hay? \_\_\_\_\_

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**In choosing to adopt, have you considered and agreed to the following? Please read this contract thoroughly. The adoption contract will incorporate all of the below restrictions and the sanctuary/lease/placement will as well. Owning rescue equine(s) can be a huge source of joy and pride, but it is a life long commitment.**

By signing below I, \_\_\_\_\_ (ADOPTER) understand and agree that i have the required facilities, the desire to have a life-long companion, the financial backing, the mental, physical, family stability, and the time required to commit to the above tasks and everything required to keep this/these animal(s) in good health

I, (ADOPTER) , am willing to spend the extra time providing the necessary dietary requirements for this/these adopted animal(s), including feed, supplements, vitamins, oil/fat supplements, and preparing feed accordingly.

I, (ADOPTER), understand that this/these animals may live to the ages between 10 and 20 years old (depending on the animal type/breed), and that this is a long-term commitment and that should any situations change that I (ADOPTER), must contact Seeded Faith Farm Rescue on behalf of the animal(s) placement and that they/it MUST be returned to the rescue.

I, (ADOPTER), understand that any rescued animal(s) may have been worked hard, abused, overused, overbred, etc at a young age and that, although they maybe be physically/mentally sound for many activities (such as cart pulling, packing, overall exercise, etc), it is always recommended that before I, engage in any strenuous activity with said animal(s), that I have the animal(s)checked by a vet who specializes in the area of said activity before “working” the animal.

*\*Seeded Faith Farm rescue requires that all animals adopter from the rescue have mandatory follow up visits in the span of the 1st week of placement, the 1st month of placement, the 3rd month of placement, the 6th month of placement, and at 1 year of placement. Should anything be of concern to the rescue and/or its associates, we (the rescue), will require another mandatory check in of the same time span as placement check-ins.*

*Should the adopter pass the 1 year mandatory check in, all other check-ins will happen at 3 years, 6 years, and 10 yrs based on the health and well being of the adopted animal(s) per veterinary recommendation.\**

I, (ADOPTER), understand as an adopter i will be required to provide documentation on the 1 year mandatory check-in period of my animal’s, vet records, farrier/grooming records, current pictures, location, updates on training (if applicable), current used, health, injuries, illness, etc.

I, (ADOPTER), agree to release all veterinary, dental, and farrier records to Seeded Faith Farm Rescue in the event it is needed to verify the animal(s) health while in my care.

I, (ADOPTER), understand that any animal adopted from Seeded Faith Farm Rescue includes no guarantee regarding training levels, soundness, temperament, or general condition. As an adopter i assume full responsibility for any personal injury, property damage, or death caused by an adopted animal in the adopter’s care and agree to hold Seeded Faith Farm Rescue and its associates harmless and indemnify all persons associated with the organization, its heirs or assigns for the animal’s training level, soundness, temperament, or general condition and for any damage caused by the adopted animal.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## General terms and understandings

I (ADOPTER), understand certain Animals are like people, in that each type of Animal reacts differently to new environments and differently to different people and handlers. As an adopter I understand it is my responsibility to get to know this/these animal(s) fully in order to protect it and to protect the people handling it. I understand that it can take as much as 6 months or more for any Animal(s) to acclimate to a new environment and new people that I will give my adopted animal(s) every opportunity to get to know me and its new environment before expecting it to perform.

I (ADOPTER), understand it is my responsibility to know my limitations regarding time, money and exercising, and handling ability, and I will be truthful and forthright in my preference for an adopted animal

I (ADOPTER), am fully aware that if an Animal is returned to Seeded Faith Farm Rescue due to being surrendered by me or removal by them, that I am personally responsible for ALL EXPENSES in regards to this including but not limited to: shipping, facility holds, emergency vet/farrier expenses during shipping hold or on arrival back to the rescue's facility.

## Terms regarding pregnant, bred or breeding animal(s)

Seeded Faith Farm Rescue does it's best to make sure all female animals (any animal that cannot be spayed, ex; goats, cows, rabbits, reptiles, etc) have been checked for pregnancy before placement. If an animal is adopted with potential of being pregnant and giving birth while in the care of the adoptive family there are 2 options; return of offspring after weaning period to be determined by vet, adoption of specific offspring after weaning period ends. (no adoption fee required, but signing of this contract covers the protection of any offspring born to the adoptive animal). **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

I (ADOPTER), fully understand that if I adopt any female animal from Seeded Faith Farm Rescue that this animal IS NOT to be bred under any circumstances. Should an accidental breeding occur in my (adopters), care I (ADOPTER), will do whatever is medically necessary to protect the health and well being of said animal(s), including aborting said pregnancy if it potentially jeopardizes the health and well being of said animal(s). I understand I will immediately inform Seeded Faith Farm Rescue if this happens. I also understand that if a female animal, in my care is found to be bred or have offspring on her side at any time spanned evaluations without prior notice to the rescue, this CAN be grounds for immediate removal based on investigative findings (I.E the health of mom and offspring).

I (ADOPTER), understand that if I adopt an already pregnant animal, that I will do all of the proper research on animal birthing and that I will keep in contact with the rescue of said animal's pregnancy including contact when the pregnant animal reaches full term/is close to birthing time. I will allow the rescue to check up on the animal if needed (either with a physical visit, photos, or video) upon request.

Should the adopter have any questions regarding pregnant, bred or wanting to breed any female animal, please contact the rescue.

Breeding contract may also be available depending entirely on the situation, type, and health of the animal. More information to come sooner.

## Terms Regarding Euthanization

By signing below, I (ADOPTER), agree to let the rescue Seeded Faith Farm Rescue know of any ideas or intentions to euthanize any adopted animal in my care and I will let them know (Written or Verbal) prior to said decision to discuss if it is the right option for said animal.

Reasons for euthanasia once all efforts to help an Animal have been exhausted:

- \*decline in the health of an elderly animal with no answer to a reason why.
  - \*in some cases, Broken limbs, bones, etc.
  - \*for some species, founder of the hooves.
- \*sudden, worsened, or advanced Neurological disorders, metabolic disorders, infections, Arthritis, traumatic stress, aggressive behavior, Cancers/malignant tumors, or freak accidents that may ultimately lead to death.
- \*questionable health changes effecting the animal's quality of life.

Any other questions please direct them to the rescue.

What is euthanasia?

Euthanasia is the act of intentionally ending a life in a painless or minimally painful way, usually to alleviate suffering.

In the context of animals, euthanasia is often used as a humane way to put an animal to sleep when they are suffering from a terminal illness or injury, or when they are no longer able to lead a good quality of life. Euthanasia is usually carried out by a veterinarian who administers a lethal injection or other method to quickly and painlessly end the animal's life.

Euthanasia is a controversial topic and is not always the best or only option for animals in need of care. Some people believe that euthanasia should only be used as a last resort, after all other options for treatment and care have been exhausted. Others argue that euthanasia can be a compassionate and humane option for animals that are suffering and have no chance of recovery. Ultimately, the decision to euthanize an animal should be based on the individual circumstances and the best interests of the animal.

Humane euthanasia is also known as, The Final Act of Kindness.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**INDEMNIFICATION AND DEFAMATION PROTECTION**

By signing below, I, \_\_\_\_\_ (ADOPTER) agree to indemnify and hold harmless Seeded Faith Farm Rescue and its employees and volunteers from any and all claims, actions, or suits that may arise as a result of my actions or inactions in relation to the care and handling of the animal(s) adopted from Seeded Faith Farm Rescue.

This indemnification includes, but is not limited to, any injury or damage to persons or property caused by the animal(s) and any legal fees incurred in defending against such claims, actions, or suits.

This indemnification statement protects the animal rescue organization, Seeded Faith Farm Rescue, from any legal responsibility for any injury or damage that may arise as a result of the actions or inactions of the individual signing the indemnification statement in relation to the care and handling of the adopted animal(s). It is important to note that this indemnification does not necessarily protect the individual signing the indemnification from liability if they are negligent in their care of the animal(s). It is always a good idea to carefully consider the responsibilities and risks associated with pet ownership before adopting an animal

Signature of adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I (ADOPTER), agree not to engage in any actions or communications that could be considered slanderous or defamatory towards Seeded Faith Farm Rescue or its employees or volunteers. This includes, but is not limited to, making false or derogatory statements about the organization or its employees or volunteers in any public forum, including online platforms. I understand that any violation of this agreement may result in legal action being taken against me.

This statement prohibits individuals from making false or derogatory statements about Seeded Faith Farm Rescue or its employees or volunteers. It is important to remember that defamation is a serious matter and can have significant legal consequences. It is always best to communicate honestly and openly with others, and to avoid making false or misleading statements about individuals or organizations.

Signature of adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

“Defamation” is the act of making a false statement about someone or something that damages their reputation. There are two types of defamation: libel, which refers to written or published statements, and slander, which refers to spoken statements. In order for a statement to be considered defamation, it must be published to a third party, and it must be shown that the statement caused harm to the person or entity being defamed. It is important to note that opinions and statements of fact that can be proven true are not considered defamation.

A “false statement” is a statement that is not true. It is a statement that is made with the intent to deceive or mislead, or that is made without regard for the truth. False statements can be made orally, in writing, or through any other form of communication. It is important to be careful about the information that you share and to make sure that you are accurately representing the facts. Making false statements can have serious consequences, both legal and personal, depending on the context in which they are made.

I (ADOPTER), understand these terms and definitions and that this agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan, and any legal action arising out of or in connection with this agreement shall be brought in the courts of the State of Michigan.

Full Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## WAIVER OF LIABILITY

By signing below, I (ADOPTER), acknowledge that I am adopting an Animal (“adopted animal”, ”animal”) from Seeded Faith Farm Rescue on a voluntary basis. I understand that there are inherent risks associated with the ownership of any animal, including the risk of injury or damage to property. I agree to assume all liability for any such injury or damage that may be caused by the adopted animal. I release Seeded Faith Farm Rescue and its employees and volunteers from any and all liability for injury or damage caused by the adopted animal. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Seeded Faith Farm Rescue and its employees and volunteers from any and all claims, actions, or suits that may arise as a result of injury or damage caused by the adopted animal.

This waiver of liability protects the organization from any legal responsibility for any injury or damage caused by the adopted animal. It is important to note that this waiver does not necessarily protect the individual signing the waiver from liability if they are negligent in their care of the animal. It is always a good idea to carefully consider the responsibilities and risks associated with animal ownership before adopting an animal.

I (ADOPTER), understand that participating in the adoption of this animal carries certain inherent risks and dangers. I recognize that these risks may include, but are not limited to, physical injury, illness, death, and property damage.

I hereby voluntarily assume all risks associated with my participation in this activity or event, and I release and hold harmless Seeded Faith Farm Rescue and it’s employees and volunteers, from any and all claims, liabilities, damages, or expenses that may arise from my participation.

I understand that this waiver of liability is binding and irrevocable, and that it will continue to be in effect for the duration of my participation in this activity or event. I confirm that I have read and fully understand the terms of this waiver, and that I am signing it of my own free will.

Full legal name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## **PRIVACY POLICY**

We, Seeded Faith Farm Rescue, are committed to protecting your privacy and personal information. We will not release your personal information to any third parties without your consent, except as required by law.

We collect personal information from you when you fill out any animal adoption application form. This information may include your name, contact information, and any other information that you provide.

We use your personal information to help place rescued animals in the best homes possible, communicate with you, etc. We do not sell or rent your personal information to any third parties for marketing purposes.

We take reasonable precautions to protect your personal information from unauthorized access, alteration, or destruction. However, while we use paper for the majority of our agreements/forms/applications, no internet transmission is completely secure, and we cannot guarantee the security of your personal information.

If you have any questions or concerns about our privacy policy or the use of your personal information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

To signify that this is understood please initial here; \_\_\_\_\_

## **CONFIDENTIALITY CLAUSE**

The parties agree to maintain the confidentiality of all information and materials provided by the other party in connection with this contract. This includes, but is not limited to, financial information, business plans, and personal information about employees, volunteers, and clients. The receiving party shall use this information only for the purposes of fulfilling its obligations under this contract and shall not disclose it to any third party without the prior written consent of the disclosing party. The obligations of confidentiality under this clause shall survive the termination of this contract.

This clause establishes a duty of confidentiality on the part of the receiving party, requiring them to keep certain information confidential and not disclose it to third parties without the disclosing party's consent. It also specifies the types of information that are covered by the confidentiality obligation and provides that the obligation will continue after the contract is terminated.

To signify that this is understood please initial here: \_\_\_\_\_

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## AGREEMENT OF NON-REFUNDABLE ADOPTION FEE

This Agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into on the date of acceptance by Seeded Faith Farm Rescue (the "Adoptee" or the "rescue") of the terms and conditions set forth below by the Adopter.

- 1 Parties. This Agreement is made and entered into by and between \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Adopter") and Seeded Faith Farm Rescue (the "Adoptee").
- 2 Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the terms and conditions under which the Adopter will adopt \_\_\_\_\_ (the "animal"), from Seeded Faith Farm Rescue.
- 3 Adoption Fee. The Adopter agrees to pay Seeded Faith Farm Rescue the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Adoption Fee") for the adoption of the animal. The Adoption Fee is 100% non-refundable after 14 days of the adoption date and all adoption fees are considered a donation thereafter.
- 4 Payment. The Adoption Fee shall be paid in full at the time of the adoption of the animal.
- 5 Warranties. Seeded Faith Farm Rescue represents and warrants to the Adopter that:
  - (a) Seeded Faith Farm Rescue is the lawful owner of the animal and has the right to adopt out the Animal to the Adopter;
  - (b) the Animal is in good health; and
  - (c) the Animal has not been used for breeding purposes.  
(Breeding purposes only constitutes certain species of animal)
- 7 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior agreements or understandings, whether written or oral.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

[Name of Adopter] \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Seeded Faith Farm Rescue (rep signature) \_\_\_\_\_

## ANIMAL RETURN POLICY

We want you to be completely satisfied with your animal adoption. If you are not satisfied for any reason, the adopted animal may be returned to the rescue at any point, if an animal is returned within 14 days of the adoption date a 50% refund may be issued (50% of the adoption fee is non-refundable, no matter the circumstances). The animal must be in good health and free of any injuries or illnesses that have developed since the adoption.

To initiate a return, please contact us.

We reserve the right to refuse any refunded adoption fee, that do not meet these conditions. If the animal is returned in poor health or with injuries, behaviors, or illnesses that were not present at the time of adoption, we reserve the right to withhold any part or all of the adoption fee.

Please note that we do not offer refunds for veterinary expenses or other costs that may be incurred after the adoption. It is the responsibility of the adopter to provide proper care for the animal.

We encourage you to ask any questions and discuss any concerns you may have before completing the adoption. Our staff is available to provide information and guidance to help you make an informed decision.

Any animal that is adopted from Seeded Faith Farm Rescue may **NOT** be; **SOLD, AUCTIONED, REHOMED, EXPLOITED, ETC, TO ANY OUTSIDE OR OTHER PARTIES.** All animals must be returned to Seeded Faith Farm Rescue no matter the duration of the adopters ownership and at no cost to Seeded Faith Farm Rescue.

**Should this policy and its terms be violated, Seeded Faith Farm Rescue reserves the right to terminate this entire contract and its agreements as well as persuing prosecution for any violation.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## FINAL STATEMENT

I (ADOPTER), understand and promise to contact *Seeded Faith Farm Rescue* if any adopted Animal(s) must be returned, I understand that it is **against** these terms to **REHOME, RESELL, SEND TO AUCTION, ETC** any adopted rescue equine(s) and should this contract and its terms be violated this WILL result in immediate legal action against me (ADOPTER(S)). Any unwanted/needed/ or otherwise not working out Animal(s) must be returned to the rescue and at no expense to the rescue. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

I (ADOPTER), promise that this contract is true and factual and I understand that any false, slanderous, and defamatory statements can result in immediate removal of all the adopted equine(s) from my facility and can also result in legal action against me (adopter), by *Seeded Faith Farm Rescue* and/or its legal representative(s). I have read, understand and agree to the Adoption Requirements for Adopters, and agree to abide by them all. I (adopter), understand that if *Seeded Faith Farm Rescue* has any questions or or concerns or if there are any discrepancies in my agreement to the contract, *Seeded Faith Farm Rescue* may decide to do a formal background check.

**This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be subject to and shall be construed and interpreted under the laws of the State of Michigan. The parties hereto shall consent to jurisdiction of the courts of Lapeer County, Michigan for all purposes and for any disputes arising under this Agreement.**

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**Primary Adopter Signature (must be original to be valid)**

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**Printed Name**

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**Secondary Adopter Signature**

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**Printed Name**

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**Date of Application**

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**Seeded Faith Farm Rescue signature of approval**

I (ADOPTER), understand that should any changes be made to this contract by the rescue in the future that all new contract/term additions be applied automatically to this contract or that I reread and agree to Seeded Faith Farm Rescue's terms for adoption. Should I have a grievance with said terms, I will contact the rescue regarding my concerns with any updated contract terms.