

Saddle Up! Horse Interest/Adoption Process

Thank you so much for showing interest in adopting a Saddle Up! horse. Saddle Up! horses are very special. They have worked this special job as a therapy horse for part of their life, and in most cases have had a job before! Retired Saddle Up! horses are looking for a loving, forever home with great care. Horses retire from Saddle Up! with different needs and different levels of use.

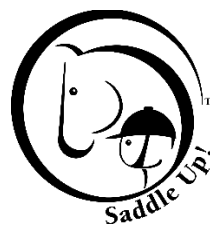
Throughout the horse's career at Saddle Up! staff, volunteers, and participants may form a bond with specific horses and would like to adopt them when they are ready to retire. In this scenario staff, volunteers, and participants may fill out the Equine Adoption Interest Form to express interest in a horse when they retire and add their name to others interested. Saddle Up! will not accept Interest Forms on horses who are still in training.

When the horse retires and becomes eligible for adoption, Saddle Up! will always follow up with the previous owners, if they have asked for first right of refusal before reaching out to those that have filled out the Equine Adoption Interest Form. If the previous owners are not able/interested in rehoming the horse, then Saddle Up! staff will follow the interest list order based on when the forms were received. When an interested applicant is up for review, we will follow the step by step process below for adopting a Saddle Up! horse.

Here is the step by step process of adopting a Saddle Up! horse.

- Step One: Completely fill out and submit the Saddle Up!'s Horse Adoption application. The application is 3 pages long with a series of questions. Answer each question to the best of your ability and as honestly as possible.
- Step Two: A site visit will be completed at the place the equine will be moving to, whether it be a personal stable or boarding facility. This site visit can be conducted as a scheduled walk through or through pictures and video taken no more than 1-month prior of the horse arriving on the adopter's property or boarding facility.
- Step Three: Transportation to the adopter's facility will then be scheduled. Saddle Up! will can provide transport within a reasonable distance. If the transportation of the horse is further than what Saddle Up! can haul the adopter will be responsible for transportation of the horse. The scheduling of the drop off will be when it is most convenient for both parties.

Saddle Up! 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 equine that is adopted.



Saddle Up! Horse Follow-Up Process

Saddle Up! has invested lots of love, time, and money into their horses prior to their retirement and we expect the same care to be provided by the Adopter. Because we care about them so much, there will be a follow up process on the horses adopted from Saddle Up!. The process is explained below.

- Adopters must submit photo or video evidence of the horse along with a short update on their condition at 3 months, 6 months, and 12 months after the adoption.
- Saddle Up! reserves the right to schedule a visit with the horse after the adoption, if necessary.
- If the equine that was adopted from Saddle Up! is being poorly or mistreated, Saddle Up! will notify the proper channels, such as local animal control or a rescue.
- Saddle Up! reserves the right to rehome an equine that is not receiving proper care.
- Saddle Up! asks that adopters not sale, lease, rehome, or send any horses to slaughter that were adopted from Saddle Up!.
- In the event the adopter can no longer care for the horse, Saddle Up! asks the adopter to notify us before any major changes for the horse.
- Saddle Up! also requests that adopters contact us in the event that the horse passes away.