

Leinster Horse and Pony Rescue Adoption Application Form (AAF1)



Our primary objective here at L.H.P.R is to re-home the horses and ponies that pass through our gate into suitable, caring and loving homes. These equines in many cases have been fully rehabilitated. **We will only rehome to premises that have an Equine Premises Registration Number (issued by Department of Agriculture).**

We encourage all horse lovers to consider the option of rehoming a horse or pony from our facility. It is always a hugely rewarding experience. More than ever, we need long term homes for our horses and ponies. If you are in a position to give a loving home to one of our beautiful rescues, do get in touch by filling out our loan home application form.

We only accept applications of permanent and forever homes.

If you cannot accommodate the equine when you or your child transitions to a larger pony/horse, please do not apply as your application will be rejected.

The rehoming process at L.H.P.R is quick and easy. If you are filling in this form you have already completed the first parts of the process which was the online questionnaire and the meet and greet/riding assessment. Now this form is the second part of the process. If this form is approved and both parties agree to continue with the adoption process, then the next step is a the home check. If the home check is passed there is just one more step... The exciting part – taking your friend home and signing the adoption “loan” agreement.

Horses adopted from Leinster Horse and Pony Rescue (L.H.P.R.) MAY NOT under any circumstances be SOLD or GIVEN AWAY or legal ownership changed. Selling/Giving Away Adopted Horses violates the Adoption Agreement and **violators will be prosecuted**. You must also **NEVER EVER** move an equine to another location without prior permission and inspection from LHPR (even if it is only for a short time or if it's a short distance away).

While we do not offer “trial periods” we are happy to foster the equine to you with the view of adopting. The foster period of foster with the view to adopt is strictly twelve weeks. Once this form is completed, we will be in touch if we have something that is suitable (unless submitted for a particular equine), to arrange a home visit.

We appreciate this is a lengthy form however, it is purely to safeguard the equines future and welfare.

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A non-refundable adoption donation is required for all ponies, horses and donkeys we rehome. These adoption donations are vital to the running of our charity and without your support we could not continue to do what we do.

Category	Non-Refundable Adoption Donation (€)
Donkey/Mule	€200 minimum
Shetland pony (under 10hh)	€200 minimum
Unbroken pony (over 10hh, under 14.2hh)	€300 minimum
Broken pony (over 10hh, under 14.2hh)	€650 (we send our equines off to be broken, and incur costs for this)
Unbroken horse (over 14.2hh)	€400 minimum
Broken horse (over 14.2hh)	€750 (we send our equines off to be broken, and incur costs for this)
Special needs/OAP	Discuss with your adoption coordinator

All fees are SUBJECT TO CHANGE

When you receive the animal, it will already have its teeth done by our qualified equine dental technician, have its feet done by our master farrier. They are also vaccinated against tetanus and flu, received a de-lice treatment, vetted and are micro chipped with a valid passport. They will also be on a strict worming program so will be fully up to date with worming.

*Please note this is a minimum donation, you are more than welcome to give a greater donation – as all donations go directly to the running of the rescue centre. The donation is based on the ability of the equine at the time of application (unbroken, broken or companion). **These are non-refundable.**

Data Protection Statement

Leinster Horse and Pony Rescue will process your personal data for the purposes of achieving the stated objectives of rescuing, rehabilitating, and re-homing equines in need and any associated fundraising activities to provide for their care. It is our policy not to transfer your data to any other organisations*.

LHPR uses a secure online system designed specially, for animal rescue groups and animal control agencies. This online system stores all its information on servers that are hosted in an ISO 27001 certified data centre in London to comply with GDPR requirements. **Information is held for the duration of the adoption; it is then destroyed.**

* From time-to-time Leinster Horse and Pony Rescue may disclose information to third parties such as the Department of Agriculture Food and Marine, An Garda Síochána and Local Government (City and county councils).

This will only be done upon them submitting a request to us.

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The Horse's Welfare is our Foremost Concern – L.H.P.R. Reserves the Right to Refuse Adoption to Anyone

Please fill in ALL fields on this form. Please fill in BLOCK CAPITALS.

Date:	Your full name:
Mobile Number:	Landline Number:
Email address:	Physical mailing address:
Physical address Eircode:	Address where equine will be kept:
Eircode of where equine will be kept:	Your current occupation:
Date of birth:	GDPR Contact In: Please circle which method you wish for you to contact you by
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Email Phone SMS Post </div>

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Horse Ownership Information

How many horses do you/have you owned?	
Do you own any animals other than horses?	
Have you discussed at length with other family members (if applicable) about taking on a new horse? And have you considered the extra workload that another horse will incur?	
Have you ever adopted a horse from a rescue centre/pound/shelter/SPCA? If yes, which one? Where is that horse now?	
Who will be the primary carer? If not you, please give details?	
What practice(s) do you employ when correcting negative behaviours?	
Proposed activities. Please circle the option(s) and be open and honest when doing so.	Companion only Light hacking Daily riding Driving Schooling Family Pony Show Jumping Cross country Eventing Showing Dressage Pony Club Childs Pony Trail Riding Police/Garda Force Live Hunting Fox Hunting Sulky/Harness Racing
If you are applying for a riding horse, please state your height and weight	
Are you applying for a specific equine? If so, please state the equines name.	
Do you plan to work with a trainer? If so, please state trainers name and phone number	
Any stallions on the premises? If yes, how many	
Would you move an LHPR equine to another location?	
Would you change the ownership of an LHPR equine?	
Are you rehoming this equine for a child or young adult?	
If you answered yes to the above, what would be the plan for the equine when the child or young adult outgrows the equine or when the equine becomes too small?	

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What do you consider your level of expertise in caring/working with horses?

PLEASE CIRCLE AS APPROPRIATE

Beginner: New around horses, comfortable riding at a walk, limited – no horse care knowledge

Advanced Beginner: Comfortable at walk and trot, limited knowledge, but can recognize signs of illness.

Intermediate: Comfortable at all gaits, can handle horses that test rider, able to treat minor wounds

Experienced: Comfortable handling difficult horses in various environments / situations.

Very Experienced: Previous experience training horses and / or in handling green horses.

Stabling Information

Will you be keeping the equine at a facility that you own / rent / or at livery?	
If leased or at livery, please provide a letter of permission from landowner/yard owner and please provide their name and number	
What is the total acreage at this facility? A minimum of one-two acres per equine is required.	
The exact address of where the equine will be kept (plus Eircode)	
Please describe the security measures you have in place against the theft of equines:	
How many other equines share this grazing?	
Does the field have shelter? please describe	
How many stables are available? please describe	
What type of fencing do you have? How high is it?	
Please describe the arrangements in place for drinking water	
Are you financially prepared to provide proper veterinary, farrier, emergency care, etc?	
Are you aware that you will be responsible for all costs associated with the equine?	
Do you vaccinate your horse/pony? when was the date of last vaccine?	FLU & TETANUS
Are you aware that you will be responsible for the insurance of this animals' health and public liability?	
Are you aware that we will conduct a home visit before you are approved to adopt one of our equines?	

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Have you or any member of your family / household been accused, issued a warning / fine, or been convicted of any crime including animal cruelty, negligent care of animals? If yes, please explain	
Are you aware, as the adopter you are responsible for collecting the horse yourself: <i>If you are not able to transport the horse/pony, then LHPR will charge an agreed amount to cover diesel & volunteer costs. SUBJECT TO CHANGE</i> 0KM-50KM - €60 51KM – 100KM - €80 101KM – 300KM - €100 301KM & Above - €120	
If the animal is to die in your care, what would your plan be to remove the body?	
Are you aware of and agree to, the terms and conditions in which we adopt our equines out under?	<input type="button" value="READ IN FULL"/>
Are you aware, as the adopter you must give L.H.P.R a non-refundable donation before taking the animal? donations are non-refundable.	<input type="button" value="SEE PAGE 2"/>
The horse/pony will be visited by L.H.P.R at an announced/unannounced time (s) throughout the year in its adopted home by an L.H.P.R Welfare Officer. I agree to allow an L.H.P.R Welfare Officer onto my land to visit the horse/pony in question? One-two courtesy phone calls per year will also take place to ensure everything is as it should be. I agree to accepting these phone calls?	

Your Equine Premises Registration Number (EPRN) Also referred to as herd number	<div style="border: 2px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
Under Irish legislation anyone who is the owner/person in charge of any premises in which horses or other equines (such as donkeys, ponies etc.) are kept are now required to register their premises with the Department. Registration is through the local Department's Regional Offices. Application forms on which to register may be obtained from the Department's regional offices or from the Department's Animal Health Division, tel. 01 6072466 or from the Department's website: www.agriculture.gov.ie . Any applications without this number will be automatically refused.	

References & Professionals you plan on using

Veterinarian's name and phone number (must provide 24 hour cover)	
Farrier's name and phone number:	
Equine Dentist name and phone number:	
Trainer (behaviorist) name and phone number:	
Provide one personal referee, not related , who can vouch for your Horse care abilities (name, number and capacity you know them in)	

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**In signing this form you agree to / understand the following:
(please read thoroughly). These are subject to change with or without notice.**

- **ALL EQUINES WILL REMAIN THE LEGAL PROPERTY OF THE CHARITY (LHPR)**
- **If for any reason I am unable to keep the equine, I will contact LHPR immediately.**
 - Feed, stable and attend to the equine to the Organization's satisfaction.
 - Provide adequate shelter (either a stable, barn, field shelter or other manmade shelter)
 - Provide adequate and appropriate pasture, with safe and secure fencing, for the equine.
 - A minimum of one-two acres per equine is required. Daily turnout essential
 - Provide qualified veterinary treatment in the case of injury or illness and inform the organization of any serious injury or illness to the equine.
- **In the event of the equine's death, you must alert us within 12 hours of the death, contact the relevant fallen animal collection service and a death certificate from a veterinary surgeon must be given to the Organization within 7 days of the equine passing. You must also return the passport to us immediately, so we can declare the animal deceased.**
- Ensure that the animal is adequately covered by third party insurance.
- Keep the equine at the premises that were inspected by the Organization prior to placement and not move the equine to other premises without prior inspection of the new premises and permission from the Organization.
- Provide regular worming and routine/yearly vaccination against equine flu and tetanus.
- Passport should be stamped and kept up to date by the attending vet.
- Ensure that feet are trimmed and/or shod regularly by a Registered Farrier. (every eight weeks)
- Have a registered equine dentist attend the animal every six to twelve months minimum
- You as the adopter is fully responsible for all costs associated with the equine including emergency veterinary bills
- **Not to breed from the equine.**
- Not to use the equine, or permit the equine to be used, for hunting live quarry.
- **Notify the Gardaí/Police and the Organization within 24 hours should the equine become lost, stolen or missing.**
- That any foal born to the Animal (providing that the Animal shall be female) shall belong to LHPR which shall be entitled to take such foal at any time at the organisation's discretion
- **Permit an official of the Organization to visit my premises from time to time to check the well-being of the equine – we have the right to enter your premises at any given time to check on the well-being of an LHPR equine**
- **Should any of your contact details change please get in touch with LHPR immediately to have them updated.**
- Allow the Organization to repossess the equine if, in the Organization's opinion, the terms of this agreement are not being adhered to.
- If Euthanasia is recommended by a veterinary surgeon, the Organization must be contacted before this is done, unless delay would result in unnecessary suffering for the equine. If there is a question of choice, lethal injection is preferable to humane killer.
- I agree and understand that whilst LHPR gives as much information as possible, they do not always have a complete history of the equine and cannot therefore, guarantee temperament, behaviour, or health of the equine.
- After a period of six months the adopter will receive the animal's original passport. Up until this six-month period, LHPR will keep the passport. Each year at an agreed time with you, this passport will be inspected to ensure its contents (in particular vaccine information) is up to date. If the vaccine information is not up to date, the passport will be revoked, and the equine may be removed from your care. In the event of the equine's death, you must also return the passport to us immediately, so we can declare the animal deceased on the national equine database. **The passport remains in the name of LHPR**

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- I confirm that I am over 18 years of age.
- Under the Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013, I have a legal responsibility for the above animal and any animal.
- By adopting and taking possession of the equine, you assume all legal responsibility for any loss or damage sustained by you or any third party which is caused by the equine. You agree by signing a legal form (adoption agreement) to indemnify LHPR and hold us blameless against all claims by yourself and against yourself by any third parties in respect of such loss or damage.
- **LHPR and its appointed representatives, reserve the right to visit your home without prior notice to check on the adopted animal's welfare and also reclaim the equine if in their opinion it is being cared for in a way that is not conducive to the LHPR aims. It is envisaged an in-person check will take place once a year – in addition to a courtesy phone call, either every six months or once a year.**
- LHPR are not responsible for any veterinary / farrier / dentistry costs and will not reimburse you for same even in the event of the equine having to be returned to LHPR, regardless of reason.
- **Adoption donations are non-refundable – this is not negotiable.**
- In the event of an equine having to be returned to LHPR due to medical reasons – we do request a veterinary report.

The Leinster Horse and Pony Rescue has a zero-tolerance policy on breeding, if an adopter is found in breach of this policy, the equine will be immediately removed from the premises of the adopter and we will seek prosecution for violating our policy. We also have a zero-tolerance policy on moving equines to another location without our prior permission. ***In these cases, the passport must be surrendered back to LHPR at the same time.*** **Equine refers to a horse, pony, donkey or mule.**

ALL applicants must submit the following: (a copy of)

- ✓ Proof of ID (Passport OR Current Driving Licence)
- ✓ Proof of current address (dated within last six months).

Confirm you are submitting your proof of ID and a proof of current address:

Yes () No ()

These will be scanned to our secure system and held for duration of the adoption. **Then destroyed**. **THE ABOVE IS MANDATORY.**

Potential Adopter Signature:

Print Name: Date:

Official LHPR Signature:

Print Name: Date:

NOTES:

This form needs to be approved. It does not guarantee acceptance as an adopter.

Please post form to us (address on first page)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND FOR CHOOSING TO REHOME FROM LHPR.

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