

Adopter Name: _____ Date: _____ Horse ID: _____



**Least Resistance Training Concepts, Inc.
(LRTC)
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2004 Virginia Range (Comstock) Adoption Agreement

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY, SIGN AND DATE WHERE INSTRUCTED

Least Resistance Training Concepts, Inc. (LRTC) provides adoptions for Nevada State Estray horses found in Storey, Washoe, Lyon Counties and on private lands. Nevada State Estray horses will be adopted under LRTC's criteria and field checks of adopters' facilities may be conducted at any time by an appointed representative of LRTC .

FACILITY AND CARE REQUIREMENTS

Corral:

Corrals must be a minimum of 400 square feet. The material may be wood, lodge pole, plank, steel pipe, steel channel panels or horse (no-climb) fence. No barbed wire is allowed. Minimum height is 5 ft. for gentled horses and horses under 18 months of age. Minimum height is 6 ft. for ungentled horses.

Shelter:

Shelter to protect the horse from sun, driving rain and wind shall be provided that is appropriate for the climate where adopted horses will be kept. The shelter shall include an appropriate windbreak, suitable drainage and should be easily cleaned.

Food and Water:

Good quality grass or meadow hay is sufficient for horses or burros, but a mixture of grass/alfalfa, or oat mix is also acceptable. Straight alfalfa is not recommended as it is too "hot" and for these animals and can cause founder. ***We recommend that you feed hay in a container and not directly on the ground.***

Grains should be limited. An apple or carrot is a good treat or reward, but most wild horses are unsure of what they are a first, so several tidbits or shavings put into their hay container will help acquaint them.

A trace mineral salt block must be provided at all times.

Fresh water must be provided on a daily basis. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT FROZEN WATER IN WINTER MUST BE BROKEN morning and night. Watch the water level carefully to make sure the horse is drinking. (They should consume at least 5-10 gallons per day).

ADOPTION FEES:

Minimum adoption fees for ungentled horses are \$150.00 for mares, geldings and young colts of both sexes, \$250.00 for prison trained horses and \$25.00 for mature intact studs, aged animals and horses that have been injured and require special care.

Adoption costs are not the only expenses that should be considered before you decide to adopt. Additional expenses will also include veterinarian fees, farrier fees, vaccinations, insecticides, feed, tack, supplements, training and grooming supplies.

TRANSPORTATION:

Horses may be picked up the day of the adoption or arrangements can be made to hold the animals for pickup. Board will be charged for animals held for pickup.

The trailer cannot have openings of such size that would encourage the animal to attempt an escape. Large openings must be covered. Stock trailers are appropriate for ungentled animals. Straight load trailers are appropriate for gentled horses that have been taught to trailer and for weanlings. Manger sections need to be covered when transporting weanlings as they tend to jump onto the manger looking to escape.

We do not recommend transporting horses in bad weather or high winds. You must be able to back completely up to your corral or construct an unloading chute, since wild animals can manage an escape route if given only a few inches.

Horses will not be released into trailers that appear to be dangerous or in poor condition.

ADOPTION AGREEMENT:**No Warranties Specified or Implied:**

The Nevada Department of Agriculture, the Comstock Wild Horse Gentling Program, the Nevada Department of Corrections and LRTC make no implied warranties as to the marketability or fitness for any particular purpose of any horse offered in this program.

There is also no guarantee from the Comstock Wild Horse Gentling Program, the Department of Agriculture, the Nevada Department of Corrections, or LRTC as to the soundness of limb or organ of the horses. Adopters should pay close attention to the animals being considered and make their selections accordingly.

Age, physical description and other information provided by the State of Nevada are the best determinations made when the animals are being processed. No guarantees as to the accuracy of any descriptions and information are expressed or implied.

Examination of the horse prior to adoption is the sole responsibility of the prospective adopter. In the event that the adopter relinquishes the horse to the adoption agency

during the first year of possession and prior to receiving title, the adoption agency may refund any monies paid, but is not obligated to do so.

Method of Payment:

All accounts must be paid in full at the time of the adoption. Payment may be in the form of cash or a personal check. Checks should be made payable to Least Resistance Training Concepts, Inc. (or "LRTC".)

Compliance:

The horse must be maintained in good condition in a compliant facility. Horses not properly kept may be repossessed by an agent of the State of Nevada. Adoption fees will not be refunded for repossessed animals.

Additional Information:

Horses may be boarded at holding facilities at a rate of \$2.50 per day up to two weeks. Commencing on the 15th day boarding fees will increase to \$5.00 per day. All boarding fees are due and payable prior to taking possession of the horse.

LEGAL TERMS OF ADOPTION:

All adopted estrays remain the property of the State of Nevada under observation by the registered adoption agency for a period of one year. The adopter may not sell, give, transfer or otherwise dispose of the adopted animal(s) without express written permission of an authorized State agent. The registered adoption agency must be kept notified as to the location where the horse is kept. If the horse is verified to be in good condition at the end of the adoption period the adopter may apply for title of ownership.

After one year of adoption, Adopter will be mailed an Application for Title. This application must be executed and returned to LRTC within 60 days or Animal(s) will remain the property of LRTC and will be subject to repossession by LRTC.

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE HERE IF YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THESE CONDITIONS.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

DESCRIPTION OF HORSE(S):

Identification No.: Sex: Age: Description:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Driver's License #: _____ State Issued: _____ Email: _____

Home Telephone : _____ Business or Day Phone: _____

Address or location where the animal will be housed, if different from above:

Authorization by property owner granting permission to board an estray horse:

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Describe the facilities: Wood _____ Panels _____ Other Fencing (type) _____

_____ Height: _____ Approx. square footage: _____ (Length x width)

Describe Shelter: _____

Is running water available on property? _____ Type of water container:

Name of veterinarian? _____ Telephone:

Name of farrier? _____ Telephone: _____

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CHARGED WITH AND/OR CONVICTED OF ANIMAL ABUSE?

Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, please provide an attached detailed explanation.)

Under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada, I testify that I am of legal age (18) and the statements and representations made on this application are true and correct to my best knowledge.

Signature of Adopter: _____ Date: _____