

Re: Application to Accept (Horse) to the TRF Program

Dear _____:

As discussed, I am enclosing herewith the TRF *Application for Acceptance* form. Please complete this form and return it to me at the address listed on the form, together with a recent photograph(s) of _____.

TRF is totally dependent upon donations. Therefore, transportation of horse to the TRF facility must be the responsibility of the applicant except in unusually difficult circumstances or if TRF is able to arrange donated transportation by a commercial or private horse shipper.

Additionally, we have developed the following protocol for acceptance of horses into the TRF program:

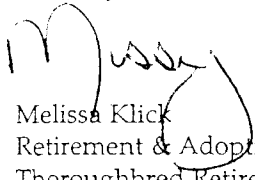
Protocol for Retirement of Thoroughbred Racehorse with TRF

(This protocol is meant to serve as a guideline to the Acceptance Committee when deciding to accept a horse to the TRF.)

1. Horses at the racetrack or at risk of going to the slaughterhouse are given first priority.
2. Except in unusual circumstances former racehorses, now sport-horses, are only accepted if they can go directly to an adoptive home without spending time at a TRF farm
3. Broodmares are only accepted if they have a racing record andd the owner shows financial reasons why the broodmare cannot live out her life on the breeding farm.
4. Horses should be pasture sound.
5. Horses should be gelded.
6. If the applicant is financially able, they have agreed to give an annual donation to the TRF in the amount deemed appropriate by the committee. (usually \$3.00 per day)

We look forward to receiving your completed application including proof of negative coggins.

Sincerely,



Melissa Klick
Retirement & Adoption Coordinator
Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation - National

Enclosure

