

Information and Explanation on Rehoming an Equine from IHRP

The IHRP rescues Equines intended for slaughter in Irish pounds. We then rehabilitate and rehome Equines to a permanent home. We take great care that any Equine rehomed by us is in good health. It will be vetted, treated for worms, receive farrier attention (where required) and have its teeth checked. By the time an Equine is fit to go to a new home a considerable amount of time and money has been invested in it. IHRP is slightly different from other organisations as once you have agreed to take on an Equine, it is placed in your ownership, with your name recorded on the passport. So we request that the applicant make a donation of at least €250 for rehoming an Equine. In the event you no longer wish to keep that Equine, please be advised that you must change the details on the passport to reflect the details of the new owner (now a requirement by law under new Regulations coming into effect 1st July 2104) and notify IHRP of same

The Application procedure is as follows:

- Anyone interested in rehoming an Equine, must read this information in full and complete the attached Application Form. It is essential to provide **references, which will be checked.**
- If the applicant is deemed suitable, we talk to the applicant by phone to discuss a possible match with an Equine.
- If the applicant decides to proceed with the rehoming arrangement we will contact the applicant's referees.
- If these are satisfactory we will arrange a visit to the premises where the Equine will be kept in order to carry out a **Home Check**. Please note that sufficient grazing and stabling / shelter are a requirement in all cases.
- If the applicant is interested in a particular Equine and are deemed to be suitable for that Equine we **arrange a visit** to the yard to be introduced to the Equine.
- We allow **24 hours** for the applicant **to consider** the application and whether they want to go ahead.
- If successful the IHRP and the applicant **sign a legally binding contract**, laying down the terms and conditions of the rehoming. This is devised to safeguard all concerned, particularly the welfare of the Equine involved.
- Once the contract is signed and the **appropriate fee is paid**, the Equine will be registered in the applicants name and the passport shall be obtained.
- **We can provide transport** of the Equine to the new owner's home.
- While there is **no legal requirement for IHRP to take back an Equine** although a request for same may be considered at the discretion of IHRP.

We want our Equines to live out a happy and useful life, which they deserve and are grateful to those people who are prepared to help us do that.