



Canadian Society for the Andalusian Horse

Dedicated to the welfare of the Andalusian Horse in Canada
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CSAH Adoption Policies

1. CSAH will only approve adoptions based on the best situation for the horse. Adopters must clearly understand that because these are rescued horses, CSAH may not be able to provide any history or background information for them prior to their rescue. It is our policy to disclose everything we learn about a particular horse while s/he in our care, including behavior we observe, handling or training issues we uncover, and veterinary concerns. But there is still a degree of risk involved in adopting a rescue horse because of the inherent lack of background information. Ideally, CSAH is looking for adopters who primarily want to give a good home to a horse in need, and are understanding and accepting of that horse's potential limitations.
2. Adopters are required to be able to provide their horse with these minimum [Shelter and Care Guidelines](#).
3. Potential adopters of CSAH horses are asked to submit to a site inspection prior to adoption approval. A CSAH representative will meet with the adopter at the location where the horse will be kept to assess that all the minimum requirements of the [Shelter and Care Guidelines](#) are met.
4. It is CSAH's policy that mares and fillies adopted from CSAH may not be used for future breeding and all stallions and colts will be gelded before they are offered for adoption.
5. CSAH wishes to maintain contact with adopters of CSAH horses throughout the horse's lifetime. We would love to receive regular updates and photos on how the horse is doing.
6. Adopted horses may not be moved from their approved location or leased out to a third party without our approval during the first year after adoption.
7. CSAH is seeking permanent, lifetime homes for our horses. We realize that situations may change and the need to rehome may arise, however we do not adopt out to homes specifically looking for re-sale prospects. Our policy is that adopters may not sell, lease, trade or transfer the horse to another party without written permission from CSAH. Provided the new home meets our adoption criteria, we will approve the request and we will ask the new owner/guardians to sign a CSAH adoption agreement. The goal is not to disallow an adopter from selling a horse, it is simply to ensure that a previously rescued horse never ends up in a bad situation again.
8. CSAH reserves the right to remove an adoptive horse from any situation in which the horse is not being cared for properly (not meeting the minimum [Shelter and Care Guidelines](#)) or is deemed unsafe. This right extends for the life of the horse.



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9. CSAH welcomes and encourages first-time horse owners to apply for adoption. We do ask that there be an experienced horse person available to provide guidance to the first time horse owner and help when needed. Our first priority is assuring that both the horse and the adopter will be safe.

10. CSAH reserves the right to reject any applicant for any reason and we are not obligated to share those reasons.