



Guardian Agreement

Purpose of Guardian Role

The Guardian Program allows individuals to build a deeper connection with a specific horse while assisting in its physical and emotional development through consistent groundwork and care.

Guardian Responsibilities

Guardians are expected to work with their assigned horse 2–3 times per week for a minimum of 30 minutes per session. Work should focus on groundwork, relationship building, and exercises that benefit the horse's physical and mental well-being.

Training & Direction

All work must be performed under the direction of Peaceful Pastures leadership and trainer guidance. Guardians agree to follow all instructions and approved methods when handling and working with the horse.

Horse-Specific Rules

Under the direction of the Founder and Trainer, rules, restrictions, and handling guidelines may be assigned to an individual horse if it is in the best interest of that horse. These rules will be determined collaboratively by the Founder, Trainer, Sponsor, and Guardian. All parties agree to follow any such guidelines.

Care & Feeding

Peaceful Pastures provides daily care including feeding, turnout, stall cleaning, and individualized grain programs based on each horse's needs. Guardians may assist but are not responsible for primary care unless directed.

Safety & Conduct

Guardians must follow all barn rules and safety procedures at all times. Proper footwear is required. Unsafe behavior will not be tolerated and may result in immediate termination from the program.

Minor Policy

Under no circumstances may children walk horses in or out. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times when around horses. Individuals must be at least 16 years old to be present around horses without a parent or guardian.

Limitations of Role

The Guardian role does not grant ownership, riding rights (unless explicitly approved), or decision-making authority over the horse. All decisions remain with Peaceful Pastures.

Final Authority, Safety & Governance Clause

Peaceful Pastures Equine Sanctuary retains sole and final authority over all decisions pertaining to the care, handling, and use of any horse. Activities may be restricted at any time for safety. The Board of Directors may review decisions; however, Peaceful Pastures retains final authority in all matters. Remember why we are here — for the horses.

Acknowledgment

By signing below, the Guardian acknowledges understanding and agreement to all terms within this Agreement.

Guardian Name:	Date:
Signature:	
Parent/Guardian (if minor):	