

# South West Florida Horse Rescue, Inc.

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## **VOLUNTEER KEEPS THIS SHEET**

## **VOLUNTEER DETAILS**

The following form is an application to volunteer at South West Florida Horse Rescue hereinafter referred to as “**SWFHR**”, by which the for mentioned name hereinafter referred to as “**Applicant**”, has an interest to voluntarily, free of coercion by way of monetary and/or other reimbursements, provide services and/or labor to any and all needs of SWFHR. There is no commitment to duration of efforts made by the Applicant.

Volunteer efforts may commence after orientation / meeting with the Volunteer Coordinator. Applicant will always sign-in to the ‘*Volunteer Log*’ when performing any type of volunteering.

The current rules that apply to Volunteers are as follows as well as any stated in person by Coordinators:

- A) The minimum age expectation for volunteers is 18 without guardians. Under legal guardian consent 16 and anyone under 16 an adult guardian must be present.
- B) **Do not** bringing pets of any kind as this may cause unexpected problems with the equines at the Rescue.
- C) **No** feeding of equines of any foreign items unless pre-approved by Coordinators.
- D) **Do Not** enter any fenced area unless you’ve been approved to do so.
- E) **Always** close gates to include the main gates behind you and use the chain clasps.
- F) Pick up all trash behind you and any you may find while at the Rescue.
- G) Personal items are the Volunteers responsibility. SWFHR is not responsible for any loss of personal property, yet if any items are found that don’t belong to the Volunteer it is requested that they turn it in to a Coordinator. SWFHR will mark it and date it so as to hopefully return the item to the owner.
- H) Visitors may be accompany a Volunteer but will have to fill out a ‘Liability Release Wavier’ before any activity to include showing them around.
- I) Children may accompany you as long as someone watches them at all times and they remain orderly. Absolutely no children under 16 in any fenced in area containing equines allowed unsupervised by Coordinators.
- J) **Do Not** go any further into the house at the Rescue than the volunteer room.
- K) **No** climbing through wires to access any fenced area. Some of the fencing is electric!

If the Applicant is volunteering while earning community service or credit hours, an organizational “Service Timesheet Form” will be provided in said Applicant’s “Volunteer Packet”. If the creditor of the Applicant allows SWFHR’s organizational form to be validated the Applicant will use this form for service hours. If the creditor has their own form, it is up to the Applicant to arrange all prior approvals with his/her own creditor then bring SWFHR the validated form to be kept for service hours.

After (6) six months of volunteering at SWFHR the organization will request the Applicant fill out a review of their time as a volunteer to better service the organizations day to day operations and gain insight to better use of volunteer efforts.

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## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SHEET (Please Print Neatly.)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Orientation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: _____	Birth Year: _____	Are you under 18? Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>   No: <input type="checkbox"/> If yes.. Guardian must sign the liability release.
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Address: _____	City, State, Zip Code: _____
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Contact Phone: _____	Cell Phone Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>   No: <input type="checkbox"/> Do you accept text messages? Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>   No: <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupation: _____
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Email: _____	Months Available: All Year: <input type="checkbox"/>   Part Year: <input type="checkbox"/> (Month Range: _____ To: _____)
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Please provide (2) references and their phone numbers:

Name:	Name:
Relation: _____	Relation: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____

Please fill in the blanks under the days you are available, with the times you will be available.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
AM							
PM							

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Expectations:** What do expect to do at the rescue? (i.e. Grooming, Cleaning the grounds, Event help, Building, Fundraising, Administrative work, barn cleaning... these are to mention a few things.)

The following questions are for the safety of our staff and other volunteers, this information will remain confidential:

1. Do you have horse experience or currently own a horse? Yes  | No   
...if so explain? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you ever volunteered for any organization before? Yes  | No   
...if so who, when, and for how long did you? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What are you allergic to? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What are your hobbies or interests? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What should we know about you? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Have you ever been:
  - a. Convicted of a felony? Yes  | No  ...if yes explain: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Convicted of a sexual offense? Yes  | No  ...if yes explain: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Convicted of animal cruelty or neglect? Yes  | No  ...if yes explain: \_\_\_\_\_
7. How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

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Ent Date: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_



