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Dear Seller, Welcome!

Here you will find some important information to help you navigate through this exciting and at times nerve wrecking process as smoothly and openly as possible.

**STATEMENT FOR PRE-PURCHASE EXAM:** A pre-purchase examination is a thorough physical examination stating an opinion of the horse on the day of the exam. The guidelines we follow in doing the examination are current with the standards set by the veterinary profession.

The exam is performed for the buyer and not the seller. It is the buyer's responsibility to inform the veterinarian of the intended use of the horse and what past history they know. The buyer must also inform us of what radiographs, blood work (CBC, profile, Coggins, drug testing), or diagnostics are to be performed. Purchase examination fees can be expensive, and it is the buyer's option to decide what is to be done in a particular case. If a professional is acting as an agent for the buyer, he or she should be aware of what diagnostics are to be performed.

When performing a pre-purchase examination, we are asked to give an opinion as to whether a horse has any indications of problems. We cannot predict the future of any horse. Also, horses can develop problems very quickly even minutes before the exam and minutes after (like a hoof abscess, sprain a leg, or hurt themselves in other ways). We try to give the best opinion possible from examining the horse on that particular day at that moment. Horses are like people in that they have different pain tolerances. Therefore, it is impossible to be certain on any day that no sub-clinical problem exists. It should be understood that the veterinarian does not issue a warranty on any particular case, and if one is desired, this should be contracted with the seller.

The seller is responsible for providing truthful information regarding the horse and disclosing all veterinary medical records existent. Seller must realize that all information or diagnostics obtained during the examination and discussions relating to these findings are privileged information between the veterinarian and the buyer (purchaser) or his or her agent(s). This information can only be made available to the seller with the consent of the buyer.

The horse will not receive a "pass" or "fail." The decision to buy can only be made by the buyer. Only the buyer is able to decide if the horse's talent, suitability, disposition, or value meet his/her satisfaction. Please discuss any questions regarding the exam with us before making any final commitments.

You may save, print, fill out and return these by scanning/emailing them, taking a photo/texting them, or any other convenient method. These must be completed before the date of the examination.

### TO BE COMPLETED BY SELLER: Seller Pre-Purchase Exam Form

Seller's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Seller's Agent (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Barn Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB/Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Microchip / Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address for the day of the exam: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you owned this horse? \_\_\_\_\_

What have you used this horse for? \_\_\_\_\_

What level would you classify the use as for the discipline? \_\_\_\_\_

How much riding/training has this horse had in the past 3 months: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your assessment of this horse's suitability for the buyer's intended use? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse ever been presented for a Pre-Purchase Examination prior to today, if so, please explain? \_\_\_\_\_

What is this horse's current diet (hay, grain and turnout)? \_\_\_\_\_

What supplements is this horse on (in feed or injectable)? \_\_\_\_\_

When was this horse's last dental float? \_\_\_\_\_

When was this horse's last trimming/shoeing? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this horse need to have pads on his feet? \_\_\_\_\_

When and what was this horse's last vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse always resided in North Carolina? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability. If you answer YES please provide an explanation with a brief description and dates in the provided area at the end.

Has this horse had any surgeries? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse had any joint injections? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse ever had an episode of colic? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse ever had an episode of diarrhea? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse ever had "tying-up" or severe muscle soreness? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse ever had any dental problems? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse ever been diagnosed with neurological problems? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse had any history of respiratory problems? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse had any history of nasal bleeding? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Has this horse had any history of excessive or not enough sweating? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_



I, the undersigned, certify that I am the owner or authorized agent of the above-described horse and authorize a veterinarian of 3H Equine Hospital to perform a pre-purchase examination to assess the horse's health status prior to sale.

Name of Seller or Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Seller or Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**IF SELLER OR AGENT IS A PAST OR CURRENT CLIENT OF 3H EQUINE HOSPITAL PLEASE READ AND SIGN BELOW:**

### Sellers Acknowledgement to Perform Prepurchase Examinations

A potential conflict of interest may exist when a veterinarian from our practice performs a pre-purchase examination on a horse owned by a current client. In this circumstance, the examining veterinarian is engaged by and acts solely in the interest of the purchaser.

Because our practice may possess prior medical records and history for the horse, the examination will be conducted with full disclosure of all available information. As a result, we may have a more comprehensive understanding of the horse's medical background than other parties.

By signing below, the seller authorizes 3H Equine Hospital and the examining veterinarian to release all available medical records related to the horse to the prospective purchaser and any individuals the purchaser designates.

The seller further acknowledges that all findings, communications, and opinions resulting from the examination are confidential and privileged between the veterinarian and the purchaser (or the purchaser's agent). Such information will only be shared with the seller upon the purchaser's consent.

By signing below, the seller confirms that they have read and understand the above statements and agree to hold harmless 3H Equine Hospital and the examining veterinarian from any actual or perceived loss in the horse's present or future value arising from the examination or opinions rendered.

Signed by Seller: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Seller's Name: \_\_\_\_\_