**HORSE PURCHASING QUESTIONS**

**This form is to ensure that the buyer is as informed as possible when purchasing a horse. This form is not breed/age/disciple specific. Feel free to add any questions of your own as well.**

**For sellers, we recommend filling out this form and sending it to all prospective buyers.**

1. What is the Age/Breed/Height of the horse? Click here to enter text.

2. Does he Clip, Bathe and Crosstie? Click here to enter text.

3. Do you need a twitch or sedation to clip him? Click here to enter text.

4. Has he been trailered? If so, how often and how is he in the trailer? Click here to enter text.

5. Does he Crib? Click here to enter text.

6. Has he/she ever coliced? If so has he ever needed colic surgery? Click here to enter text.

7. If this horse is a mare, how does she act while she’s in heat? Click here to enter text.

8. Do you currently have this horse on any supplements? If so, which ones. Click here to enter text.

9. Is this horse sound? If so, what maintenance do you perform to keep this horse sound? Click here to enter text.

10. Do you have any past or current x-rays of this horse? If so, will you release them to my veterinarian? Click here to enter text.

11. Will you release all veterinary records? Click here to enter text.

12. Do you mind if my veterinarian does a pre purchase exam? Click here to enter text.

13. Will you allow me to take this horse on a trial? Click here to enter text.

14. How long have the current owners owned him? Click here to enter text.

15. What type of feet does this horse have? Click here to enter text.

16. What Type of Shoes Does He Wear? How often does the farrier need to come out to see this horse? Click here to enter text.

17. How are his legs, are they strait? Click here to enter text.

18. Is he Cinchy? Click here to enter text.

19. What kind of bit do you use? Click here to enter text.

20. Does he buck, bite, kick, rear, bolt? If so, what causes him to do this? Click here to enter text.

21. Has he been out on actual trails? If so how often has he gone out and what is his behavior like? Click here to enter text.

22. When he spooks, what does he usually do? Click here to enter text.

23. Does He Pin His Ears? Click here to enter text.

24. What type of stall manners does this horse have? Click here to enter text.

25. Is he good with beginners? Click here to enter text.

26. What’s his personality? Click here to enter text.

27. What type of rider is best suited for this horse? Click here to enter text.

28. What type of rider is not suited for this horse? Click here to enter text.

29. What are the things that bother this horse? Click here to enter text.

30. Has this horse been exposed to both outdoor and indoor arenas? How is he riding in each? Click here to enter text.

31. Does this horse prefer to be in the arena by himself or with other horses? How is he in each situation? Click here to enter text.

32 Has this horse been shown? If so at what level? Click here to enter text.

33. Has this horse been shown at facilities where he stayed overnight for a few days? If so how did he do at those shows and how was he staying overnight? Click here to enter text.

34. Do his manners change at shows? Click here to enter text.

35. How much lunging is required at shows? Click here to enter text.

36. Does anything bother him at shows? Click here to enter text.

37. What is the best thing about him or her? Click here to enter text.

38. What is the worst thing about him or her? Click here to enter text.

39. Why is this horse for sale? Click here to enter text.

40. Is this horse registered and are the registration papers in the sellers name? If not, does the seller have the right to sell this horse and are there any liens on this horse? Click here to enter text.

Thank you for answering these questions. This questionnaire is not meant to be a “witch hunt” and The Horseaholic realizes there is no such thing as a “perfect” horse. This is just a way for the buyer to be as informed as possible when making their decision to purchase a horse. I also encourage Sellers to fill out the answers to these questions in advance and send them to prospective buyers. If there are any “deal breakers” in the answers, this will eliminate a lot of wasted time talking on the phone or having people try your horse. For buyers, just remember…all horses have issues (and so do all riders), the question is can you live with the ones this horse has!

To read the full article about the reasons behind these questions visit:

<http://thehorseaholic.com/these-are-the-questions-you-should-be-asking-when-buying-a-horse/>