



Adopt-A-Foal & Equine Rescue, Inc.

Committed to making a difference...

Adopt-A-Foal & Equine Rescue, Inc. is recognized by the US Treasury as a 501(c)3 Non-Profit, Volunteer Organization dedicated to reducing the suffering and senseless slaughter of orphaned foals in the United States. Our intent is to create an overall awareness of the plight of Nurse Mare and PMU foals and to educate the public, especially the youth, to discourage the needless elimination of foals for future generations. We will strive to maintain a loving, healthy and safe environment to craft a positive new beginning for orphaned foals. We will carefully review all applications for adoption and do our best to select adoptive homes that will meet the needs of both the foal and prospective owner.

AAFER, Inc. is a non-salary based, non-profit organization which means your donations are not going into our pockets, but 100% to the benefit of the foals/equine that we offer for adoption. Our corporate headquarters is in Magnolia,

Texas and housing facility is located in Dayton, Texas.

What are Nurse Mare Foals?

Nurse Mare Farms have been around for many years, but only recently has the public become aware of the details of how some of these farms operate. A nurse mare foal is conceived for the sole purpose of bringing its mother into milk once it is born. Seldom are the nurse mare and her foal allowed to remain together and bond as the milk she is producing is to be used to nourish another mare's "more valuable" foal. These "more valuable" foals are usually thoroughbreds. The gestation period for horses is 10-11 months, so a thoroughbred mare can give birth to one foal each year provided she is re-bred immediately after delivering a foal. The Jockey Club requirements stipulate that a thoroughbred mare cannot be artificially inseminated therefore she may have to be transported, as soon as 7-10 days after giving birth, to a stallion's farm. The newborn racing foal is unable to accompany its mother because transporting it is far too risky, so a nurse mare is hired to raise the thoroughbred foal. The nurse mare's foal is left behind, without anyone to feed and care for it, often to die or be slaughtered.

What are PMU Foals?

The PMU Industry manufactures medication to provide postmenopausal women with hormone replacement therapy (HRT) to offset the symptoms of menopause. This medication is derived from the urine of pregnant mares. There are reputable PMU farms but there are also those that are not. Mares are impregnated and left for six or more months of their gestation period in standing stalls (some stalls are only three and a half feet wide) tethered to a "urine collection device" with little to no exercise or positive human contact. The mares are taken off their UCD just prior to foaling and allowed to foal in

outside paddocks. Once again, the innocent foal is considered a byproduct often left to die or be slaughtered.

Regardless of whether it is a Nurse Mare or PMU foal, the outlook is mostly grim. The fashion and textile industries may use their hides as "pony skin" or they go to meat auctions, or resale agents, and are sold to foreign countries that consider the meat a delicacy.

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- Consider adopting or sponsoring a foal/horse.
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- Become a Business Supporter in our recycling program.
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