



Rabbit Fosterer

ROLE SPECIFIC INFORMATION

We need fosterers to care for rabbit/s in their own home whilst they are waiting for adoption or if they need care before being ready to go up for adoption. Some of the reasons Rabbits may need foster care are:

Neutering - Rabbits may stay a few days in foster care whilst they are neutered before being ready to look for a new home.

Socialisation - Some rabbits come into our care after being neglected and may not have had much human contact. Being in foster care allows a rabbit to have special attention and help it overcome its fear of humans.

Medical Care - Many rabbits come into rescue with medical problems that need treatment before they can be rehomed.

Pregnancy & Babies - Pregnant rabbits or babies to young to go to new homes are often housed with fosterers so they have a quieter environment and plenty of special attention.

Benefits to people

Fostering animals can also be a pleasurable experience. It's rewarding to know that you played a key part in the rehoming process when a foster animal is successfully rehomed.

It also gives people who would normally be unable to take in an animal long term due to other commitments, with an alternative.

Benefits to animals

Animal fostering is an important role. It helps to play a vital part in the rehabilitation of animals and hugely helps improve their chance of finding a new home.

Living with a foster family helps to provide them with one-to-one care and allows them to build up their confidence and get used to a normal lifestyle. Our Foster carers help us to observe and evaluate the behaviour and progress of animals they look after to help the Animal Rescue Officer make sure the pets are placed where they will fit in and lead happy lives.

The welfare of animals is always our top priority, so although qualifications are not necessary, some animal care experience is preferable. Access to transport is also essential to enable vet visits etc.

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All potential foster homes must have their own animals vaccinated, with up-to-date vaccination cards, before a Wadars animal can be placed with them.

How Does Animal Fostering Work?

Anyone interested in fostering will be visited by the Animal Welfare Officer to talk through what is needed and to ensure that the foster home is appropriate for the animal that they are fostering.

Wadars keep records of foster carers and lists the type of animal each person is able to take. This is why it's important that foster homes are carefully checked and approved so we can find the best matched for the animals and the fosterers before animals can be sent to them.

Wadars will supply all of the animals requirement and pay for any animal related expenses, e.g. veterinary treatment and equipment (i.e. cages) food, flea and worm treatment etc. Please be aware that potential adopters may need to visit the Rabbit at the Foster home. We will of course contact you and arrange the visit at a mutually convenient time.

Summary

The fostering of animals from home is an extremely rewarding but time-consuming job. As with all animal-related experiences, there are happy endings and sad stories, but if you live within 10 miles of Worthing and can commit to this you will have made a difference, for more information please contact us on volunteers@wadars.co.uk with your contact details and we will be in touch.

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