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## Save-a-Pet Rules & Guidelines for Group Volunteers

Group coordinators are required to make a booking at least a week in advance. No booking = no volunteering.

Volunteers are to report to reception on arrival at Save-a-Pet.

All new volunteers are to sign the Indemnity form. Volunteers under 18 years of age will need to have a guardian sign their indemnity form. (Form can be emailed to the group coordinator ahead of time)

Groups under 17 years of age will need enough adult supervision accompanying them.

Casual volunteers will be asked to assist with cleaning, gardening and maintenance. Interacting with animals (e.g. grooming, walking dogs etc.) is reserved for trained volunteers.

Volunteers must abide by the instructions and direction of the staff at Save-a-Pet, as well as the protocols that have been implemented.

Volunteers are not to enter isolation rooms/runs, puppy pens or other restricted areas.

Volunteers are to behave in a manner that reflects well on Save-a-Pet and are to be polite to members of the public.

Volunteers are not to knowingly place themselves, staff, other members of the public or the animals at risk of injury or harm.

Should a volunteer notice that an animal is unwell or something else is wrong (e.g. limping) they must please report it to the Save-a-Pet staff.

Volunteers are responsible for their own bags, valuables etc.; and Save-a-Pet will not be responsible if these items are tampered with, destroyed or stolen.

Shouting/screaming, running around etc. will cause the animals to become over excited. Volunteers are to please walk and talk in a calm manner.

Save-a-Pet reserves the right to ask volunteers who violate the rules, are being disruptive or engaging in risky behaviour to leave the premises.

Please let us know beforehand if you would like a member of staff to give a talk to the young volunteers about our work.

## PLEASE NOTE:

Be sure to bring along refreshments. If the charity shop is open there are cold drinks and water to purchase. Otherwise we only have tap water.

Wear clothing you don't mind getting dirty and comfortable shoes.

We recommend wearing a cap and sunscreen.