

Conditions of adoption

Please note the following re homing policies of the RSPCA Danaher Animal Home. You are required to click on the accept button below to acknowledge that you understand the terms and conditions of adopting an animal through our centre. Thank you for your co-operation.

1. We are looking for long term, permanent homes for animals in our care and we need to be sure you can provide such a home. This means we have to ask questions about your personal circumstances.
2. Please note that all payments are non-refundable. Please think carefully before putting a reserve on one of our animals.
3. If you see an animal that you like, but it is not currently available for re-homing, we can take your details as an 'Interest' for that animal. We do not work on a 'first come, first served' basis – we try to find a home that is best suited to each individual animal. Due to the high numbers of public we have visiting our centre we only call 'Interests' who have been selected to meet the animals. If you do not hear from us, please feel free to call us or come back to the centre and we will be more than happy to help you to find your perfect pet.
PLEASE NOTE: We are not obliged to disclose the reasons why people are not successful.
4. We do not normally re-home to families with children under 3 years old, however families with children under 3 may be considered at our Managers discretion.
5. All Allergies must be declared on the application form
6. If you live in rented accommodation, we will need to see a copy of your lease to confirm that you are allowed to keep a pet. If it is unclear from your lease, we will require a written letter from your landlord.
7. We do reserve the right to refuse an animal adoption under certain circumstances.
8. All members of the household must come to the Animal Home before an animal can be reserved for you. This includes any existing dogs coming to meet a proposed new dog. We will normally 'hold' (temp reserve) the animal of your choice for you for up to 1 week (acting manager's discretion) to allow everyone to come along and agree the new addition. We will also take a deposit of £15.00 (this is non-refundable)
9. Once everyone has met and the staff are happy, this can then go to a full reserve and we will take a further deposit of £40.00 (this is also non-refundable). We will then put you through for a home check.
10. A form of identification will be required to be shown before we can put you through for a home check. This can be a driver's license, utility bill, etc.
11. A Home Checker will need to visit you at home before you can adopt an animal. They will contact you directly to arrange this. The home checkers are volunteers so this can take up to 10 days but the home checkers do try and complete them as quickly as possible.
12. All existing dogs or cats in the household should normally be neutered and vaccinated.
13. Dogs are pack animals which need a lot of company and should not regularly be left alone for long periods at a time. We assess our dogs as best to our ability in which we feel they would cope with being left. Young animals need almost constant company, particularly puppies as they need help with socialization and house training.
14. A secure garden or exercise area for dogs is essential.
15. Adoption will not be considered if you have holiday plans within the next two months.
16. Veterinary fees can be expensive and adopters need to be able to meet the costs of both routine and emergency care. We strongly advise you arrange appropriate pet insurance cover to help cover emergency costs.
17. Any veterinary costs incurred once an animal has been adopted are the sole responsibility of the adopter and we can offer no guarantee as to the future health of any animal. However we will make you aware of any conditions we find. Please note that the centre will not carry out any dental work which is deemed to be cosmetic.
18. Within your adoption folder you will receive a routine medication form to say when your new pet has had routine products and also any vet sheets they may have occurred whilst at the centre.
19. We will expect you to continue to seek medical advice for any illness and keep up with routine preventative treatments e.g. worming, vaccinations, flea treatment.
20. All our animals are passed on in good faith and have received a health check on arrival (any concerns are passed onto our consulting vet). They are believed to be in normal health on leaving the centre except where specific conditions have been made known to the adopter. Therefore it is regretted that the Danaher Animal Home is unable to accept liability for any expenses or costs of any kind arising from sickness or injury of any nature developed by the animal (whether or not any known existing conditions or symptoms of the animal are made known to the adopter prior to this agreement) and the responsibility for and cost of future treatment shall be borne to the adopter.
21. All dogs must leave the centre with a lead and collar with an identity disc. You can order one from the centre which will be delivered to your address within 2-5 days. Collars, leads and walking aids can also be purchased from the centre and the profit made comes back directly to the centre, to benefit the animals here.