

ANIMAL FOSTERING* FORM

***Temporary** care and housing of an animal in the care of Fisantekraal Animal Welfare.

Foster care is temporary, and Fisantekraal Animal Welfare (FAW) is the ‘owner’ of the animal/s.

If the animal/s being fostered is/are up for adoption, the foster guardian will work with FAW to find a permanent, loving home when the animal is ready for adoption. This includes allowing potential adopters to meet the animal/s (with prior notice), either at their home or elsewhere, and to answer the potential adopters’ questions about the animal/s. The foster will need to stay in contact with FAW. Should the foster guardian decide that they wish to adopt the animal/s permanently they will contact FAW in order to discuss this. **THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

We know this is a long form that will take a little time to read through but it is intended to ensure the best fit between foster and animal, and to ensure that everyone is aware of all the procedures. Thank you for your time!

Date: _____ **Volunteer name:** _____

Potential adopter/foster’s name: _____

Phone _____ **Email:** _____

Physical address: _____

Animal (type, name, details – if applicable): _____

Do you have any preferences regarding age, sex, species, etc? _____

If yes, please provide details (e.g. dogs/cats, male/female, age, etc): _____

****Will you be providing your own food or do you require assistance from FAW?** _____

Is there a specific length of time you are able to foster the animal/s for? _____

Just a few more questions to help us pick the right foster for your home!

Have you adopted / fostered from any animal welfare before?	
Are there already any animals on property? Details needed: sex, age, breed, etc	
Are existing animals sterilised? If not, why not?	

Are the existing animals vaccinated?	
Will the foster animal be left alone during the day? If so, for how long?	
Is anyone in the household allergic to animals?	
Is everyone in the home aware and happy that an animal will be fostered?	
Where will the animal sleep (inside / outside)?	
If outside, what shelter is provided?	
Are animals allowed inside at all?	
Is the yard fenced/walled?	
Is there a pool/fishpond? If so, is it enclosed/netted/covered?	
Is there a garden or yard?	
Has there been Canine Distemper, Canine Parvovirus, Feline Leukaemia, FIV or any other contagious animal disease on the property within the last year?	
How many people stay here & are any of them children (ages)?	
How often are animals fed?	
Type of house (flat / house / farm / room in a house / townhouse)	
Do you rent or own? If rental, are pets permitted? (Proof of permission required.)	
Dogs: Will they be taken for walks?	
Cats: If they are allowed outside, is the road busy?	
Are you aware that fostering are subject to an approved home check or approval from another reputable animal welfare?	
Are you able to assist with meetings between potential adopters and your foster pet?	

NOTES

Please read the below carefully in order to make sure that you fully understand all of the terms, conditions and expectations before signing. **The purpose of the agreement is to protect the health and welfare of the foster animal. FAW wants to ensure, as much as is reasonably possible, that the foster guardianship is as pleasant as possible for both guardian and animal/s.**

1. The foster guardian undertakes to care for and make part of the family, this/these animal/s for the entire length of the agreed-upon foster guardianship period.
2. The foster guardian agrees to keep FAW regularly updated about the animal/s.
3. The foster guardian will ensure that the animal/s is/are comfortable and safe, with the necessary, accessible shelter, and that ample fresh water and food are available every day.
4. The animal/s will not be chained, tied up, or confined, nor will it/they be mistreated in any way. The animal will not be surgically altered (e.g. tail docking or ear cropping) in any way, except for sterilisation or other necessary surgery arranged by FAW.
5. The foster guardian will ensure the health of the animal/s, including seeking veterinary treatment if necessary, and vaccinating and sterilising the animal/s (at FAW's cost).
6. Fostered dogs to wear a collar and identification tag at all times.
7. Should the foster animal go missing FAW is to be notified immediately. The foster guardian undertakes to do everything possible to find the animal and to keep FAW updated in this regard, i.e. contacting nearby vets, animal welfares, registering them as missing with an official organisation, including Petfinders, Cape Town Lost & Found Pets, etc.
8. Should the foster animal pass away or need to be humanely euthenised for any reason, FAW is to be notified immediately.
9. Puppies and kittens will complete their vaccinations and deworming, and be sterilised at approximately 6 months of age (mandatory). This will be covered by FAW, although foster guardian may be required to take the animal/s to the appointment.
10. The animal/s, particularly puppies and kittens, will not be left alone for long periods of time.
11. Under no circumstances will the animal be homed, sold, or given away by the foster guardian.
If, for any reason, the foster guardian is unable to keep or care for this animal, or a potential dopter has been found by the foster guardian, they will contact FAW.
12. The foster guardian will ensure that the property is safe for the animal/s. This includes, but is not limited to, secure walls/fences, covered/fenced pools or ponds, and removing health risks.
13. The foster guardian will inform FAW of any change of address or contact details.
14. FAW representatives will be permitted to make follow-up visits to check on the animal/s and to contact the foster guardian to find out about the animal/s wellbeing and progress.
15. FAW does not pay foster guardians to look after animals**.

Fisantekraal Animal Welfare (FAW) warrants the following:

1. **Should the foster guardian require assistance regarding food, and other necessary items such as collar, bed, etc. FAW will provide these on request.
All veterinary treatment during the foster stay will be covered by FAW at a veterinary practice of FAW's choosing in the Durbanville/Bellville area at welfare rates. Should the animal/s require veterinary treatment (e.g. illness, injury), the foster guardian will contact FAW immediately to arrange this.

2. FAW is not responsible for costs arising from injury or damage incurred on fosters, their family, friends, existing pets, or property by FAW animals, either during viewing or during foster guardianship.
3. Puppies and kittens under 6 months of age will be sterilised at 4 - 6 months of age by and at a FAW-approved veterinary practice.
4. FAW vouches that, to the best of our knowledge, the animal/s is/are healthy at time of foster guardian. If there are health issues of which FAW is aware, this has been declared to the potential foster guardian.
5. The wellbeing, happiness, and safety of the animal/s are of paramount importance to FAW, and all regulations are for its/their benefit.

I, _____, have read the above and understand that this foster guardianship contract is legal and binding. If the terms of this contract are violated, the abovementioned animal will be removed from my home by FAW.

Signed foster guardian) _____

Date: _____

Signed (FAW representative) _____

THANK YOU for the wonderful gift you are giving to help animals – you are making an enormous difference, both now and in the future!

Should you have queries, concerns or need assistance, please contact us.

Please send your completed form to info@faw.za.org or give it to the person who does your home visit. Thank you!