

Volunteer Role Profile

Role Title:	ADCH Standards & Animal Welfare Assessor
Responsible to:	Standards and Animal Welfare Committee, with liaison via ADCH's staff team
Location:	The volunteer's local region and, by agreement, other regions.
Time commitment:	Volunteer hours are negotiable; however, we expect Volunteer Assessors to carry out the equivalent of two-four assessments per year
Role description:	The main role of the volunteer will be to support ADCH's Strategic Priority to raise standards across the sector. They will do this by assessing prospective and existing Members, against the ADCH Minimum Operational and Welfare Standards, and supporting prospective and existing members during assessment visits. They may also be asked to help with mentoring and training of new assessors and other tasks relevant to the assessor role.
Key tasks:	<p>These include but are not exclusive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To carry out new member application assessments • To carry out existing member assessments as part of the ongoing support work of the ADCH for members • From completed assessments for new members to make a recommendation on accepting applications • To recommend action plans to assist remedying areas that are found to be less than fully compliant • To offer support and guidance to new and existing members during the assessment, including signposting of member benefits and grant funding opportunities • To highlight any concerns from the assessment to the Committee to review.
Required skills, qualities and experience	<p>We are looking for a volunteer who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has relevant and sufficient experience, within the animal welfare sector, to apply the minimum standards within the context of an unfamiliar animal rescue/rehoming organisation • Is sufficiently familiar with the minimum standards, their genesis and evolution and of the importance of the standards in delivery of good animal welfare • Is experienced in operational or related management within a dog/cat rescue/rehoming centre • Is able to commit to conducting the equivalent of a minimum 4 assessments per year.
Training and support available:	You will be responsible for attending all training made available to assessors as part of your Continuing Professional Development.
Recruitment process:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form • Interview • References • Induction