

ADCH Full Membership Application Form

ADCH Full Membership Criteria and Pre-Assessment

Full Membership is available to registered charities with an appropriate and relevant status and objectives in their country of origin in the UK or Ireland. All Full Members undertake rescue and / or rehoming in the UK and / or Ireland and may, in addition (but not wholly), import. Full Members have the right to vote.

We have recently amended our questions to include additional questions about use of commercial boarding facilities and foster carers. This is to speed up the process of assigning assessors to carry out assessments against our Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards

Please confirm you /your organisation meets the following criteria for Full Membership. *

Registered charity and working in the British Isles and/or Republic of Ireland

Directly involved in and carrying out the rescue and/or rehoming of dogs and/or cats

Have read, understood and consider the rescue compliant with the Association's published Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards. Be ready for an external assessment by ADCH to confirm compliance before admittance to the Association (for more information, please see [here](https://adch.org.uk/minimum-standards/))

Comply with all current animal welfare related legislation in the jurisdiction within which they operate

Operate on a non-commercial basis

Only import dogs or cats from other territories: If these have been legally imported in a manner that meets all applicable transport and health requirements; and have had the relevant vaccinations (including those not necessarily mandatory by the exporting or importing country); and the organisation ensures all dogs are behaviourally assessed and documented as suitable and safe to rehome to a British Isles environment prior to transport; and has a plan in place in case the rehoming of an animal is not successful; and not involved in any importation that does not meet the above criteria.

Sympathetic to and compatible with the values of ADCH

Declare that they are not aware of any Trustees or Senior Staff Members with any previous convictions for animal welfare offences

Before progressing with your application please ensure you have the following documents ready to upload: *

A copy of the organisation's constitution or other governing document.

Two years of accounts. Where accounts are not available (i.e. for newly formed organisations), recent bank statements for all bank accounts are acceptable.

Your charity registration number

Contact details of two existing Members who can endorse your application. If you are unable to find two existing ADCH Members, please provide details of two veterinary practices or any local authorities that you work with (such as holding stray contracts). For veterinary practices, the person giving the reference must be a qualified veterinary surgeon. Please seek permission from your referee before

sharing their contact details with us.

1. Your Details

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Role/Job Title *

Email *

example@example.com

Contact Telephone

Area Code

Phone Number

Mobile Telephone

2. Organisation Details

Name of Organisation *

Operations/Correspondence Address *

Street Address

Street Address 2

City

County

Website *

Facebook Address

Twitter Address

LinkedIn Address

Charity Registration number *

Company Reg No. (If applicable)

Year Organisation Was Founded *

Please list any professional bodies or other animal welfare schemes of which your organisation is a member (e.g. RSPCA branch, Kennel Club Breed Rescue, Battersea Animal Partners)

3. Finance Details

Organisation Financial Year-End *

Month Day Year

Gross Annual Income (most recent financial year) *

Treasurer Name *

Treasurer Email *

Finance Address (if different to address provided above)

0/255

4. Operational Details

No. of Full-Time Staff *

No. of Part-Time Staff *

No. of Volunteers *

What Types of Animals Does Your Organisation Care For? *

Cats

Dogs

Approximately How Many Dogs Do You Rehome Annually? *

How many dogs do you have in care as of today? *

Approximately How Many Cats Do You Rehome Annually? *

How many cats do you have in care as of today? *

What Type of Work Does Your Organisation Do? *

Rescue

Welfare boarding

Rehabilitation

Commercial Boarding

Education

Other

Rehoming

Stray contracts

Sanctuary

Neutering

TNR

What Areas Do You Operate In? *

Channel Islands

East England

North East England

South West England

Mid Wales

South West Wales

Argyll

Edinburgh & the Lothians

Stirling & The Trossachs

Other

Ireland

East Midlands

North West England

West Midlands

North Wales

Aberdeen & Grampian

Ayrshire

Fife

The Shetland Islands

Northern Ireland

Greater London

South East England

Yorkshire and Humber

South East Wales

Angus & Dundee

Dumfries & Galloway

Glasgow & Clyde Valley

The Scottish Highlands

Other area detail

How many kennel or cattery sites are owned or exclusively leased/rented by the rescue? *

Does your organisation use any commercial/private boarding facilities? *

Yes

No

Please tell us about the boarding facilities that you use:

	Please give the name and postcode of the kennels/cattery	Is the facility licenced by the Local Authority?	On average, how many of your animals are cared for there?
First boarding facility			
Second boarding facility			
Third boarding facility			
Fourth boarding facility			
Fifth boarding facility			

Does Your Organisation Place Animals With Foster Carers In Domestic Homes? *

Yes

No

How many foster homes do you use? *

How many are usually active at any one time? *

Where are they located? Please list locations or regions covered: *

Does your rescue do any direct homing / home-to-home homing? *

Yes

No

Please give the location (city/town/postcode) of the individual who will be responsible for working with our volunteer assessors to carry out the assessment against our Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards: *

5. Importation Details

ADCH Members and new applicant organisations must notify the Board if it plans to import dogs and/or cats from territories outside the British Isles and/or subsequently in the event of a policy change

Does your organisation import or plan to import animals from outside Britain and Ireland? *

Yes

No

Please provide further details on your importation activities: *

0/255

How many animals have you imported in the last 12 months? *

How many animals are you expecting to import in the next 12 months? *

Numeric entry only

Which countries do you import animals from? *

Bosnia	Bulgaria
China	Cyprus
Egypt	Greece
Hungary	India
Italy	Macedonia
Mexico	Portugal
Romania	Russia
Serbia	Spain
Thailand	Ukraine
Other	

Detail of other countries you import from

6. ADCH Minimum Welfare & Operational Standards

It is a requirement that rescues meet the ADCH Minimum Welfare & Operational Standards and, if not there yet, the ADCH will work with and provide guidance to enable rescues to meet these where possible. Please ensure you have read the standards, a copy is available via link below. It is important that you have read and understood the Minimum Standards and answer the question, so that we can progress your application appropriately.

If you do not feel that you currently meet all standards, it is important that you let us know so that we can handle your application accordingly, and provide help where appropriate:

ADCH Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards

A representative (staff or volunteer) within the organisation has read and self-assessed the rescue against the ADCH's Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards, and believe that: *

We are fully compliant

We are not yet fully compliant (ADCH hope to provide guidance or support in addressing these with you)

Please give the name of the person in your organisation who has carried out a preliminary

assessment against ADCH's Minimum Standards: *

First Name

Last Name

Please provide further details on the areas you are not yet fully compliant *

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I understand that by progressing my application, I will facilitate an in-person assessment of our organisation against ADCH's Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards, as part of the application process

Your completed assessment report will be viewed by ADCH's Standards and Animal Welfare Committee in order to make a decision about your membership application. We aim to help as many organisations through this process as possible, and on occasion we may wish to refer outcomes from your assessment to other ADCH volunteers with specialist knowledge. Please confirm if you are happy for ADCH to share your assessment report with other ADCH volunteers beyond your initially appointed volunteer assessors: *

Yes

No

7. Compliance with Legislation

It is a requirement of membership that rescues comply with all current animal welfare legislation in the jurisdiction that they operate. Please declare below whether your rescue meets this legislation.

Does Your Organisation Comply With All Current Animal Welfare Legislation? *

Yes

No

8. Application Endorsement

Please provide contact details of two existing Members who can endorse your application. You can find a list of current Members on our website. If you are unable to find two existing ADCH members, please provide details of two veterinary practices or any local authorities that you work with (such as holding stray contracts). For veterinary practices, the person giving the reference must be a qualified veterinary surgeon. Please seek permission from your referee before sharing their contact details with us.

Referee 1: Type of Referee *

Referee 1: Name of Organisation *

Referee 1: Contact Name *

First Name Last Name

Referee 1: Role/ Job Title *

Referee 1: Email *

Referee 2: Type of Referee *

Referee 2: Name of Organisation *

Referee 2: Contact Name *

First Name Last Name

Referee 2: Role/ Job Title *

Referee 2: Email *

9. Supporting Documents and Other Information

Please provide any additional information that you think will be useful:

10. ADCH Policies

A copy of our Safeguarding policy is available via the link below. Any queries please contact enquiries@adch.org.uk
ADCH Safeguarding Policy

Can you confirm you have read the safeguarding policy: *

Yes

No

And Finally.....

Where Did You Hear About ADCH? *

ADCH Conference/Open Meeting

ADCH Grant Applicant

Communication from a Funder (please provide details below)

National Government

Social Media

Other (please provide details below)

Another ADCH Member

Battersea Academy

Communication from your national ministry (please provide details below)

Pets at Home Foundation

Web search

Other (Please let us know where you heard about us)

What Is Your Main Reason For Applying For Membership? *

Would you be happy for ADCH to pass on your contact details to grant funding bodies, if appropriate, following your assessment?

Yes

No