



THE NATIONAL ANIMAL TRUST

Registered Charity No 243707
Founded in 1965 by Daisy Murcott

ROLE DESCRIPTION FOR VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Operating in Leicester and Leicestershire, The National Animal Trust is a local registered charity run solely by volunteers. As well as promoting responsible pet ownership, we have two principal aims. Firstly, we take into care for rehoming cats and kittens that are either unwanted, straying, abandoned, or from owners who can no longer keep them due to a change in circumstances. We do not run a cattery but place our cats and kittens with volunteer foster homes until new permanent homes can be found. When finding new homes, our goal is to ensure that we match the right cat or kitten to the most suitable home, where it is going to be secure and wanted for life and, above all, where it is going to be loved and considered as a companion in a home, not just a pet in a house. Secondly, we operate a neutering scheme, providing assistance for the spaying or neutering of privately owned cats where owners are experiencing problems having this carried out (such as being unable to afford the full cost).

The role of a volunteer driver for The National Animal Trust includes the following:

- Collect, deliver and transport cats and kittens to and from private residences, foster homes and the veterinary surgery with regard to our rehoming and neutering policies.
- Deliver food, cat litter and other supplies to foster homes.
- Visit potential new owners to help ascertain the suitability of that home to adopt a cat or kitten.
- Collect donated items and collecting tins from members of the public for our fundraising activities.
- Complete all necessary paperwork required to carry out the above tasks and to deal with any associated donations as directed by The National Animal Trust.

MAIN REQUIREMENTS

- As well as a love of cats, a basic knowledge and experience of owning cats is desirable, as volunteer drivers will have to handle cats and kittens and will be asked to occasionally provide feedback on temperament, general health, etc.
- Volunteer drivers must use their own vehicle, covered by their own motor insurance. Volunteer drivers will be asked to confirm in writing that they have informed their own motor insurance company of their intention to drive in a voluntary capacity for The National Animal Trust.
- A knowledge of Leicester and Leicestershire would be an advantage.

