

Please List 3 References (No Family): SHELTER MANAGEMENT CONTACTS ALL REFERENCES BEFORE AN ANIMAL CAN LEAVE THE SHELTER PRIOR TO FOSTERING. WE WILL NOTIFY YOU WHEN YOUR REFERENCES HAVE BEEN CHECKED. PLEASE PROVIDE REFERENCES WHO DO NOT LIVE WITH YOU AND ARE NOT RELATED TO YOU. NOTE: Please ensure your references know to expect our call and that you provide DAYTIME contact numbers. We call them, or they can return our call, between 9am-4pm most days. We may also contact them via email.

1. Name: _____ Daytime Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____ Relationship: _____
2. Name: _____ Daytime Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____ Relationship: _____
3. Name: _____ Daytime Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____ Relationship: _____

Have you ever owned an animal before? Yes ___ No

If you have had animals in the past 5 years and they are no longer with you, where are they now?

Please list the animals you **currently** have in your home.

Name	Breed Species	Where does he/she stay during the day	Where does he/she stay during the night	Age	Sex	Altered (spayed/neutered)	Last Vaccination Date

As required to foster, please attach proof of current vaccinations for all animals in your home.

Where will the foster animal spend the DAY?

- Loose Indoors Crate Basement Garage Fenced Yard Loose Outdoors Kennel Run
 Tied Up Outside Other/ Explain _____

Where will the foster animal spend the NIGHT?

- Loose Indoors Crate Basement Garage Fenced Yard Loose Outdoors Kennel Run
 Tied Up Outside Other/Explain _____

If outside, how will it be contained? Cat run Leash Kennel On chain In fenced yard

Where will you keep the fostered animal when you are not at home?

- Loose Indoors Crate Basement Garage Fenced Yard Loose Outdoors Kennel Run
 Tied Up Outside Other/Explain _____

Name of veterinary clinic where your own animals have been treated or where you would take this animal in an emergency:

Veterinary Clinic: _____ Phone Number: _____

Please Check: I give permission for the veterinary clinic mentioned above to release any information that would support my suitability as a foster. ___Yes ___No

What animal traits would you find **unacceptable** in an animal you may foster (check all that apply)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> not litter trained or housebroken | <input type="checkbox"/> food aggression |
| <input type="checkbox"/> scratching at furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> barking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> destructive | <input type="checkbox"/> chasing cars/bikes/people |
| <input type="checkbox"/> jumping on counters/tables | <input type="checkbox"/> not good with children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> shedding | <input type="checkbox"/> digging |
| <input type="checkbox"/> mouthing | <input type="checkbox"/> tries to escape/run away |
| <input type="checkbox"/> jumping on people | <input type="checkbox"/> separation anxiety |

Have you been in contact with any sick animals in the past 30 days? ___ Yes ___ No

By signing below, I certify that the information I have given is true and that any misrepresentation of facts will result in losing the privileged of fostering an animal. I understand that the Restigouche County SPCA has the right to deny my request to foster an animal and I authorize the investigation of all statements in this application.

Applicants Signature _____ Date _____

Signature of RCSPCA Staff Member Receiving Application _____ Date _____ Time _____

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Verification in Pet Point (*by name, address, phone*): N/A: ___ Comments: _____

Approved ___ **Refused** ___

Team Lead Initials: _____ Shelter Committee Initials: _____ **OR** Other Board Member Initials: _____

Date Notified: _____ Notified by Staff Initials _____

Comments: _____



Guidelines for Fostering Animals of the Restigouche SPCA:

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Fostering can be invaluable as it provides the opportunity to socialize an animal, get it out of the shelter environment and give it a chance if the animal just can't adapt to the confines and the solitude of the shelter.

Expectations for Fosters:

Fosters must complete an 'Application to Foster', including references, and be 'approved'.

Fosters must have their own animals fully vaccinated and be able to proof such.

Fosters will be expected to administer any medications required, as directed by the RC SPCA.

Fosters must be prepared to accept full liability for any incidents involving the animal, while it is away from the shelter. As with all shelter animals, we have limited knowledge of this animal. Based on our observations as well as limited resources & expertise required to modify behavior effectively in a shelter, we believe this animal will do better in a foster home, so that this animal may become a better candidate for adoption. As such, the animal is leaving the care and control of the shelter and is going to the care & control of a foster. The foster now accepts all liability which may result from fostering of this animal. Fosters should NOT promote or post foster animals via their own social media. We often have situations where an animal's whereabouts, condition, etc. needs to be kept in confidence and we always want to keep the identity of fosters confidential.

Guidelines when fostering:

Guidelines for fostering Dogs/Puppies:

Once settled, it is preferred that a foster dog remain with a foster family until adopted. The change of living quarters and the sense of 'abandonment' once again, can be stressful for a dog when they go into a foster's home, only to be brought back to "live" in the shelter. Dogs can certainly be brought to the shelter during 'adoption hours' so he/she can be seen by visitors and potential adopters. Bringing fostered dogs back & forth is the responsibility of the foster. It should be made clear that there is an added demand on the foster to transport the animal back to the shelter to 'meet' potential adopters when necessary.

Dogs would need to be brought to the shelter to meet potential adopters once the adopter has been APPROVED.

SEP: Guidelines for fostering Cats/Kittens:

Once a kitten or cat is fostered, it must be adopted from the foster home and can not be returned to the general population for fear of stress-related immunosuppression viruses.

Cats would need to be brought to the shelter to meet potential adopters once the adopter has been APPROVED.

To be absolutely clear, cats or kittens, taken into foster care from either the quarantine or adoption area, can NOT be returned to the Shelter for adoption and must be adopted from the Foster's home.