



## **Volunteer role description**

### **Fosterer support volunteer**

Cats Protection is the UK's leading feline welfare charity and our vision is a world where every cat is treated with kindness and an understanding of its needs.

Cats are at the centre of everything we do and our objectives are: homing, neutering and educating people about cats and their care.

We help thousands of cats across the UK each year thanks to our network of dedicated volunteers, employees and supporters.

### **A bit about this role**

Across the UK our cats and kittens looking for new homes are cared for by volunteer fosterers in their homes or purpose-built pens in their gardens. Our fosterer support volunteers are members of the same household, creating a fostering team, who provide vital assistance and support to our volunteer fosterers. Fosterer support volunteers spend time directly with cats, cleaning their pens, feeding, grooming and enriching their play time.

### **What can you expect to be doing?**

- Supporting the fosterer and taking responsibility for cats in care when the main fosterer is absent
- Meeting the needs of cats and kittens in care
- Maintaining minimum veterinary and cat care standards
- Supporting the cleaning and maintenance of the cats' environment and equipment
- Undertake any requirements for feeding, grooming and administering medication (such as flea and worming treatments)

- Assist with enriching the cats' experience in care, including; play, exercise and stroking
- Undertake relevant training provided by Cats Protection to support you in your role
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### **What are the benefits to you and the cats?**

You will develop new skills, expand your knowledge and make a significant contribution to improving the lives of cats and kittens by supporting fosterers in their roles and helping more cats find their forever homes. You will also meet new people, make new friends and be part of a dedicated team of volunteers.

### **We're looking for someone with**

- Basic knowledge of cats and cat care
- Good interpersonal skills
- Willingness to be part of a team and keep up to date with relevant training
- A level-headed and practical approach

### **Time expectation**

Our fosterer support volunteers spend two to three hours per week in this role, which is flexible and can be shared by more than one volunteer if needed.

### **Support, guidance and keeping you safe**

At Cats Protection we believe our volunteers should be happy and confident in their roles. We provide support and guidance from our National Cat Centre and through our regional and local volunteer groups and teams. We offer engaging online and face-to-face training, expenses and have policies and processes to help volunteers get the most out of their time with us.

The wellbeing of our people is important and at Cats Protection we are committed to safeguarding children, adults at risk and all those that we come into contact with as part of our activities.

Thank you for joining us and sharing in this commitment and for everything you will do during your time with Cats Protection.

If you would like to find out more about this role, please contact: Insert name and contact details here.

