



Fostering Policy

Company Name:	Chimney Farm International Dog Rescue	Charity Number:	1177512
Policy Title:	Fostering Policy		
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Overview.

Chimney Farm International Dog Rescue, hereinafter referred to as Chimney Farm takes the care of the dogs rescued very seriously.

Some dogs arrive in the UK requiring a foster home prior to adoption.

All fosterers are subject to home checks and interview by a member of Chimney Farm. Fosterers are volunteer members of Chimney Farm and adhere to the policies laid out by the charity.

Fosterers are subject to a fostering contract, the obligations of which are laid out within this policy.

This policy outlines the contract that all fosterers commit to in the fostering a Chimney Farm dog.

There is a foster pack which includes a form that will require completion during the fostering of a dog. This is to enable the rehoming team to have clear and accurate information about the dog to facilitate appropriate rehoming.

Fosterers will agree to the following terms:

- Complete the fosterers' template form and return to the rehoming team on request.
- To allow arranged visits by members of the Chimney Farm team to see how the dog is settling and to allow potential adopters to visit and meet the dog/s.
- To communicate regularly with their rehoming partner at Chimney Farm and send updates, photos and videos.
- To liaise with Chimney Farm prior to any veterinary assistance unless an emergency occurs and there is a threat to life.

- To agree to the guidelines given in the foster pack.
- Not to allow re-homing of the dog for any reason without approval and confirmation from Chimney Farm.
- Not to leave the dog on its own for extended periods or lock the dog in a crate or confined space. Dog crates may not be used except with the express permission of the rehoming team.
- To feed the dog sensibly with good nutrition to maintain a healthy diet and weight.
- To exercise the dog adequately.
- Acknowledge that fosters will not be liable for any veterinary costs incurred as a result of accidental injury or sickness whilst in their care. Supplies to care for the dogs will be provided if required. Prior approval must be sought before treatment unless life-altering situation.
- Provide evidence, if required, to confirm they are 30 years or older and to sign a foster contract prior to fostering.

Fosterers must also acknowledge that:

- a. Chimney Farm will accept no responsibility for the description, condition, health and temperament of the dog fostered, and gives no warranty of any kind expressed or implied. The dog is believed to be in good health has been checked by a professional vet.
- b. Information about the dog's previous habits or previous history is given in good faith.
- c. Chimney Farm will work hard to find a permanent home in the shortest time possible.

Change Record

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