

Volunteer Role Profile

Volunteer Role	AnimalWISE Education Volunteer
Volunteer Manager	Education Team Manager
Where you will be based	Community

Why we want you

Animal WISE is the Scottish SPCAs educational initiative which aims to educate and support individuals and communities across Scotland. We want to challenge people to become WISE about animals and increase their knowledge through participating in various educational opportunities with the aim of reducing the effects of unintentional and intentional injury and neglect and therefore safeguarding animal welfare.

As Animal WISE is continuously expanding we are looking for volunteers who have a keen interest in working with young people and willing to assist the Educate and Prevent team in delivering a wide variety of educational activities. As some of this work will involve direct contact with young people and involve supervising responsibilities then this is deemed as a 'child care' volunteering position. This means we will require you to be a member of Disclosure Scotland's PVG Scheme. This can be arranged through the Scottish SPCA at no charge. If you are already a member of the PVG scheme, we will require your certificate number so that we can request a scheme update.

Becoming an Animal WISE education volunteer is a great way to gain practical experience of working with young people and combining this with animal welfare is certainly an exciting opportunity for anyone with interests in these areas.

What you will be doing

- Adventure Clubs : Adventure clubs take place at Scottish SPCA sites (Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Fishcross) during school holiday periods. You are not required to volunteer for each day. Maximum of 16 children per day. Aged between 7 and 12 years. • Adventure clubs run from 9:30am until 4pm. Volunteers are required to be on site from 8:30am and are free to leave once site has been tidied up. • General duties include: 1. Assisting in the setup of area, including bell tent construction, safety measures and organisation of activity resources. 2. Assisting with registration of children attending. 3. Assisting with the delivery of activities as outlined in Staff/volunteer pack. 4. Supervising children throughout their time at the adventure club. 5. Opportunity to lead own activity. 6. Ensuring the site is left free of any items or debris at end of day.
- Development of resources: Assist in the development and creation of Animal WISE resources to be used to educate audiences from early years

to elderly.

- Community events : Support education team at a wide range of community and/or partnership events.

The skills you need

- A keen interest and understanding of the importance of Animal Welfare Education
- Experience working with general public
- A strong interest in working with young people
- Excellent communication skills
- Friendly and approachable manner
- Dynamic and innovative approach when volunteering with young people

What's in it for you

- You will be part of an amazing team and will help to inspire all generations about the importance of animal welfare, whilst increasing your own knowledge.
- A fantastic opportunity to gain vital skills and experience that can lead the way for future career opportunities.
- Forming new friendships and connections with likeminded people.

Disclaimer

You must be a member of the PVG Scheme to volunteer with us in this role