



# Volunteer Agreement

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- As a volunteer of The Celia Cross Greyhound Trust I understand that when working around animals there is a risk of being bitten, scratched and/or otherwise injured.
- I understand that when volunteering with animals there is a risk of damage to my clothing and/or personal items. I will therefore wear clothing appropriate for working with animals, with no hanging jewellery which could cause injury if caught. I will also leave valuable items in a safe place or carry them with me at my own risk.
- I understand that I may come into contact with animals of unknown origin or questionable health history, and/or have not yet been treated for disease, which may be transmittable to humans or other companion animals.
- I acknowledge that The Celia Cross Greyhound Trust recommends (but does not require) that all volunteers keep up to date with tetanus shots. I also understand that CCGT recommends prompt medical attention for all animal bites or injuries.
- I understand that if I am bitten, scratched or otherwise injured by a dog and/or piece of equipment I will inform staff immediately so that the correct procedures can be carried out.
- I understand that I will be volunteering around dogs who may have come from unknown origins and/or been treated badly by humans in the past, and that these animals may be spooked or behave defensively when scared. I will therefore behave sensibly around all the dogs I come into contact with and always be aware and alert.
- I understand that I will be volunteering around dogs who may not have been trained or may be stressed in the kennel environment. I therefore acknowledge that they may jump up, play bite, nip or act in a boisterous manner, especially when excited.
- I understand that I will be informed by staff about all the animals in the care of CCGT, and that I will give feedback if I notice any unusual behaviour.
- I understand that I do not have to enter the kennel or work around any particular dog if I do not feel comfortable or confident enough to.
- As a CCGT volunteer I acknowledge that I will listen to and follow instruction given by staff. I will also always check and follow instructions displayed on the kennel doors and kennel whiteboard (displayed in the main kitchen).

**By signing here I confirm that I have read and understood the above information.**

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Signature of Volunteer

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Printed name of Volunteer

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Date