

Fostering for One Paw at a Time Dog Rescue Information Sheet and Terms

Fostering can be a challenge but is very rewarding!

Fostering Information

Fostering for adult dogs (12 months and older) is for a minimum of 4 weeks

Fostering for dogs (12 months and under) is for a minimum of 2 weeks

On the first day of arrival, some of our One Paw babies can be scared or nervous; we therefore advise that they are given space allowing them to come to you when ready. This could take some time. Some of these babies have never been in a home environment before and therefore may take time to adapt to their new surroundings. So, your role as a foster parent is to take each day as it comes; show them where their bed is, where to toilet (supervised) and work towards establishing a routine.

We as a small rescue require that you use our vet, however we understand this may not always be possible, for example, if you live a long distance away from our vets. If you do intend to use an alternative veterinary practice for any reason you must get permission from Shane or Shaun. The only exception to this would be in the case of an emergency.

Due to their history, some of our One Paw babies will require more time and patience than others. For example some may have separation anxiety, guarding issues around food (this will ease in time once they know food is not in short supply and they settle into their daily routine).

Our team are always on hand whenever needed. We will be there at any point during the fostering process, providing as much support as required. For additional support from fellow fosterers and adopters please feel free to join our advice page on Facebook (search for One Paw advice page for fosterers and adopters)

As a result of the stress of transport, many dogs will suffer from some form of Kennel cough. If this applies to your foster dog, and is a mild case, under recommendation (All Creatures Veterinary) a small amount of Benylin cough mixture can be given, however **NOT SUGAR FREE** - this is dangerous. In more extreme cases a visit to the vet may be required.

Prior to any medication being administered we ask to be informed.

Additional aftereffects of transport, change of diet and surroundings may include a small amount of blood in the dogs' faeces. This is very common; however it should be monitored in particular noting the amount and colour of blood.

To minimise the risk of this occurring we advise for the first few days to feed your foster dog on a diet of rice and chicken which will help settle their stomach before moving on to standard dog food.

The only brand of dog food we do not allow our foster dogs to be fed is Bakers due to its high salt content.

Terms and Conditions of Fostering a One Paw Dog

- One paw dogs must be kept on a lead at all times and must wear a one paw id tag; this will be given before collection of your new family member.
- During the fostering process, if you decide you would like to adopt your foster dog please do let us know as early as possible, preferably before the end of their assessment period, as this will save time that would have been spent advertising the dog for adoption.
- When seeking veterinary care, you agree to the conditions stated above.
- Any foster dog in your care belongs to one paw at a time dog rescue
- Under no circumstances may the dog be sold or used for breeding.
- If for any reason we feel the need to remove the dog from your care, we will do so.