

VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role: **Farm volunteer**

Hours: 2-4 hours minimum, or as agreed with the Operations Manager. Location: Wales

Reports to: Operations Manager

OVERALL PURPOSE OF THE ROLE

To ‘make a difference together for All animals’.

You will provide the vital role of supporting the farm staff by caring for pigs, sheep, and sometimes geese, and ducks residing in our farm area.

You will need to deliver an excellent standard of care, providing for the animal’s daily needs and maintaining their living accommodation.

You will be making a real and valuable difference to their chances of a happy and healthy new life.

KEY TASKS

* Preparing food and organising feeding, and watering
* Cleaning living accommodation, which can involve complete mucking out
* Cleaning bowls and carriers
* Maintaining sheds and shelters
* Cleaning out ponds
* Cleaning concrete areas
* Dealing with mud, heavy lifting, uneven ground and dust
* To communicate the unique values and ethos of Freshfields to the public and welcome visitors to the farm area.
* To generate discussion, understanding, investment and further involvement in the work of the charity.
* To follow Freshfields Animal Rescue policies and procedures at all times
* To socialise and interact with the farm animals

KEY SKILLS AND QUALITIES

* Experience with farm animals is preferred
* Confident and able to safely handle the animals with care and attention to detail
* Patience with temperamental animals
* Flexible and willing to take on new tasks as required.
* Enjoy working outdoors and hands on tasks
* Have compassion and empathy
* Able to take direction and follow detailed instruction from farm staff regarding the animals’ individual needs
* Able to work on own initiative and as part of a team
* Able to manage the physical demands of the post
* Volunteering only available to over 18’s

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