

# VOLUNTEER Role DESCRIPTION

Role: **Equine Volunteer**

Hours: 7.30am – 12.30 5 hours per week minimum as agreed with Operations Manager.

Location: Equine Unit, Wales

Reports to: Operations Manager

### Overall purpose of the ROLE

You will provide a vital role in supporting the Equine staff to deliver an excellent standard of care. Your passion and dedication will enrich the lives of our horses and ponies.

You will assist in the care of horses and ponies in the Unit and make a real and valuable difference to their chances of a happy, fulfilling life.

### KEY TASKS

* To assist with all aspects of the day to day running of the Unit, providing a clean, comfortable, safe and secure environment for our horses and ponies.
* To perform essential tasks such as mucking out, grooming and cleaning equipment
* To prepare and provide food and water as instructed by a member of staff.
* To handle the horses and ponies with care and sensitivity, under staff guidance
* To maintain a first class standard of hygiene and cleanliness
* To observe and report any concerns about the animals’ welfare.
* To be attentive to the health, safety and wellbeing of animals, staff and visitors whilst on shift, reporting any concerns to the staff as appropriate
* To follow Freshfields Animal Rescue policies and procedures at all times
* Other duties relevant to the requirements of the post

### KEY skills

* Experienced with equines and aged 18+
* Energetic and practical approach, and able to manage the physical demands of the post. Including being able to work outdoors in all weather.
* Confident and horse aware, with care and attention to detail
* Reliable and trustworthy
* Able to take direction and follow detailed instruction from Unit staff regarding the animals’ individual needs
* Able to work on own initiative and as part of a team
* Willing to give a regular commitment

TIME commitment

Minimum 5 hours a week, in accordance with the needs of the Unit.