

# The Scratching Post

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## VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Please fill out this application for review and approval by a Scratching Post team member. The Scratching Post determines volunteer eligibility and reserves the right to refuse any volunteer application. Volunteer candidates must be 18 years of age or older for consideration.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special needs, allergies, or physical restrictions?

No

Yes (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to lift 40-50 lbs? Yes No

### What jobs are you interested in performing?

Cleaning (windows, walls, carriers, brushing cat trees, etc)  
Scooping litter boxes      Folding towels/do laundry  
Sweep outside catios      Assist with fundraising  
Help with adoptions      Socialize the cats  
Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

### Please provide a character reference below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### What animal experience do you have?

Veterinary hospital      Boarding facility  
Pet grooming      Fostering  
Pet sitting      Training/Obedience  
Shelter work      Farm animals  
Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to volunteer with us? Are you doing this for school, community service, or to help the shelter?

Please explain below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### What other special skills, strengths, talents do you have?

Tech/Computer      Carpentry  
Fine Arts      Photography  
Writing      Fundraising  
Working with children      Crafts  
Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

### What is your availability? (Check all that apply)

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Morning (8am-12pm)							
Afternoon (12-3pm)							

By signing below, you are agreeing that you are fully aware of the risks that cats pose and have elected to interact with one or more cats. You knowingly assume all risks that exposure to cats may pose.

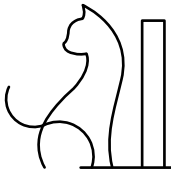
We ask that you understand and comply with our policies and procedures, and that you notify staff of any hazardous situations, accidents, or incidents immediately. We ask that you behave appropriately and courteously to the staff, our cats, and the public with whom you interact with in the course of your role.

Signature (type or sign your name below)

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



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## WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The undersigned for himself, herself or for any minors for which the undersigned is signing as guardian, hereby assumes all risk from injury or otherwise resulting from participation as a volunteer or from his or her contact with the animals on this property. The undersigned waives all right to recover for any damages and agrees to hold The Scratching Post, Inc., its officers, employees, and board of directors' harmless from any liability arising from volunteer activity resulting in any injury.

### The undersigned acknowledges the following:

The behavior of all animals, including cats, is unpredictable. Animals can be dangerous. There are inherent risks when handling and being around cats. These risks include but are not limited to:

That the cat may behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to persons.

That the cat is unpredictable and may react to sound, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, person(s), or other animals which may lead to biting and/or scratching.

Cats may carry diseases, parasites, and infections capable of being transmitted to humans.

Pregnant employees and volunteers: One of the two major sources of toxoplasmosis is cat feces. Although an infected cat will pass the eggs in stool for only 2 to 3 weeks, **NO** pregnant volunteers or employees should handle litter boxes or clean up feces. Understand that if you do so, you are doing so at your own risk.

This waiver is valid throughout the period of volunteer participation unless it is revoked in writing by the person or their parent or guardian.

### IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Name of minor (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### IF OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_