

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION

Employer: WEX TEMPLATES

Contact:

Supervisor:

Employer Tel:

Website:

Job: Animal Carer

Classification: Animal Care & Control

Ref: 13,005

Aims & Objectives: To develop key skills through the experience of work and to gain an insight into working with animals.

Key Tasks: Student will do a certain amount of observation then with training and under supervision may do simple tasks. Tasks may include cleaning & disinfecting of buildings & outdoor areas; preparation & serving of animal food; cleaning & grooming animals; routine exercising of animals.; possibly attending call-outs on a one to one basis with trained staff; possibly admin work within the office section; other work involving animal welfare that may be required

Requirements: Students should have common sense, confidence, and good communication skills for dealing with the public, possibly at stressful times. Students should show initiative with a genuine interest in animals and should not be afraid of hard work. This line of work is not suitable for students with asthma. Students will be required to have a current tetanus injection. NOT SUITABLE FOR STUDENTS ALLERGIC TO PET HAIR/FUR OR FEATHERS

Clothing: Dress should be washable, casual clothes - please take outdoor clothing and wellingtons if possible.

Working Hours: Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm (max 37 hrs) Finish early on Friday

Meal Breaks: 20 min breaks at 10am and 3pm 1 hour lunch break to be taken on site. Student to bring packed lunch or can use kitchen.

Interview Required: Y

Student to Arrange: Y

Notes: Student to contact ##### to arrange an interview / informal chat prior to starting the placement.

Employer's Health & Safety Risk Assessment:

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE & AWARENESS:-Students must be supervised at all times.Students should be aware that some animals may be terminally ill or in a distressed state.PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:-Students will work outdoors and should wear appropriate clothing. Disposable gloves will be provided.CHEMICALS & FLAMMABLE MATERIALS:-Students may use cleaning fluids after training and all hygiene procedures must be followed.Students will not handle drugs/medication at any time.EQUIPMENT & MACHINERY:-Students will not come into contact with hazardous machinery or chemicals.LIFTING & MANUAL HANDING:-Work will involve lifting and carrying appropriate items, training will be given in safe manual handling.SLIPS, TRIPS & FALLS:-There should be no reason for students to work at heights on this placement.WORKPLACE SPECIFIC HAZARDS:-Students must only handle animals when supervised and after training - some animals may bite and students will be told which animals they can or cannot handle.Students will be required to have a current tetanus injection.

Special Notes:

Parents/Guardians will be expected to give details of any health problems e.g. epilepsy, asthma etc on the agreement form

Last Visit Date:**Next Visit Date:****Risk Band: L**