



ANSWERS TO SOME OF THE QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE

How does the Home Ever After Program work?

In the unfortunate situation that your pet comes into our care the following process will occur. The animal will be seen immediately by a trained vet on staff who will perform a check and if required, your animal will receive any treatment needed. If the animal passes a veterinary check, they are then seen by our team who will behaviourally test their temperament. We will endeavour to find them a home like the one you have lovingly provided them. Your pet will be placed in a suitable foster home if available, alternatively they will stay in our shelter being lovingly cared for by our staff and volunteers.

What do I have to do next?

To enroll in the program please contact our Home Ever After Officer. They will send you a pet profile and registration form for you to complete. Once your forms have been received, they will be reviewed to assess your pet's suitability to join the program. If you wish, please call 02 6287 8109 to discuss your pet's suitability.

What type of animals can be accepted into the Home Ever After Program?

Dogs, cats and small pets are the main animals that are accepted into the Pet Legacy Program. Please call 02 6287 8109 to discuss further if you own a different type of animal to ensure we have the capability to care for them at our shelter.



Why do I need to enroll my pets?

The enrollment documents you supply ensure your wishes are met. if the situation occurs, it means your pet can be taken in by RSPCA ACT immediately.

Can I cancel my pet's enrolment in Home Ever After?

Yes, absolutely. You can cancel your pet's enrolment in our pet legacy service at any time.

Do I have to pay for Home Ever After?

No, it's free. All we ask is that pet owners enrolling their pets for Home Ever After too strongly consider including a gift in their Will to RSPCA ACT. You can be assured that this gift will make an enormous difference to the lives of many animals, just like yours.

What will happen to the money I've included in my Will already?

If you have already included a gift to RSPCA ACT in your Will in relation to the Bequest Animal Program, thank you! Wonderful people like you are the very heart and soul of RSPCA ACT. We could not rescue, care for and rehome as many animals as we do without the extraordinary kindness and compassion of animal lovers who leave gifts to us in their Wills.

Will Home Ever After help RSPCA find my pet's new family?

Yes. Home Ever After gives you a unique opportunity to provide us with useful information about your pet that will help us to match them with a wonderful adoptive family. This will also help your pet's new family to understand them and to look after them the way you do today.



How can you be sure of making a good match?

We've been adopting thousands of animals for many, many years, so we're very experienced at spotting responsible pet owners. We also have dedicated teams of adoption experts who are skilled at making wonderful matches. They will determine the suitability for potential adopters according to the pet profile you provide.

Do you rehome older pets?

Yes. We rehome senior animals every day. In fact, many adopters prefer older pets who have been loved and cared for over the years by owners like you.

Who will pay for my pet's vet expenses?

RSPCA will provide all the vet care needed when your pet is first admitted to the Home Ever After program. The family who adopts your pet will then take on the responsibility for all future veterinary expenses.

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Will you do any follow-up checks?

Yes, as part of our adoption service, your pet's new owners will receive follow-up contact from us to ensure your pet is settling into their new home and family. We will stay in touch for the rest of their life, their wellbeing is our priority.

Why do I need to include wording in my Will?

No one knows your pets like you do. If you want them to be cared for and rehomed by the RSPCA ACT's pet legacy service, leaving clear instructions in your Will is the best way to ensure your wishes are carried out.

Will you rehome my pets together?

If you have multiple pets, we will try our best to rehome them together if requested. If it is in the best interest for the pets, we will do everything we can to find them a home together.

How long will you care for my pet before rehoming?

We start caring for your pet immediately, and we begin making rehoming plans for them as soon as they seem ready. We understand that animals do better when they are rehomed quickly, but we don't rush it. You can rest assured that your pet's physical and emotional wellbeing is our prime concern and will remain so for as long as they need

If you have any other questions, please contact our Home Ever After Officer on 02 6287 8109 or email: homeeverafter@rspca-act.org.au.

