

**You may also pay by:**

*(please tick one box and complete relevant details)*

Postal order  Cheque

I/we enclose my/our cheque/postal order (payable to RSPCA) for £ \_\_\_\_\_

RSPCA Mastercard  Switch/Maestro

CAF card  Other

Card no.

Valid from -- Expiry date -- or

Issuer no.  (Switch/Maestro only)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Keep in touch:**

As an RSPCA member, you are now able to receive membership communications via e-mail. The documents you can obtain in this way are the *Annual Review*, the *Trustees' Report and Accounts* and the *RSPCA Rules*. However, we have plans to broaden RSPCA membership information on the members' website in the future.

To register for membership communications via e-mail, please confirm your e-mail address below:

1st applicant \_\_\_\_\_

2nd applicant \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions you want to ask about this change, please call 0300 123 0346 and one of our membership team will be happy to help.

Please return completed form with payment to:

RSPCA Supporter Services Department, FREEPOST (SW2465), Horsham, West Sussex RH13 9BR.

*Thank you for helping suffering animals*

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Batch no \_\_\_\_\_ Branch no \_\_\_\_\_

Membership no(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Making your RSPCA gift/subscription payment go further**

**and you won't have to pay a penny more!**

If you decide to make a gift aid donation to the RSPCA you can literally increase your gift by almost an *extra £1 for every £3 you donate* – enough to make a real difference to an animal in trouble. Complete the gift aid declaration form below, confirming you are a UK taxpayer.

*(There will be no forms for you to fill in for the tax office)*

Name of charity RSPCA

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other \_\_\_\_\_

Forename/s \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

I want the charity to treat as gift aid donations:

all my donations from six years prior to this year (including membership payments)

all donations (including membership subscription payments) I make from

(date) \_\_\_\_\_ until I notify you otherwise.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note:**

- You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the RSPCA.
- You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax for each tax year (6 April one year to 5 April the next) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that the charity will reclaim on your gifts for that tax year.
- If your circumstances change and you no longer pay income tax or capital gains, you can cancel your declaration by notifying the RSPCA.
- If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your self-assessment tax return.

Please make sure all your gift goes to the RSPCA by completing this form and returning to: Supporter Services Department, RSPCA, FREEPOST (SW2465), Horsham, West Sussex RH13 9BR.

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If you care about animals join the RSPCA – the world's largest and oldest animal welfare organisation – today!

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The RSPCA aims to prevent cruelty and promote kindness to animals.

Your local RSPCA branch is:

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# Your support will help us campaign for:

- a better life for Britain's pets
- practical and humane farming methods for all farm animals
- the safety of wild animals from cruel sports, whaling and trapping
- alternatives to replace animals in experiments.

# Don't delay – join us today!

## RSPCA members receive:

- a membership card and badge to show they belong to the largest animal welfare charity in Britain
- a copy of *animal life* magazine (four times a year)
- an RSPCA sticker for their car or window
- an annual review containing a report on the work of the Society and a summary financial statement
- the right to vote individually at the election of national Council members and at annual general meetings.



## Membership information

### Joint membership

Joint membership is open to any couple who are both aged 18 or over and who live together as partners at the same address. Joint members will normally receive only one copy of *animal life* and the *Annual Review* sent to their joint address.

### Financial affairs

Members requiring more detailed information on the financial affairs of the Society may ask to receive a copy of the Society's full statement of accounts and annual report instead of the *Annual Review* and summary financial statement. Both documents are also available on the RSPCA website as are the RSPCA governing documents which establish the relationship between the Society and its members. Joint members may ask to be sent separate copies of the annual report or *Annual Review*. Requests should be addressed in writing to: The Chief Executive, c/o RSPCA Supporter Services, Wilberforce Way, Southwater, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 9RS. We will continue to follow your stated wishes in future years unless you tell us otherwise.

### The direct debit guarantee

The guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that take part in the direct debit scheme. The efficiency and security of the scheme is monitored and protected by your own bank or building society.

If the amounts to be paid or the payment date changes the RSPCA will notify you at least 10 working days in advance of the account being debited or as otherwise agreed.

If an error is made by the RSPCA or your bank/building society, you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your branch of the amount paid.

You can cancel a direct debit at any time, by writing to your bank or building society. Please also send a copy of your letter to the RSPCA.

Banks and building societies may not accept direct debit instructions for some types of accounts.

**This guarantee should be retained by the payer.**

### Membership policy statement

Thank you very much for showing interest in becoming a member of the RSPCA. We are delighted to welcome new members, as members play a vital role in our organisation and determine who sits on the RSPCA governing Council. In this way we can maintain a democratic and progressive outlook which has sustained the services we offer and the welfare campaigns we run.

Members of the RSPCA may also be given membership of their local RSPCA branch at no extra cost. Our branches are separately registered, volunteer-run charities and are always grateful for more support in helping needy animals in their area.

As a charity, the RSPCA exists to further its aims of promoting kindness and preventing cruelty to animals, rather than to benefit its members. This policy aims to ensure that any membership will benefit the charity.

As such, membership is not an automatic entitlement, and any decision regarding the acceptance of a membership application ultimately lies with the RSPCA Council. Decisions are made under the RSPCA rules and on the basis of what is in the best interests of the charity.

The Council may for example refuse an application or terminate an existing membership where a person's real reason for joining the RSPCA is to promote a purpose other than animal welfare.

We aim to treat all members and applicants fairly. Any information provided on applying for membership will be taken into consideration.

The RSPCA's membership policy is to be as open to as many new members as possible, provided they are over 18 and genuinely motivated by animal welfare reasons.

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**If you would like further information about the RSPCA, RSPCA policies, governing rules or branch rules, visit our website: [www.rspca.org.uk](http://www.rspca.org.uk) or write to us with your request at: RSPCA Supporter Services, Wilberforce Way, Southwater, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 9RS.**



## Membership application form

### Type of membership applied for (please tick one box)

- Annual individual: £24.00       Individual life: £750.00  
 Annual joint: £36.00       Joint life: £1,000.00

### Details of applicant

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_  
 Forename/s \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### e-mail

I support the objects of the Society to promote kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals by all lawful means. I acknowledge that the Society, and my application/membership of it, is governed in accordance with the RSPCA Rules. I am over 18 years old.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Details of partner for joint membership

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_  
 Forename/s \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

We'd love to keep you updated with the RSPCA's activities and how you may be able to help us to help animals. Any telephone number or email address provided is not essential for processing your membership application but means that we can contact you about the full range of the RSPCA's activities in the way you'd prefer. If you agree to be contacted in this way, please tick the relevant boxes:

- 1st applicant<sup>1</sup>  post  telephone  e-mail  SMS.  
 2nd applicant<sup>2</sup>  post  telephone  e-mail  SMS.

- <sup>2</sup> Please tick this box if you are a paid employee of the RSPCA or any branch.  
  <sup>2</sup> If you have had a previous application for membership of either the RSPCA or an RSPCA branch rejected/terminated, please tick this box.  
  <sup>2</sup> We would like to forward your membership details to your local RSPCA branch (which is a separately registered charity) so that they can consider you for branch membership and contact you with updates about their activities and how you may be able to help them. Your application/membership of the branch is governed by the branch rules. If you do **not** want us to forward your details to your local branch, please tick this box.  
  <sup>2</sup> We would also like to share your information with other charities, or our carefully chosen partners whose offers will benefit animal welfare, so that they may send you information about their products and services, by post. If you agree to your information being shared this way, please tick this box.

- \* Please send details of the *Animal Action Club* (for young people under 12).  
 \* Please send details of the teenage membership (for young people aged 12-17).

\* One only per joint application.

### Form of payment

You may pay by direct debit (see below), cheque, postal order, credit/debit card, CAF card (see overleaf). Please complete the details below.

### Payment due

Membership subscription £ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional donation £ \_\_\_\_\_ Total payment £ \_\_\_\_\_

### Please use my donation to support: (please tick one box)

- the RSPCA's national work     my local RSPCA branch

### You may pay annually by direct debit.

Your membership cannot start until we claim your first direct debit payment. We are required to give direct debit payers confirmation, at least ten working days prior to the first payment.

### Instruction to your bank or building society to pay by direct debit

To: Manager (your bank's name) \_\_\_\_\_

Your bank's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Name of account holder(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Sort code   -   -

Account no

Reference             (FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

Please pay the RSPCA Direct Debits from the account detailed on this instruction subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with the RSPCA and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my bank/building society.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Originator's identification 768136

Please tick your preferred payment date 3rd  15th  22nd  28th

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You can also apply for RSPCA membership online: [www.rspca.org.uk](http://www.rspca.org.uk)



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National members may also become members of their local RSPCA branch

Please notify the RSPCA if you change your name and/or address.  
 Contact: [supportercare@rspca.org.uk](mailto:supportercare@rspca.org.uk) or call us on: 0300 123 0346.

Adult membership