



The ISPCA National Animal Centre, Co. Longford is seeking an enthusiastic Animal Care Assistant to join their team.

The Role:

- Full-time, permanent position.
- €13.80 per hour.
- 7-day rostered system

The Applicant:

We're seeking trustworthy, reliable and friendly person with the ability and initiative to "get stuck in" with the rest of our team.

Due to the nature of our work, we require that the applicant has:

- Excellent animal handling experience with equines and canines.
- A basic level of education to include written and spoken English.
- A keen interest in animal welfare.
- Good communication and organisational skills.
- The ability to work efficiently under pressure, as part of a team and on their own initiative.
- Resilience and the ability to cope with potentially distressing and emotional situations.
- A full clean driving licence.

The following skills would be an advantage:

- Experience with felines, small mammals, exotics and wildlife.
- Experience caring for and rehabilitating sick, injured and traumatised animals.
- Animal behaviour evaluation and assessment skills.
- Ability to tow a horsebox and/or drive a tractor.

Who We Are and What We Do:

Set on 88 acres in rural Longford, the ISPCA National Animal Centre (NAC) provides care for equines, dogs, cats and other small animals. Our team pride themselves on the care given to these animals which are rescued from across the country.

Due to the nature of our work, we also have a 24 hour a day Employee Assistance Programme available to all employees. This service is confidential and is completely free for our employees.

Some of the main duties and responsibilities of this role would include:



- Providing care by routine checking, feeding, medicating, grooming, weighing, worming and rehabilitating the resident animals and assisting the vet, farrier and dentist.
- Preparing equines, canines, cats and other animals for re-homing.
- General maintenance of the centre, including sweeping, power washing, cleaning and disinfecting stables and kennels, as well as maintaining all animal areas.
- Use of all machinery and equipment in a safe and efficient way, adhering to legislation, policies and procedures.
- Supporting the Supervisor/Manager in maintaining a safe working environment by following identified risk assessments, following Health and Safety regulations, and by maintaining centre security.
- Maintaining up to date manual records for the equines, canines, other animals and farming practices.
- Providing feedback on a daily basis to the Supervisor/Manager on matters such as equine/canine/feline and other animals health, feeding regimes and land management, and liaising with other staff to facilitate smooth running of the centre.
- Support of work experience students, and interacting with visitors and volunteers in a friendly manner.
- Carrying out any other reasonable duty as may be required.

Please reach out to recruitment@ISPCA.ie and quote ACANAC0425 for further information or with your CV.