



ABOUT OUR RABBITS

All our rabbits are neutered, vaccinated (against both RHD/ Myxomatosis and RHD2), microchipped and have started a 6 week course of Panacur prior to re-homing. Adopters may be advised to continue this course depending on how long the rabbit has been with us, the cost of which is the responsibility of the adopter.

All Rabbits receive a health check performed by our current veterinary practice and adopters will be made aware of any issues raised. Unfortunately the SAA cannot be held responsible for any health problems that develop after adoption.

If you are considering a rabbit as a pet for your child, please think about this very carefully. The majority of rabbits which come into our care are unwanted children's pets, where the novelty has worn off after a short period of time and the parents haven't realised the level of commitment involved in meeting all the rabbit's needs. We will rehome our rabbits as family pets only if we are confident that the parents are keen to have the rabbit, and happy to do the majority of the work.

Society for Abandoned Animals

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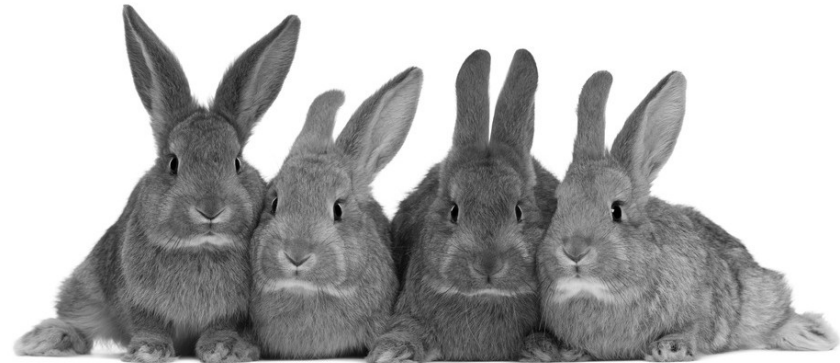


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RABBIT ADOPTION iNFORMATION



Animals that are adopted from a rescue environment need plenty of patience, care and love to help them settle successfully into a new home. We aim to carefully match animals to potential new owners, and to provide as much information as possible to new owners about their background and behaviour to maximise the chance of successful adoption. We also offer advice and support after our animals are adopted.

If there is a particular type of animal you are looking for, e.g. a Dwarf rabbit, please be aware that the animals in our care change frequently so please keep in regular contact.

HOMING REQUIREMENTS

- Maximum of **6 rabbits per household**
- For rented accommodation we require **written proof from the owner of the property**
- Can be rehomed indoor or outdoor (**single rabbits must be indoor**)
- Rabbits normally **rehomed in pairs** (the decision to home a rabbit singly will be taken by animal care).
- We regularly provide companions for people's existing rabbits. Your existing rabbit must be neutered and vaccinated against RHD/myxo and RHD2.

Hutch needs to be **18sqft** over one or two levels and with enough height for the rabbit to be able to stand on its back legs. A permanently attached run of between **24-32sqft**. Other options such as sheds are suitable but must meet the minimum space allowance. (Total **42sqft/3.9sqm**)

- 18sq foot = 1.7m²
24sqft= 6'x4'
2.3-3m² = 1.8m x 1.2m

- Minimum acceptable hutch size:

5ft x 2.5ft double storey but in terms of rabbits the bigger the floor area to explore the better!

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RE-HOMING PROCESS

1. On your visit to the SAA you will be shown our rabbits that are available for adoption in our homing unit. We will ask you questions about your home and family to enable us to recommend a rabbit (s) that will have a good chance of settling in with you successfully. Staff will discuss rehoming to ensure you have a thorough knowledge of the level of commitment and work involved. If you are looking to bond your existing rabbits staff will discuss the different ways of doing this.
2. If both you and staff think a rabbit (s) would be suitable you can place a reserve on them. (please note for rabbit bonding we do not normally reserve individual rabbits instead when you are ready to adopt we will try several different rabbits to find the best match.)
3. This is followed up by a pre-adoption home visit to check suitability. At this time the area where the rabbit is going to live will be measured to ensure it meets our size requirements.
4. Provided everything is ok after your home visit you can make an appointment to collect your new rabbit(s). We ask for a minimum £55 donation per rabbit to help towards our running costs, payable upon collection.
5. Once the adoption process has been completed we will contact you to check that your new companion has settled in. If for any reason you are experiencing any problems or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us and we will endeavour to help you however we can.