

Wildlife Act 1975

FOSTER CARER NOMINATION FORM

Please read the information on page four before completing this form.

For all questions please attach a list if more space needed

Customer number
(if known)

1. Personal Details of Foster-carer Nominee - Only one person may be nominated on this form.

Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss Surname

First Name Other Given Names Date of Birth* Sex

**(For persons under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must apply as the Foster Carer. 16 years is the minimum age for application.)*

M/F

2. Postal Address - Address for service of notices. (Complete only those parts relevant to you.)

Property Name (Name of house, farm or building where applicable) Flat or Unit Number House or Lot Number

Street Name or PO Box or RMB or RSD Number

Suburb / Town Postcode

3. Specified Premises - This must refer to the actual place where the wildlife will be kept.

Please note: PO Box, RMB, RSD are not acceptable. (Complete only those parts relevant to you.)

Property Name (Name of house, farm or building where applicable) Melways Reference

Flat or Unit Number House or Lot Number



YOU MUST INCLUDE EITHER A BUILDING OR HOUSE OR LOT OR CROWN ALLOTMENT NUMBER.
(This can be found on the Council

Street Name *Rate Notice for the property)*

Suburb / Town Postcode

Telephone - Business

Telephone - Private

Email Address

4. Details of Experience

Have you previously been or are you currently listed as a Foster-carer on a Wildlife Shelter Authorisation? Yes/No

Are you or have you ever been a Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder? Yes/No

If "Yes", please state:

Authorisation Number

File Number

Name of Shelter Authorisation holder

List wildlife you have cared for as a Foster-carer or Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder.

SPECIES	NUMBER OF ANIMALS	INJURIES AND TREATMENT

5. Wildlife Licences

Please list any licences held for possession of wildlife

LICENCE No. or AUTHORISATION No.	SPECIES	Number of animals held	ALIVE/DEAD

6. Prior Convictions

Have you been convicted of any offence under the **Wildlife Act 1975**, Wildlife Regulations 2002, **Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994**, **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986** or the **Wildlife (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1982** or similar interstate or federal legislation during the last 10 years? Yes/No

If "Yes", Please state:

OFFENCE	YEAR OF CONVICTION	STATE

7. Personal Details of Nominating Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder

Authorisation Number

File Number

Customer Number

Surname

First Name

Date of Birth

Telephone - Business

Telephone - Private

Postal Address

8. Declaration by Nominating Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder

I hereby make application to the Program Manager, Resource Protection and Management to list the person, whose signature appears below, on my Wildlife Shelter Authorisation as a foster-carer in order to care for and rehabilitate sick and injured wildlife. I shall abide by and supervise this foster-carer in accordance with the conditions of my Wildlife Shelter Authorisation.

Signature of
Wildlife Shelter
Authorisation holder

Date

9. Declaration of Foster-carer Nominee - *There are heavy penalties for false or misleading declarations.*

I hereby declare that all particulars on this form are true and correct.

Signature of
Foster-carer
Nominee

Date

PLEASE NOTE: THE MAKING OF ANY APPLICATION DOES NOT IN ITSELF CARRY ANY ENTITLEMENT OR RIGHT. THE OUTCOME OF AN APPLICATION CANNOT BE PREDICTED AND SHOULD NOT BE ANTICIPATED.

10. Witness requirements - *This application must be witnessed.*

Before this application will be considered, you must have your personal details witnessed by one of the accepted authorities listed below. Where possible, you should take an item of photographic evidence such as a Driver's Licence or Passport, or else an extract of your birth certificate should be used.

Verification of Personal Details - *Witness to note:*

Please use your official stamp or clearly print your name in the space provided below and provide a telephone contact number. This will assist us if we need to contact you.

ID Type

ID Number

Please indicate the form of identification produced by the applicant (eg Driver's Licence or Passport) and the number shown on the identification.

Declaration by witness: *I hereby declare that all details filled in by me on this form are true and correct, and that details on the identification produced match those on this application.*

Signature of
Witness

Date

Witness' Title

Contact Telephone Number

Official or Business Stamp or Witness's Name (please print).

LIST OF ACCEPTED WITNESSES

- * a dentist
- * a pharmacist
- * a bank manager
- * a postmaster
- * a chartered accountant
- * a veterinary surgeon
- * a medical practitioner
- * a justice of the peace
- * a bail justice, sheriff
- * a clerk of courts or petty sessions
- * a barrister
- * a Judge, Stipendiary Magistrate
- * a minister of religion authorised to celebrate marriages
- * a member of police force
- * a town clerk or shire secretary
- * a councillor of a municipality
- * a teacher with more than five years experience
- * a public servant with more than five years experience

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON NEXT PAGE

General Information - Foster-carers

- Foster-carers are registered with a Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder to gain experience and training under the supervision of a person experienced in caring for sick and injured wildlife.
- A foster-carer must comply with any verbal or written direction relating to their authorisation from Authorised Officers of the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) for the purposes of the *Wildlife Act 1975*.
- Wildlife Shelter and Foster Carer Authorisations do not exempt persons from obligations under other Acts of Parliament such as the *Firearms Act 1996*, the *Veterinary Practice Act 2003*, and the *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Regulations 2006*.
- Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holders may have a maximum of three foster-carers listed on their Authorisation at any one time.
- Prior to seeking registration of a first foster-carer, the Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder must have held the Authorisation for at least 12 months.
- All veterinary expenses, transport costs and all other costs incurred in association with holding a Wildlife Shelter Authorisation or operating as a foster-carer must be borne by the Wildlife Shelter Authorisation holder and/or the foster-carer charged with the care of that wildlife. The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning does not provide any funding for such costs.
- After receiving or acquiring wildlife, Foster-carers must inform their supervising Shelter Authorisation holder or the receipt or acquisition.
- Except with the prior written (email, letter or text message) approval from a DELWP Wildlife Officer, wildlife must not be displayed (including displayed for photography) to the general public or the media.
- Rehabilitated wildlife must not be released:
 - outside of the home range of the location where it was found; or
 - in an area or in conditions in which it is unlikely to survive; or
 - in an area or in conditions which it is likely to be injured..
- Wildlife Shelter operators should be familiar with the current Wildlife Shelter and Foster Carer Authorisation Guide. Copies of the Guide are available from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning Customer Service Center (136 186).
- It is an offence under the **Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994** to harbour or release animals listed in the Schedules as pest species (Rabbits, Hares, Foxes, Dingoes and their hybrids (except for recognised canine breeds such as the Australian Cattle Dog (Queensland Heeler) and the Australian Kelpie), Feral Dogs, Dogs Run Wild, Feral Pigs, Pigs Run Wild, Sparrows, Starlings, Feral Goats, Goats Run Wild, Cane Toads, Indian Crows, Mallard duck, Mallard duck hybrids, Gerbils, Hamsters, Red-eared Slider Turtles, Yellow-bellied Slider Turtles and includes the eggs or young thereof.). Neither Shelter Authorisation holder or a foster-carers may care for, harbour or release pest animals.

* *The information contained in this document is not exhaustive and is intended as a guide only.*

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED NOMINATION FORM TO THE PROGRAM MANAGER, RESOURCE PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, LAND, WATER AND PLANNING AT THE ADDRESS BELOW:

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Alexandra 5 Binns McCraes Rd, Alexandra VIC 3714	Horsham 110 Natimuk Road, Horsham VIC 3400
Bendigo PO Box 3100 Bendigo Delivery Centre, Bendigo VIC 3550	Swan Hill 324 Campbell Street, Swan Hill VIC 3586
Mildura PO Box 905, Mildura VIC 3502	Warrnambool 703-709 Raglan Parade, Warrnambool VIC 3280
Melbourne Private Bag 15 Ferntree Gully Delivery Center VIC 3156 Fax: 9210 9230	Geelong State Government Offices 4th floor, Cnr Fenwick & Little Malop St, Geelong VIC 3220

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