



**Dogs and Pets Policy**

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**Policy:**

Sunbury Winter Shelter would like, where possible, to enable guests to keep their pet dog with them while they are spending time in a Shelter Venue. This may not always be possible and the following procedure must be reviewed at each venue if people want to keep their pet with them. Only dogs will be permitted as pets; no other animals can be allowed to accompany guests.

**Procedures:**

1. Check whether dogs are permitted by the venue / church
2. Only one dog per person, unless they are small dogs
3. The animal is the responsibility of the owner, not Sunbury Winter Shelter.
4. An agreement must be signed by the owner
5. Dogs must be fed outside by the guest.
6. Guests or volunteers to be advised not to interact with the dog unless allowed by the owner.
7. Dogs must be on a leash at all times while at the venue.
8. Dogs must sleep either in the Dog Trailer, or in the owner's car, not inside the venue.
9. If a guest must leave the venue during the evening to check on the dog in the trailer or in their car they must be accompanied by a volunteer. Guests must not leave the venue after 11 pm.

**Agreement**

Guest Name ..... Date..... Venue .....

Dog Name ..... Type of Dog / Size etc .....

The Guest named herein hereby agrees to be fully responsible for the welfare of their dog, and will not hold any other person responsible for any harm or distress caused to the dog for any reason.

The Guest named above will not allow the dog to cause distress or injury to any other person, or to cause any damage to the venue, and will take full responsibility for any such distress or injury caused.

Signed ..... (Guest)

Signed ..... (SWS Volunteer)

(Winter Night Shelter – Sunbury acknowledges and thanks Stable One for permission to use their documents either whole or as reference)