

# Volunteer Age Protocol

## **Purpose:**

To establish parameters for volunteering in terms of age, to ensure the safety of volunteers, staff and animals.

## **General Guidelines:**

### Age of volunteers

People may volunteer at the Auckland SPCA from the age of 18 years

### Persons under the Age of Eighteen

*Persons under the age of 18 but no less than 14 may not volunteer at the Auckland SPCA, unless they receive special dispensation from the General Manager to Volunteer under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian.*

*Such dispensation shall only be given in exceptional circumstances.*

*All Volunteers, accompanying parents, guardians and caregivers, must attend a volunteer orientation and complete the health and safety and training requirements for working in any given area. All Volunteers, accompanying parents, guardians and caregivers must sign a volunteer agreement and any other applicable documentation required at the village*