

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION & APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP



By completing this form, you are registering as a Volunteer and applying for a membership with the Animal Lifeline Emergency Response Team (ALERT). Completing this form does not guarantee you will be able to volunteer during a disaster. Volunteers who have already completed the *Emergency Pet Services 101* one-day workshop, and who have completed the local ESS training are selected to volunteer first. If additional people are needed, pre-registered Volunteers will then be considered. Volunteers must also be ALERT Members "in good standing". If membership fees are not paid by the required due date, the membership is considered lapsed, and the Volunteer/Member must re-apply for membership.

DATE:	COMMUNITY:					
NAME:	EMAIL:					
ADDRESS:	CITY/PROV/POSTAL CODE:					
HOME PHONE:	WORK PHONE:	CELL PHONE:				
Are you licensed to drive anything other than a car? YES NO If so, what?						
Are you applying to be a Hauler/Swamper (ALERT Interim Volunteer)?		YES NO				
Are you interested in being part of the ALERT National Team and able to volunteer in other communities?		YES NO				
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:						
CONTACT NAME:	RELATIONSHIP:					
ADDRESS:	PHONE:					
ANIMAL HANDLING EXPERIENCE:						
Dogs	Cats	Horses	Donkeys	Llamas/Alpacas	Sheep	Fish
Goats	Pigs	Reptiles	Rabbits	Birds - Type:		
Exotic Animals - Type:				Other:		
Have you ever humanely trapped animals?			YES	NO		
What previous animal related experience do you have? Does any include helping animals during a disaster?						
AVAILABLE RESOURCES TO BE USED DURING A DISASTER:						
What resources can you make available to the ALERT team during a disaster aside from your time commitment (i.e., horse trailer, pet carriers, generator, etc.)?						
Are you fluent in any other languages? YES NO Which languages?						
REFERENCES (please list two references that we may contact):						
NAME:				PHONE:		
NAME:				PHONE:		
Would you like to receive information about future training?				YES	NO	

AS A VOLUNTEER WITH ALERT, I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- To represent ALERT in a professional manner in the event that I volunteer.
- To follow the rules and procedures set up by ALERT during the disaster.
- To respect ALERT's right to terminate me as a Volunteer, should it be determined that I am in conflict with the goals of ALERT to help animals during a disaster. ALERT also has the right to terminate Volunteers if it is determined that the act of volunteering could be a threat to their health and/or well-being.
- To return to ALERT any property belonging to the organization. Any property not returned will be billed to me for the full value. A person cannot volunteer again until all equipment is returned in good condition.
- I understand that any photographs that I may take as a result of my volunteer work will be the property of ALERT, and that I must seek permission from the ALERT Board of Directors to use any photographs for my own personal/professional use.
- To use equipment and facilities belonging to, or being used by ALERT, in a manner not to damage or destroy them. Volunteers are responsible for replacing and/or repairing any property they intentionally damage or destroy.
- To not represent ALERT to the media without approval of an ALERT Coordinator/Commander in charge of the present disaster response.
- To not abuse or neglect any animal in the care of ALERT during a disaster.
- To not cause bodily harm to any other Volunteers, or other individuals cooperating with the animal disaster relief efforts.
- Under no conditions will Volunteers be allowed to bring guns, hunting knives, or bows and arrows to the Reception Centre or Animal Intake Centre located near any disaster headquarters or designated other locations.
- Alcohol and drugs are not permitted to be used at any time when you are volunteering with ALERT. If a Volunteer violates either, they will be dismissed as a Volunteer.
- Smoking is not permitted in any Animal Intake Centre that ALERT is working in, especially when handling animals. This is for the protection of the animals and other Volunteers. There will be areas designated for smoking, if it is determined to be safe. Smoking is also not permitted during Search and Response (SAR) work.
- I understand that as a Volunteer with ALERT, I am required to hold an ALERT Membership, and I am responsible for paying the annual fee for this membership. If my membership fees are not paid in full at my renewal date, I will be required to submit a new Membership Application for ALERT approval. Only ALERT members in good standing will be contacted for ALERT Volunteer activities.
- As an ALERT Volunteer, I will be required to undergo a criminal record check upon request.
- Strict confidentiality must be maintained with respect to all information obtained by ALERT Volunteers while on assignment. The Volunteer must not divulge any information obtained in the course of the assignment to any third party.
- We are conducting a Risk Analysis regarding appropriate footwear around livestock during SAR or in Animal Intake Facilities. Please tell us if you feel steel-toed boots/steel shank boots are necessary, and offer your comments.

I have read the above conditions, and agree to abide by them while a Volunteer with ALERT. I also hereby apply for an ALERT Membership.

Signature of Volunteer: _____ Date: _____

I am between 13-19 years of age and would like to volunteer with ALERT.

Signature of Volunteer: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

MEMBERSHIP:

The cost of an ALERT Membership is \$20 per year. Please submit this form, along with your cheque or money order to:

ALERT Volunteer Registration & Membership
Box 208, 113-437 Martin Street
Penticton, BC V2A 5L1

ALERT reserves the right to reject, without explanation, any application for membership. In such cases, the membership fee submitted will be returned. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information & Protection of Privacy Act, any personal information on this form is collected for the purpose of processing this form and for administration and enforcement. Please contact ALERT to discuss if you are uncomfortable completing this form.

ALERT USE ONLY:	Date Membership Fee Received:	Approval Date:
	References Checked Date:	Volunteer ID No.: