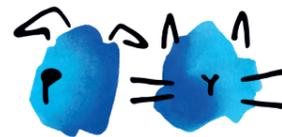


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Dog Welfare and Rehoming

This two-day programme introduces key concepts in dog assessment, rehoming, organisational and volunteering and fostering practice. You will explore ways of working and share ideas and concepts that can be taken away and implemented in your own rescue.

This is an interactive programme made up of classroom presentations, facilitated conversations, practical exercises and real-life observations.

The programme is aimed at rescues without their own kennel facilities and those operating a volunteering and fostering model.

If you would like to attend this programme please email academy@battersea.org.uk or register your interest here: [Battersea.org.uk/register-your-interest-battersea-academy](https://battersea.org.uk/register-your-interest-battersea-academy)

What will be covered:

Day 1

- Dog Body Language
- How Dogs Learn
- Stress and Complicated Behaviours
- Dog Behavioural Assessing

Day 2

- Ethical Decision Making
- Dog rehoming
- Volunteering and Fostering Practice

By the end of this programme you will be able to:

Describe and demonstrate how to interact with a dog positively, identify signs of stress and managing these effectively and responsibly

Explain what motivates a dog, what resources we can use to encourage dogs to learn and the importance of keeping dogs below threshold when carrying out training work

Explain the benefits of behavioural assessments and observations when making decisions and recommendations; along with identifying opportunities to improve the way you assess your dogs to support your rehoming process

Describe the importance of euthanasia and the value of animal life, along with ethical reasoning and how to apply it to the work that you do

Reflect on the factors that influence your ability to rehome a dog both effectively and quickly

Identify opportunities to improve your care and rehoming practices

Describe key components of Battersea volunteering and fostering practice.

Describe ways in which your volunteering/fostering process could be modified to maximise impact and increase productivity and efficiency.