



**PETS AS
THERAPY**

**Please read thoroughly this Information regarding attending national events
for Pets As Therapy Volunteers / Supporters**

CRUFTS 7th – 10th March 2019.

Pets As Therapy always receive a large number of requests from volunteers wishing to attend National events to represent the charity. We normally have a number of special passes to allow Pets As Therapy volunteer's and their PAT dog into these events to work promoting and collecting on behalf of the charity. Pets As Therapy often also require a small number of PAT dogs to take part in a Parade of PAT dogs during these events.

Please note:

- We will not know our 'pass' allocation until nearer the date of the event and can only issue one dog & handler pass per volunteer; sorry we cannot issue additional passes where PAT dogs are registered in joint names.
- Sometimes we only receive the passes 7-14 days prior to the event, on some occasions you may receive notification at short notice.
- If more volunteers apply than we have space for, or we have too many PAT dogs of any particular breed, a draw will take place. The reason for some of the questions below might at first not appear clear to you, but they are important for the smooth operation of our stand. During a normal Pets As Therapy visit and assessment, your PAT dog usually does not come into contact with other dogs which is why specific questions are included.
- Sorry we are unable to contact all applicants who are unsuccessful for each event due to the volume received.

If you would like to apply to support Pets As Therapy by working at these events (all volunteers attending will be required to collect and work for a minimum of 4 hours on the day), please complete the form below answering all questions and return to Pets As Therapy registration office: Pets As Therapy, 59 Monument Business Park, Warpsgrove Lane, Chalgrove, Oxfordshire, OX44 7RW. (FAO: Jennifer Dubois 'Event Application'). Any applicants not prepared to come in full new uniform sadly, will not be invited. (We cannot loan stock for this event)

While attending events it is important that visitors to the event can clearly identify you as a Pets As Therapy volunteer. It is also important that they can clearly identify your dog as a special Pets As Therapy registered PAT dog. So uniform is essential – this would consist of Polo for volunteer and tabard or vest for dog. Bandana alone is not enough.

To enable Pets As Therapy to be able to promote the charity as much as possible during the event, we ask that you help collect on one of the designated trade stands or our own. It is also important that we have a few volunteers and their PAT dogs at the front of the Pets As Therapy stand at all times during the event. This gives the opportunity for the public to meet and find out more about the beneficial work they do.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all you kind help and support in promoting the beneficial work of Pets As Therapy at events around the country. It is a huge help in raising the profile of your work and that of almost 5,000 registered volunteers and their PAT dogs & PAT cats. – Thank You!

Important: Crufts is a wonderful experience; however, it is a **tiring, noisy and hot environment with many people, children and other dogs that will be in contact with your dog. Please do consider carefully your dog's age, health and ability to cope with these conditions and mix with other dogs as this is **not** a suitable environment for **all** dogs. Also if you are disabled or need to use a wheelchair please let us know on this application – this will not preclude you in anyway.**

****If you have trouble standing for long periods – this will be difficult as there is no seating on any stands, so do consider this before you apply.****



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Event Application Form		Name of event: CRUFTS 2018													
Name:							your ID								
Address:															
Tel Numbers:							Post code								
Dog's name					Age										
Breed:					Email address:										
Name of Establishment(s) you visit (If we do not have a record of this on our system we will require you to supply a PAT7)															
PLEASE COMPLETE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING															
Dog criteria: Environmental															
Does your dog cope with crowded noisy unusual situations?												YES	NO		
Social:															
Is your dog happy to be approached and stroked by people of all ages, ethnicity and disability?												YES	NO		
Is your dog friendly when greeted by other dogs?										Maybe	YES	NO			
Comments:															
Health /Welfare & appearance:															
Will your dog's worming and flea treatments be up to date?												YES	NO		
Is your dog overweight?												YES	NO		
Will your dog's coat be clean and well groomed?												YES	NO		
Will your dog be wearing a PAT jacket, collar and lead?												YES	NO		
Are you aware that PAT dogs are not allowed to wear collecting tins?												YES	NO		
Accidents can happen – remember to carry poo bags at all times and remember to report to the event cleaning team as necessary.															
Obedience															
Does your dog pull on the lead?												YES	NO		



Does your dog jump up or give paws?	YES	NO
Is your dog noisy – does he bark or whine?	YES	NO
Volunteer Criteria		
Are you aware you must not leave your PAT dog unattended during the event and must always have hold of your PAT dog's lead while in displays or representing the charity at an event?	YES	NO
Are you aware you must only ever handle one dog – your own PAT dog – while representing Pets As Therapy at an event?	YES	NO
You must be in full NEW Pets As Therapy uniform during the event. (You must have full uniform - Polo and dog coat as a minimum requirement)	YES	NO
To help promote a professional image while attending the event, are you happy to refrain from wearing anything that may cover the logo on your top?	YES	NO
Please keep in mind when working at events there is no opportunity to sit down unless on an allocated break – are you aware of this?	YES	NO
Are you aware you are required to work for a minimum of 2 or more hours on our trade stands? am/pm	YES	NO
Are you aware that any supporters accompanying you must wear uniform also	YES	NO
Bags CANNOT be taken into any <u>parade</u> so must be left with a friend or in a locker. You can take your handbag to collect on stands though. There is no facility to leave a bag on the PAT stand.	YES	NO
Do you understand if you are accepted but unable to attend, you must inform the Pets As Therapy registration office as soon as possible?	YES	NO
If we are invited, would you like to take part in a Pets As Therapy Parade of PAT dogs?	YES	NO
Will you be taking part in any other activities at this event?	YES	NO
Details:		
Will you inform a member of staff at the end of your time at the event before leaving?	YES	NO



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Are you aware you must not take part in any publicity, photographs, and interviews before – during and after the event without prior consent from a Pets As Therapy member of staff? <i>Please inform us if you are approached.</i>	YES	NO
Are you aware you will be fundraising by collecting on various stands at the event? <i>(approx. 2-4 hours)</i>	YES	NO
By signing below I give my consent for any images etc., relating to the event to be used by the charity or 3rd parties.	YES	NO
Are you aware that not being honest in the responses above can result in you being asked to leave the event at any stage?	YES	NO

Remember - you are only allowed to attend **two days** in total.

Please be **specific!! ****** with either 1 or 2 days indicated AND TICKED *and* if you have a preference the **exact days**. Remember unless you live nearby, two days separated will involve overnight stay or 2 long journeys.
Please circle:

ONE DAY TWO DAYS any 2 days any 1 day

Specific days: Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

NB: In the unlikely occasion that we see any behaviour where your dog appears to look unhappy, unsure or stressed, with the possible consequence of a welfare issue, safety issue and/or complaint from a member of the public or event organisers, we may ask you to withdraw from the event. This

PLEASE ENSURE ALL THE ABOVE FIELDS ARE COMPLETED BEFORE POSTING

Only successful applicants will receive a reply. Sorry we will not be able to contact all applicants who are unsuccessful this time. We would like to thank you in advance for all your kind help and support, please do not feel disappointed if your application is not successful. We will have very few places available and possible many applications.

**I have carefully read and agree to abide by the above guidelines if I am selected to work at THE EVENT.
I am aware that signing this form does not guarantee a pass for the event.**

Signed _____

Dated _____

Volunteer's Name _____

ID No. _____

Subscription up to date; Yes/No _____