

Frequently Asked Questions

What should I do if my foster pet is sick?

If your foster pet seems to be sick, please consult the foster package we gave you when you first took the animal. If you need more information you can call us at (514) 735-2711, ext. 2237 and leave a message. We will get back to you as soon as possible. We will then see what are the symptoms and if it is necessary or not for the animal to see the veterinarian. If it is the case, you must contact the Clinique Vétérinaire du Plateau at (514) 842-5490 to take an appointment. Fees of 5\$ will apply for the consultation and/or medication and the appointments are from Monday to Friday 10am to 6pm. If the animal needs to see a veterinarian and you cannot take it to the one on the Plateau, you will have to take it to another vet at your own fees. We can give you a tax receipt for charity donation if you provide us with your vet bills for foster animals.

When should I return the animal I foster?

You should bring back your foster animal at the date we gave you. This is all written on the protocol sheet you have. However, you can bring back the animals sooner in those conditions: Kittens can come back to the shelter as soon as they weight 2 pounds. For sick animals, we ask you to wait one (1) week after the end of the last symptoms and the medication. If you doubt, call us.

If, for any reason, you could not bring back the animal at the planned date, you have to call us so we can postpone the return.

What do I need to do if I want to adopt my foster pet?

Once the foster period done and the animal ready for adoption, you have to contact us to take an appointment. During this appointment, we will vaccinate the animal (if it applies) and do the adoption process. You will need to pay the adoption fees that occurs at that time. If the animal is not vaccinated yet, appointments are available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 10:00 am. If the animal is vaccinated, appointments are available during our opening hours, Monday to Friday from 4:00pm to 7:00pm and from 11:00am to 5:00pm during week-ends.

How can I prevent my foster pet from returning at the SPCA to get adopted?

It is an option for you to find permanent homes for your animals. Obviously, the adoption will be made through the SPCA normal process, but your pets won't go in a cage again. You can place ads at your office, in pet stores, veterinary offices, place of worships, markets, health clubs and other strategic places. Aggressively network friends, family, co-workers by email -- include digital photos. Give flyers to your children to take to school. Another way to proceed is to send us digital photos and a short description of the pet; we will then put an ad on Petfinder, the website on which the SPCA announces its animals for adoption. You can send us these documents at the following address: fosterpetfinder@yahoo.com. Please include your name, phone number/email and file number in your message.

To visit our animals, go to <http://www.petfinder.com/shelters/QC06.html>.



What should I do if I am missing some food for my foster pet?

Once you have used all the food we gave you at first, it is your responsibility to provide food for the animal. You are not required to use Royal Canine food but we strongly recommend that you use quality food, which you can find in any pet food store and not in supermarkets.

To have more information about health or care of foster animals, visit our foster care manuals at

<http://www.petfoster.org/SPCA.html>.

