



P.O. Box 24  
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973-838-2220  
Bass@BassShelterPets.org

## Volunteer Requirements

- Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older, or:
  - a. be at least 16 years of age with a signed parental consent form and waiver.
  - b. if under 16 years of age, a parent must be trained and be an active volunteer before the minor is eligible for volunteer duties.
- Must complete a volunteer application and waiver.
- Must understand the potential human health hazards and should have a current tetanus vaccination, if applicable.
- Must understand the possible disease risk and should have current vaccinations for animals at home.
- Must understand B.A.S.S. policies and procedures and be able to follow directions.
- Must immediately report any injuries received while volunteering to a B.A.S.S. board member.
- Must report any problems he/she may have with policies or staff, so that we can work together as an effective team.
- Must not knowingly take actions against the wishes of the voting membership as a whole.
- Must be a reflection of the values and standards set by B.A.S.S. and should feel comfortable with our policies and procedures, including euthanasia.
- Should join the staff as a result of mutual interest and concern for the animals.
- Should report on time and complete his/her shift as expected or find appropriate substitute coverage. If coverage cannot be obtained, advanced notice is required to be given to the shelter's operations director.

*Often people who care about the plight of homeless animals are overwhelmed by the enormity of the problem. It's true that no one person can save them all, but if you can make a difference in the life of even one animal, let alone hundreds each year, then your contribution is invaluable.*

*The B.A.S.S. volunteers are the core of our success in caring for the animals in our shelter.  
Thank you for your interest in becoming a B.A.S.S. Volunteer!*



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## Volunteer Agreement and Application

After completion, please email this application to [Bass@BassShelterPets.org](mailto:Bass@BassShelterPets.org). You will be notified after your application has been received and reviewed. Please be patient.

### Personal Profile

#### 1 Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date (optional): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Age group (check one):  16-17  18-25  26-40  41-60  over 60

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency, who should we notify?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2 Health Information

*Failure to disclose any limitations prior to acceptance may result in dismissal.*

Do you have any physical, medical, or psychological limitations or disabilities? (For example, a heart condition, mental illness, allergies, etc.)  Yes  No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have health insurance?  Yes  No



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### 3 Community Service

Please attach a copy of any paperwork required to be completed by B.A.S.S.

Is your volunteer work part of a community service program for school, church, scouts, etc.?

Yes  No

Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours required to work: \_\_\_\_\_

Date service must be completed by: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### 4 Other

Please list any prior work experience at an animal shelter or related field. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently involved with any other animal welfare organization?  Yes  No

If yes, how do you participate? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any pets? If yes, please list below:

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Spay/Neuter?  Yes  No

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Would you like to be considered for foster care of one or more of our animals?  Yes  No

*Consideration for foster care must be approved by appropriate B.A.S.S. board member.*

Have you ever been accused of or convicted of animal cruelty or mistreatment of an animal in the State of New Jersey or another state?  Yes  No

Although we make every effort to adopt the animals in our care, there are instances when this cannot occur, and these animals are humanely euthanized. (More explanation about this at orientation.)

How do you feel about this?

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### 5 Volunteer Hours and Schedule

Volunteers are needed as follows. Please check off when you'd want to volunteer:

#### Cat Adoptions:

##### **PetSmart, 57 Route 23, Wayne, NJ**

Once a month - First weekend of every month - Saturdays & Sundays - 1 pm-4 pm

##### **Petco, 1483 Route 23, Kinnelon, NJ**

Saturday mornings, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday mornings, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Fostering cat(s) and/or kitten(s) in your home

#### Helping at our dog foster home

260 Margaret King Avenue, Ringwood, NJ

8-9 am

3-5 pm

8-9 pm

Other - please explain:

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When would you be able to start volunteering? \_\_\_\_\_



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### **6 Terms and Conditions**

1. I understand that Bloomingdale Regional Animal Shelter Society (B.A.S.S.) has the right to refuse or revoke membership for reasonable cause. I further understand that continued membership is contingent upon following all B.A.S.S. policies and procedures.
2. I fully understand the hazards of working with animals and the possibilities of injury or disease transmission to myself or my pets while performing any duties for B.A.S.S. In the event of my injury or illness, I agree to pay for all medical and other costs in their entirety.
3. I understand the increased potential of exposure to rabies and tetanus. As part of my preventative care, I agree to discuss these issues with my private physician, including discussing a current tetanus inoculation.
4. I am in good physical health and am able to handle the tasks assigned to me as a volunteer for B.A.S.S. I have listed any health problems or special considerations in Section 2 of this agreement.
5. I waive my right to legal action against B.A.S.S.
6. I understand that I will not qualify for voting membership until the required six (6) month probationary period is satisfactorily completed. Voting status also requires a minimum commitment of ten (10) volunteer hours or more per month.
7. I certify that I am 18 years of age or older, or if under 18 years, I understand that I do not qualify for voting membership status. I further understand that as a minor, my parent or legal guardian, whose signature appears below, is responsible for my actions while performing my volunteer duties for B.A.S.S.

**Please read this page carefully before signing.**

#### **For all volunteers:**

I have read and understand the above terms as well as the B.A.S.S. Volunteer Requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Volunteer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print name

#### **For volunteers under 18 years of age:**

As a parent or legal guardian of the above-named minor, I certify that I have read and agree to the above terms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print name