Title of Role: Cat Enrichment

Purpose of Role:

To provide in-cage enrichment to felines in the form of socialization, play, exercise, visual stimulation, and mild grooming.

Qualifications:

- Must be over the age of 18
- Able to lift 15 pounds
- Familiarity with cat behaviours
- Experience handling cats
- Ability to follow and uphold strict instruction
- Able to work with minimum supervision, once trained
- Establish the practice of signing in/out of shifts, adhering to shelter protocols, and maintaining a consistent attendance record

Time Commitment:

• Minimum 1-year commitment to one, 3-hour shift per week

Primary Tasks/ Responsibilities:

- Socialize cats
- Provide play and/or exercise
- Provide visual stimulation
- Perform mild grooming (brushing)
- Document enrichment, behaviour and/or medical issues.
- Signing in/out of shifts, adhering to shelter protocols, and maintaining a consistent attendance record

Recruitment/ Selection:

- As per WECHS volunteer selection practices, volunteers must complete:
 - o WECHS Volunteer Application Form
 - Undergo an interview
 - When selected, complete a Criminal Record Check

Orientation and Training:

- General Volunteer Orientation
- Program Orientation and Buddy Shift(s) training by Shelter Managers
- Multiple Choice Testing with a grade of 90% or greater

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Dress Code: Comfortable clothing: long pant required

Isolation gowns and gloves

Closed-toed shoes No loose jewelry

Enrichment supplies, as provided by WECHS Volunteer must wear an ID badge at all times

Supervision: Shelter Managers

Behaviour Program Staff Volunteer Coordinator

Location: Onsite (Cat Adoptions/Kennels)

Recommended that program descriptions be reviewed annually and updated as necessary – cross reference and update job description, based on changes.

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