About Us

The ISPCA is the largest national animal welfare organisation in Ireland. We aim to prevent cruelty to all animals, promote kindness to animals and proactively relieve animal suffering in Ireland.

ISPCA Inspectors investigate allegations of animal cruelty and rescue the most vulnerable animals, those that have been cruelly treated, neglected or abandoned. Following rehabilitation, these animals are responsibly rehomed to loving new families.

Our Vision: To end cruelty to all animals.

Our Mission: Through education, legislation and ongoing support for our affiliated member societies, we can prevent cruelty to all animals.

Our Centres: We operate two Animal Centres; The National Animal Centre based in Derryglogher, Keenagh, Co. Longford and our Equine Rescue Centre in Dromsligo, Mallow, Co. Cork.



Home Forever Programme

Who will look after them after you are gone?

The ISPCA has created the Home Forever Programme to make sure we will be there if the worst were to happen. If you become incapacitated, move into residential care or pass away, we will look after your pets. Home Forever gives you the peace of mind that there can still be a bright future ahead for your beloved pet. The ISPCA will be on hand to look after your pet and we will do all we can to find a new and loving home.

How to join the Home Forever Programme

Becoming a member of the Home Forever Programme is simple. All you need to do is inform your Solicitor and your family or next of kin of your wishes.

There are four simple steps:

- Request an ISPCA information pack by completing the on-line application on our Home Forever page on our website www.ispca.ie. Alternatively, you can contact our fundraising department on 043 3325035 or email fundraising@ispca.ie to request an information pack.
- 2. Contact your Solicitor and make your wishes known. If you have already made a Will, then your solicitor will need to add a codicil (an addition to your Will). This additional clause will ensure that executors of your Will are fully aware of your wishes.
- **3**. Make a bequest to the ISPCA and make your family or next of kin aware of your wishes. You will find suggested wordings for your Will in this leaflet.
- 4. Inform the ISPCA that you want to become a member of the Home Forever Programme and that you have advised your solicitor/family of your wishes. Complete the registration form which is in your information pack and return to the ISPCA. The ISPCA will then register your membership on the database and send you a card for your wallet. This card will confirm that you are a member of the Programme and what your next of kin should do in the event of your passing.

What does the ISPCA promise?

Once the ISPCA has been notified about a Home Forever member's passing, then we will arrange for their pets to come into our care.

The ISPCA will do all it can to ensure your pet(s) are very well cared for by our trained and dedicated staff. Once vet checked, we will then search to find them loving new homes in line with our rehoming policies and procedures.

The ISPCA carries out home checks on all potential new pet owners and if approved, your pet(s) will be adopted to become part of a new family.



Your Contribution

The Home Forever Programme is a free service. But did you know that the cost of looking after a dog on average is around €2,000 per annum. The ISPCA will care for your pet(s) and find them a loving home. For this service, we ask you to consider a minimum of a €1,000 contribution through a gift in your Will. We simply wouldn't exist without public donations and without kind gifts left to us by our supporters in their Wills. This is why many supporters decide to leave a gift in their Will to the ISPCA so we can continue our vital work caring for the animals that need us the most.

Suggested wordings for your Will

Home Forever wording for your Will

We suggest that you ask your solicitor to include the following wording in your Will. This will pass ownership and care of your pets to the ISPCA after you pass away. You can bring this leaflet with you when you visit your solicitor to discuss your wishes.

"In the event that any pet animal of mine survives me and I have made no other provisions for its care, I direct my Trustees to notify the Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ISPCA), National Animal Centre, Derryglogher, Keenagh, Co Longford, N39X 257 (charity No CHY5619, Company No 460571. CRA Number 20008734) as soon as practical after my death and request the Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals both to relieve the Trustees of responsibility for the animals and to endeavour to place it in a suitable environment having absolute discretion to deal with the welfare of the animal as it considers fit and I direct also that (the Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals having accepted such a request) the animal shall not form part of my residuary estate."

In addition to the Home Forever programme, if you would like to remember the animals with a gift to the ISPCA in your Will, your solicitor might use the following suggested wording:

"I give a sum of_____, all (or a _____%share of) the residue of my estate to the Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ISPCA), National Animal Centre, Derryglogher, Keenagh, Co Longford, N39X 257 (Charity number CHY 5619, Company No460571, CRA Number 2008734) for its general charitable purposes and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or duly authorised officer shall be a valid and appropriate form of discharge."

Peace of Mind

The ISPCA's Home Forever Programme is about giving peace of mind to pet owners who worry about what will happen to their beloved pets when they are no longer able to look after them in the event that they become incapacitated, move into residential care or pass away. If your family or friends can't offer your pet a home then the ISPCA can.

How to sign up

To become a member of the ISPCA's Home Forever Programme, all you need to do is log onto our website www.ispca.ie and request an information pack. Alternatively, you can call the fundraising team on 043 33 25035 or email fundraising@ispca.ie for more information.



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