



Applicant Declaration

Eligibility of Board Members

In order to be eligible to serve as a Board member of the Nova Scotia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty ("The Nova Scotia SPCA"; "the Society"), an individual must be a permanent resident or a Canadian citizen and a resident of Nova Scotia. The individual must be at least 19 years of age and be or become a member in good standing of the Society.

As set out in the Nova Scotia "Animal Protection Act", and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society, and as follows, a Board member must be willing to accept and support all policies and positions approved by the Board of Directors.

Persons Not Eligible To Serve as Board Members

No person shall hold office or be a Board member of the Society or a Branch of the Society if that person:

- is involved knowingly directly or indirectly in the exploitation of animals in such a way as to cause them unnecessary suffering or has been charged under any animal cruelty act, provincial or federal
- is a current employee of the Society, or within the past 5 years has been an employee of the Society (exceptions must be approved by the Provincial Board of Directors)
- is involved in any legal action or dispute with the Society
- is a volunteer Special Constable/Agent
- is a partner or auditor of the Society's auditing firm
- is a partner of lawyer of the Society's law firm
- is a person who is in breach of any policy of the Society, or
- has resigned or been removed from the Board of Directors within the past 2 years (unless invited to return through a majority Board vote).

Requirements of All Board Members

- be members in good standing in the NS SPCA, either before and after or following appointment to the Board
- actively champion the Society's mandate, by action and example
- diligently prepare for, regularly attend and actively participate in Board meetings and other related meetings
- participate on committees and/or ad hoc groups that may be established to address specific issues
- accept and support all policies and positions approved by the Board of Directors
- assist in identifying opportunities for the Society relative to its strategic goals
- participate in various public events and fund-raising activities for the organization, including making personal financial contributions within means (minimum expectation of \$500.00 per year)
- develop a collegial working relationship with other Board members that contributes to problem-solving and consensus
- actively participate in the Board's annual evaluation and planning efforts

I have reviewed the eligibility criteria and requirements for service as Member of the Board of Directors of the Nova Scotia SPCA and by signing below, I declare that I am eligible to serve and will fulfill stated requirements if appointed.

Name of Applicant: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____