

Employment opportunities

Vacancies are advertised at rspcansw.org.au, and may also appear on online employment sites. These frontline professionals tirelessly advocate for animals, safeguarding their dignity daily. Beyond investigating cruelty, they educate communities on animal welfare and defend innocent animals in court. Being an inspector stands as one of our organization's most fulfilling roles.

“Working as an RSPCA inspector can be very tough at times, but it offers such incredible rewards, and the opportunity to change lives each and every day.” - Inspector Tyson

Day-to-day tasks

Investigate cruelty complaints

Provide education and guidance to animal owners

Prosecuting offences under POCTA NSW 1979

Advocating for animal welfare to stakeholders

Rescuing animals

Attending to injured or sick stray animals

Inspecting establishments for animal welfare



Qualifications needed



Certificates

Cert. IV in Government Investigations
Background studies in areas like veterinary science, law enforcement or biology preferred.



Skills Required:

Animal handling, law enforcement, communication, tech proficiency, and driving capability.



Eligibility Requirements:

Firearms license, background checks, medical examinations, including drug screening.

Competition for jobs in the animal industry is very strong. Why not give yourself a step up by volunteering at RSPCA NSW?

Visit rspcansw.org.au/get-involved/become-a-volunteer to find out more.

Or check out our current jobs on offer

<https://www.rspcansw.org.au/who-we-are/careers-at-rspca-nsw/>

A day in the life of an RSPCA NSW Inspector

Morning



As an RSPCA NSW inspector, you never know what the day will hold as we cover a wide region and several council areas.



First up, you respond a concerned welfare call about an underweight dog so you drive to the property to chat to the owner. A lot of inspector's work involves educating people on how to best care for their animals.



This dog was eating 2 meals a day but is still underweight. Worms! you think. You provide worming tablets and plan a follow up visit to check if the dog's condition improves. 'Ring Ring' Another call.



Follow up on last weeks abandoned cat rescue, the owner is calling back to explain they were on holiday and expected someone to care for her cat. This case will require further investigation.



After arriving at another reported site, you find a chained cow without shelter or water, an easy fix, but tension arises as the owner sees you on his property. Conflict resolution is a necessary skill for this job.

Afternoon



Your next complaint led you to a home with 2 male dogs and 10 female dogs enclosed in a small veranda. The dogs are well fed and healthy but you assess the living conditions need to be improved.



You discuss with the owners how to better their dogs' wellbeing and the benefits of desexing. They agree to surrender 7 of the female dogs and to discuss desexing with their local veterinarian.



Back to the RSPCA shelter to check in the surrendered dogs. While you're there you check on an abandoned dog you brought in last week. He doing much better and will be available for adoption soon!



Finally, you catch up on phone calls and prepare for a big day tomorrow. On the agenda is a court hearing and trapping feral cats. What a day!

INSPECTOR