

# THE SOFT-COATED WHEATEN TERRIER CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

## **REHOME SCHEME**

#### OUR OBJECTIVES

- To place in loving, caring homes, Soft Coated Wheaten Terriers who, due to unfortunate circumstances, require rehoming.
- The scheme to be self-supporting through donations and fund raising.

#### HOW WE WILL OPERATE THE SCHEME

- The Committee of the SCWT Club of GB will appoint a Rehome Co-ordinator who will be responsible for the day to day activities of the Scheme.
- The Rehome Coordinator will keep detailed records of all matters relating to the Scheme and provide a summary of current activities at each committee meeting. The Coordinator will also produce a yearly Rehome Report for presentation at the SCWT Club of GB 's AGM
- Requests for the Club's rehome service from owners or breeders will be dealt with in confidence.
- The Scheme will not have holding kennels and dogs will be rehomed on a 'Home to Home' basis. This means that dogs will stay in their own home until a new one can be found.
- The Scheme will consider each request, to rehome a dog, on its own merit.
- We will not undertake to rehome any dog which has been aggressive towards humans.
- If asked to rehome a Wheaten with serious behavioural issues, the Rehome Co-ordinator will request a full assessment by a recognised, qualified behaviourist, to be paid for by the current owners. On receipt of this, and only if the report is acceptable, assistance in finding new owners will be given. The new owners will be provided with a copy of the behaviourist's report.
- As from April 2016, it is a legal requirement for all dogs to be microchipped. If you are asking for your dog to be rehomed and it is not chipped, this must be done before the dog can be handed over to a new owner.
- If the dog's Kennel Club Registration Certificate is available, it will be forwarded to the Rehome Coordinator for retention and inclusion in the Club records.
- Following surrender of the Kennel Club Registration Certificate, and if requested, the Rehome Coordinator will provide a copy of the dog's pedigree to the new owners.
- If asked to rehome two dogs from the same home, we will endeavour to place them together for the benefit of the dogs, unless there is a valid reason to separate them.

- If a breeder or responsible owner is a member of the Club and wishes to take responsibility for rehoming their dog, assistance can be given by the Co-ordinator, i.e. providing details of potential new homes from the scheme's waiting list. If rehoming is carried out in this way, full details of both parties must be supplied to the Co-ordinator.
- On transfer of the dog, all new owners will be requested to make a donation to the Scheme. They will be informed that donations will be used for rescue, rehoming expenses or welfare purposes.
- When the Co-ordinator is notified about a Wheaten in a Rescue Centre, each case will be considered by the Committee, according to the individual circumstances. If appropriate, the Club's Facebook page may be used to disseminate details of the dog in need of a new home.

When the Club's Rehome Scheme was first set up, the majority of requests to rehome a Wheaten were for reasons such as a change in family circumstances, owner's ill health, divorce, death etc.

We are receiving an increasing number of requests from owners to rehome Wheatens, bred by commercial breeders who are not Members of the SCWT Club of GB. All requests will be considered on an individual basis and a Wheaten who is considered suitable for rehoming will be assisted according to the objectives of this Scheme.

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