

Woodcroft Veterinary Group, as well as being an RCVS accredited practice, is also a practice member of the International Cat Care & the International Society for Feline Medicine. In addition, our Cheadle and Offerton veterinary centres are ISFM accredited "Cat Friendly" clinics.

What is a Cat Friendly Clinic?

The ICC society is a charity dedicated to promoting the health and welfare of cats and its rigorous accreditation scheme was set up to reward veterinary practices that have identified & addressed the unique needs of cats in a veterinary clinical setting. By understanding these unique needs Woodcroft Vets, through improved working practices and knowledge, have achieved the standard necessary to call ourselves a 'Cat Friendly Clinic'.

"Membership of ICC and ISFM signifies that these practices are keen to increase their

knowledge
of feline
diseases
and
treatments,
and have a
real interest
in the
health and
welfare of
cats".



We are currently the only practice in Stockport to offer this accredited standard of veterinary care.

Cheadle Veterinary Centre

Councillor Lane, Cheadle, Stockport SK8 5NU **0161 485 8444**

Monday to Friday 8am – 7pm Saturday 8.30am – 5pm Sunday 10am – 4pm

Offerton Veterinary Centre

139 Lisburne Lane Offerton Stockport SK2 5RH **0161 456 3473**

Monday to Friday 8.30am – 6.30pm Saturday 8.30am – 12.30pm

> Cheadle Hulme A+E Vets 0161 486 2355 (Emergencies)

More information can be found at: facebook.com/woodcroftvets woodcroftvets.com











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Award winning cat friendly practices



Woodcroft Vets Cheadle and Offerton veterinary centres have been recognised by the International Cat Care (ICC) society as a "Cat Friendly Clinic".

We are currently the only veterinary practice in Stockport to offer this certified standard of care to our registered clients and their cats. Work is currently under way to ensure this service is offered at all of our larger centres.

Woodcroft Vets has made veterinary visits much more cat friendly.



Cats are highly sensitive to unusual sights, sounds and smells and much prefer quiet and solitude. In addition, cats often feel safe high up and you may have observed this behaviour when your cat chooses to rest on top of shelving or a kitchen unit. Many cats are very susceptible to stress, especially as a result of close contact with dogs.

To meet these specific feline needs, our cat friendly centres have separate dog and cat waiting areas. Furthermore, the cat waiting area has elevated platforms on which to place your cat's carrier so that they are above 'dog height', helping cats feel much less exposed and anxious.



If your feline friend does have to stay for the day, or overnight, our Cheadle centre & Queens Road hospital have separate cat hospital wards where considerable attention has been given to their individual requirements. In the cat wards feline pheromone therapy is used to alleviate anxiety and stress. The temperature in the wards can be carefully controlled and the lights can be dimmed. Sound insulation creates a quiet and peaceful environment to aid recovery.

Cat only appointment sessions are also available on a regular basis. Not only are there no dogs during these consulting periods but they are also scheduled at the quietest times of the day so your cat will be much less stressed.

Cats need to be handled gently, with great care and respect. Our Woodcroft Vets team have all undergone additional veterinary training to help understand these requirements: feline patients are treated in an empathetic and thoughtful manner. As part of the certification process, each clinic has a nominated 'Cat Advocate': a member of staff who ensures all the cat friendly standards are adhered to. The "Cat Advocates" at Woodcroft Vets are more than happy to answer any questions you may have. Clinic visits can be arranged to allow you to see 'behind the scenes' and to show you the feline specific facilities available.

The range of medical facilities available at a veterinary practice is also assessed as part of the 'Cat Friendly Clinic' award scheme: from blood pressure to blood transfusion, CT scanning to cataract surgery or digital radiography to Doppler ultrasound, we are able to offer state of the art medical treatment to all our feline patients.



In summary, a veterinary practice certified as a 'Cat Friendly Clinic' gives you the peace of mind and reassurance that it has thought about the specific needs of your cat.