

Searching for Services

Currently (stage 1) we are registering Practitioners and Providers for their area(s) of involvement. When live (stage 2), six service categories will be presented (see page 1 below). Each will lead to one of the six lists featured on page 2 (below). Searchers will be able to identify and choose the most appropriate service(s) for their needs, before adding the location of their search.

1. Dog Ownership & General Training

Services for families wishing to seek guidance for puppy / adult dog socialisation, life skills / responsible dog ownership training, awards, basic obedience through to more advanced training, non-competitive and fun activities

2. Problem Behaviour Management

Services for families needing help to understand and or modify repeated unwanted behaviours – from jumping up, not coming back when called, barking, soiling, through to acts of aggression, fear, unpredictable and obsessive behaviours

3. Training for Regulated Activities

Group / individual services (basic to advanced) for enthusiasts – more formal training based on regulated activities such as Obedience, Agility, Trials (Working, Field, Sheepdog, Water, etc) Heelwork to Music and Ring Craft (Showing)

4. Breed Specific & Sporting Activities

Group / individual services and training opportunities from gundog 'picking-up', water work, scent work, tracking, hunting and racing, to breed activities, breeding advice and specific character / temperament assessments, etc

5. Related Working Activities & Jobs

For Practitioners involved in additional working activities and offering related handling advice – Assistance Dogs, Search & Rescue, Pest Control, Grooming, Veterinary and various alternative / related therapies eg hydrotherapy etc

6. Day Care & Residential Training

For Practitioners offering additional services related to training, socialisation and behaviour management for dogs in the absence of their families and or offering follow-up behaviour and training advice to their clients accordingly

Current choices within each of the categories – each box will be shown as a separate web page. Services will be added or re-defined as Practitioners and Providers are registered during stage 1.

1. Dog Ownership & General Training

Group training sessions:

- a. Puppy Socialisation (under 4 months) – preparing for life in society – aspects of routine training
- b. Pet (companion) Dog Training – life skills – manners – socialisation – responsibilities
- c. Good Citizen Dog Scheme and other Awards
- d. Clicker training, tricks, challenges
- e. Basic obedience – more traditional classes
- f. Advanced obedience (competitive based)
- g. Fun activities (competitive based) eg agility, rally
- h. Scent based challenges, tracking, search & find

Individual 1:1 guidance:

- i. Personal training sessions for any of the above
- j. Further help for people experiencing difficulties with the routine training of their puppies / dogs
- k. Home visits as i.& j. above

2. Problem Behaviour Management

Further training / re-training

- a. Puppy development issues – excessive biting, chewing, soiling, not sleeping, fear, 'hyper' etc
- b. General difficulties in public – jumping-up, leash control, recall, barking, travel, over-excited etc
- c. General difficulties in the family home – separation, soiling, nervous, barking, attention seeking, etc

Specialist help

- d. Hard to control but instinctive canine behaviours – guarding, predatory chase, scavenging, sexual etc
- e. Aggression towards dogs – barking, lunging, aggressive displays, bites, attacks
- f. Aggression towards people – barking, lunging, aggressive displays, bites, attacks

On veterinary referral

- g. Obsessive / unresponsive a-f behaviours
- h. Unnatural / abnormal canine behaviours
- i. Medical related conditions and phobias

3. Training for Regulated Activities

- a. Obedience
- b. Rally-O
- c. Working Trials
- d. Agility
- e. Flyball
- f. Field Trials (see also general gundog training)
- g. HTM
- h. Other

4. Breed Specific & Sporting Activities

- a. Dog Shows / Ring Craft
- b. Breed Specific Temperament Testing
- c. Breeding Advice
- d. Working Gundogs
- e. Hunting
- f. Racing
- g. Water activities
- h. Canicross
- i. Other

5. Related Working Activities & Jobs

- a. Search & Rescue
- b. Assistance Dogs – guide – hearing – support – canine partners – etc
- c. Service Dogs – army – police – prison
- d. Therapy Work – hydro – TT
- e. Grooming
- f. Kennel work – Boarding,
- g. Rescue and Rehoming
- h. Veterinary Care
- i. Other

6. Day Care & Residential Training

- a. Dog Walkers (from owners home)
- b. Dog Sitters (in owners home)
- c. Multi-dog Day Care / Dog Crèche
- d. Own home day care
- e. Own home overnight boarding
- f. Residential Training Kennels
- g. Residential Training 1:1 in home
- h. Other