

Purpose Statement

SEG Awards Level 3 Diploma in Canine Care, Behaviour and Welfare – 610/3410/1

Overview

The SEG Awards Level 3 Diploma in Canine Care, Behaviour and Welfare has been designed to provide learners with the knowledge of caring for Canines to provide high welfare standards and knowledge of their behaviour.

Who is this qualification for?

The SEG Awards Level 3 Diploma in Canine Care, Behaviour and Welfare is designed for learners of the age of 16 and over, who are currently working with Canines and wishing to formalise their learning or for those Learners who are new to Canine care, behaviour and welfare.

There are no entry requirements for this qualification however, it is expected for Learners to have working knowledge of at least level 2.

What does the qualification cover?

The SEG Awards Level 3 Diploma in Canine Care, Behaviour and Welfare has been designed to provide learners with the knowledge required to begin a career in Canine care, or to provide a formal qualification to those already working in Canine care, behaviour or welfare.

The qualification covers:

- **Canine Legislation** - Learners will look at the Legislations involved in Canine care, including situations when these Legislations may be enforced.

This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

- **Canine Origins** – Learners will be introduced to the concepts of ethology and Canine origin, looking at the relationship between breeds and their specific traits.

This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

- **How Canines Learn** – Learners will examine the use of training methods to reinforce learning. Positive and negative methods are investigated, with Learners assessing the impact of both on the behaviour and welfare of Canines.

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This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

- **Canine Behaviour** – Learners will explore body language and behaviour signals seen in Canines. This includes the causes and signs of different undesirable behaviours and techniques used to modify behaviours. Aggression will also be examined, including how to recognise the signs and situations leading up to aggressive behaviour.

This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

- **Caring for Canines** – Learners will be introduced to the basics of Canine care including first aid, grooming for welfare and whelping. The social development of puppies will be examined along with the positive ownership of Canines.

This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

- **Care of Canines in Settings** – Learners will identify the needs of Canines when in kennels, home boarding facilities and day care including welfare needs, health needs and emotional needs. Learners will know the risks posed to people working with animals which is vital, and learners will be introduced to these risks and learn how to minimise them.

This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

- **Moving Canines Safely** - Learners will observe Canines in different situations before, during and after handling and moving, to ensure the process is stress free and suited to the situation.

This unit is a knowledge-based unit, with no physical requirements.

Practical Hours Requirement

There is no external practical hour requirements attached to this qualification.

Assessments

This qualification is to be completed by portfolio submission, with clear evidencing linked to the relevant Assessment Criteria.

Unless stated otherwise, Skills and Education Group Awards require a minimum of three examples when learners are asked to demonstrate various methods or techniques. This requirement ensures that the learner shows a clear understanding of the assessment criteria.

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What could this qualification lead to?

By obtaining this qualification, learners will have the necessary skills and knowledge to allow them the opportunity to potentially progress into employment within canine settings.

This qualification goes hand in hand with a variety of Skills and Education Group Awards regulated qualifications within the Animal Care sector, supporting learners' knowledge and experience in xxx, which will support learners progress on to the following qualifications/areas:

- SEG Awards Level 4 Diploma in Canine Welfare, Training and Behaviour
- SEG Awards Level 5 Diploma for Canine Behaviour Practitioners
- SEG Awards Level 6 Diploma in Applied Canine Behaviour Management

The two (and only) units from the SEG Awards Level 3 Award in Canine Care and Welfare qualification feed into this qualification:

- SEG Awards Level 3 Care of Canines in Settings
- SEG Awards Level 3 Canine Behaviour

Centres should be aware that Reasonable Adjustments, which may be permitted for assessment, may in some instances limit a learner's progression into the sector. Centres must, therefore, inform learners of any limits their learning difficulty may impose on future progression.

Further Information

Further information on the qualification can be found on the Skills and Education Group Awards website.