Dog Carer Person Specification

Factor	Essential	Desirable
Values and behaviours	 Respect - Has due regard for the feelings, wishes, or rights of others and treat all animals and people with respect and dignity Integrity – Has strong morals and principles to do the right thing for every dog in their care Care - Is passionate about the welfare of dogs, and is inspired by the needs and care for dogs Excellence – Strives for excellence in all they do 	
Job specific skills	 Able to demonstrate aptitude for dog handling Ability to communicate effectively with colleagues and members of the public 	
Previous relevant experience	 Able to demonstrate ability to organise own work priorities within set time frames Ability to work well unsupervised or as part of a team 	 Practical experience working with dogs within either dog care or training environment Work with volunteers
Knowledge	 Understanding of animal care and behaviour 	 Basic computer skills Not for profit organisations Customer services Characteristics of different dog breeds
Qualifications/ Training	Basic literacy and numeracy	 Knowledge of dog care and welfare 3 GCSE grade C or above or equivalent experience Animal microchipping qualification First Aid Training
Special requirements	 Able to work on a flexible basis (hours/days) including weekends and bank holidays Full driving licence 	Live locally
Dog friendly	 Comfortable with dogs in the workplace No dog allergies or health conditions that would be affected by working in close contact with dogs Willingness to clean out animal areas and handle dog waste Willingness and ability to exercise dogs on walks in all weather 	 Handling and working with different breeds of dog Animal welfare Customer services Microchipping dogs and administering medication
Eligibility to work in UK	 Proof of identity and eligibility to work in the UK 	