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Assessment Requirements for CSCDOG005 Train detector dogs

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	These Assessment Requirements were released in CSC Correctional Services Training Package release 1.0 and meet the Standards for Training Packages.

*Please refer to the
advice in the CSC
Assessment Guide.*

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the candidate must demonstrate evidence of performance of the following on at least one occasion.

- working independently and in teams to train and develop the capabilities of detector dogs
- assessing dogs to determine readiness to extend the range of odours they are capable of detecting
- collecting, analysing and organising information to produce records and reports required by the organisation, work unit standards and animal welfare authorities
- using humane methods of training dogs
- working effectively with detector dogs in environments determined by the organisation

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the depth of knowledge demonstrated must be appropriate to the job context of the candidate.

- role of detection dogs within the organisation
- animal health and welfare requirements and regulations affecting working dogs
- conditioning principles and appropriate methods of rewarding specific detector dogs for exhibiting required behaviour
- humane and positive training methods that reinforce natural behaviour and maintain the working skills and enthusiasm of detector dogs
- items and their associated odours that a detector dog could be required to detect in its working role within the organisation
- methods of assessing when dogs are ready to extend the range of odours they are able to detect
- positive and negative indicators shown by detector dogs when detecting (or not detecting) specific odours

- records and reports required by legislative authorities, the organisation, work unit and animal welfare authorities

Assessment Conditions

Evidence for assessment must be gathered over time in a range of contexts to ensure the person can achieve the unit outcome and apply the competency in different situations or environments.

Valid assessment of this unit requires a workplace environment or one that closely resembles normal work practice and replicates the range of conditions likely to be encountered while training detector dogs, including coping with difficulties, irregularities and changes to routine. This unit contains knowledge which may be assessed off the job, for example, in a structured learning process.

Assessors must satisfy the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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