

Job of the Week

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KENNEL WORKER

Kennel Workers work in kennels to support the wellbeing of dogs, including feeding, cleaning enclosures, keeping the animals clean and well groomed and exercising them. They look after animals which may be elderly, ill or distressed and are likely to be working outdoors in a range of weather conditions. Kennel Workers may also be required to take bookings, handle payments and greet visitors to the premises.

skills

- *Passion for working with animals*
- *Confidence to handle animals*
- *Ability to communicate with a wide range of people*
- *Initiative to work on your own*
- *Flexible and open to change*
- *Good observational skills to notice changes in animals' behaviour*
- *Patient and caring attitude*
- *Organisational skills*

Key Info



Salary

Starting Salary: around £12,000
With experience: around £17,000
Managers may earn more



Qualifications

Min of GCSE (9-4) in English and Maths (this may vary)
Experience of a kennels



Routes

GCSEs as a minimum
FE Course or Apprenticeship in Animal Care or Animal Management



Labour Market

Jobs UK: 61,763
Jobs Gateshead: 108
UK Growth: +18.5% (2027-27)
NE Growth: +14.6% (2017-27)



Working Hours

Approximately 40hrs per week
Including early mornings, evenings, weekends and public holidays



Related Careers

Dog Trainer
Veterinary Nurse
Animal care assistant

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