

Camp K-9 Trainer Job Description

Camp k-9 Trainer: 10-30 hours per week, wage determined by TCOTC board

1. Position Description: Manage and train dogs boarded at TCOTC.
2. Reports to: Department Supervisor
3. Supervisory Role: None
4. Responsibilities:
 - Train dogs using TCOTC approved methods and according to developed plan
 - Develop training plan for each dog based on owner's goals
 - Provide ongoing assessment of each dog
 - Keep written records of each dog's training plan and progress in plan
 - Be available to open or close business, or both, during designated hours
 - Communicate individual dog's progress to owners
 - Apply positive behavior modification techniques to dog training
 - Clean kennels daily after use
 - Set up and put away kennels in designated area
 - Modify forms (assessment, in-take, etc.) as needed
 - Miscellaneous building tasks as assigned
 - Keep financial records pertaining to Camp k-9 operation
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5. Job Qualifications:
 - 18 years or older
 - Self-directed
 - Experience working with diverse breeds
 - Effective communication
 - Ability to lift 50 pounds
 - Demonstrate knowledge of positive training methods and current TCOTC curriculum
 - Demonstrate that you can train a dog using positive reinforcement methods
 - Ability to apply positive dog behavior techniques to individual dogs
 - Demonstrate knowledge of dog behavior and possess good observational skills
 - Ability to break down basic exercises into teachable units
 - Demonstrate a willingness to follow TCOTC training methods and philosophies
 - Familiarity of safety in use of dog sports equipment
 - Interest in learning about dog behavior and dog training
6. Preferred Qualifications
 - Professional certification
7. Equipment:
 - Computer, internet and e-mail
 - Clicker
 - Dog sports training equipment
8. Professional Development:
 - Attend 4 staff meeting per year
 - Attend 1 dog obedience seminar annually (reimbursable up to TCOTC approved amount)