

## Application Form

### To be filled in by your employer:

I confirm that (name).....  
is employed by me and that I will support their  
application for entry to the BGRB training scheme.

Name: .....

Signature: .....

Address: .....

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Postcode: .....

Telephone number: .....

Email address: .....

### Please send this form to

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BGRB Training Coordinator,  
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## Who's Who

The Greyhound Care scheme is offered by the BGRB in partnership with the College of Animal Welfare. The College of Animal Welfare is recognised as one of the country's leading training providers with five training centres supporting education and training throughout the UK.

## Funding

The BGRB and the Learning and Skills Council will fund the programme and any residential, travel and other personal expenditure. However, the BGRB will not cover the salary costs of participants.

## Roles and Responsibilities

Success in the scheme requires all participants to work together. Before being accepted onto a programme each candidate and their employer will be visited by a representative of the College or the BGRB to ensure that they clearly understand their commitment.

**The Candidate** – Will be asked to confirm that they will complete any work set within agreed timescales and be ready for assessment when required.

**The Employer (Trainer)** – Agrees to allow the candidate to undertake work set during working hours and to agree times when the candidate can be assessed across a range of tasks.

**The College** – Will undertake to set reasonable timescales and work flexibly with candidates and employers to ensure that the routine of the kennel is not unduly disrupted.

**The BGRB** – Will monitor progress and work to ensure that the needs of all stakeholders are reasonably met.

# Greyhound Care

A National Vocational Qualification  
for those working with greyhounds



Greyhound Care has been  
developed to meet the  
requirements of the  
N/SVQ Animal Welfare  
qualification at level 2



The British Greyhound Racing Board (BGRB) scheme is open to anyone working in NGRC licensed kennels. Candidates can be of any age, should normally be in regular employment and have had at least six months experience of working in kennels. The programme offers the opportunity for candidates to demonstrate the skills required through a combination of work-based and off the job training whilst maintaining their employed status. The programme is offered at no cost to the participant or their employer and features training materials specifically tailored to meet the needs of the greyhound racing industry. Successful candidates will receive a nationally recognised certificate of achievement as well as recognition by the industry.

Candidates will demonstrate skills in the following areas:

- Develop personal performance and maintain working relationships
- Promote and maintain the health and well-being of greyhounds
- Establish and maintain greyhounds within their accommodation
- Ensure actions reduce risks to health and safety
- Provide feed and water to greyhounds
- Receive, transmit and store information within the workplace
- Provide exercise opportunities for greyhounds
- Prepare and groom greyhounds
- Assist with the movement of greyhounds
- Handle and care for greyhounds to enable them to work effectively
- Control and restrain greyhounds.

Candidates under 25 years of age must also complete exercises in the following areas in order to meet Government funding requirements:

**Key skills** – generic qualification in areas such as communications, application of number, IT, problem solving and others.

**Employment responsibilities and rights** – a general introduction to the industry.

Candidates are also expected to complete a First Aid certificate.

## Timescale

The programme will take at least nine months for an experienced candidate and up to 15 months for the less experienced.

## Typical Programme Content

Activity	Duration	Delivery Mode
Initial assessment – includes individual learning plan	3 hour session	1:1 interview 3 way interview Computer Based Assessment Meeting with learning advisor, learner and work supervisor
Work-based training – theory and practical	Pre-arranged visits during the programme – average visits every 4-6 weeks	1:1 delivery and practical demonstration
Knowledge and understanding	Pre-arranged visits during the programme to set work visits every 4-6 weeks	Self study using training workbook and other sources
Key skills	Variable according to individual learning plans Develop Portfolio	Computer or paper-based tests Observation and use of diverse evidence
NVQ Assessment	Pre-arranged visits during the programme to set work visits every 4-6 weeks	Assessment Planning Observation Assessment of diverse evidence Portfolio development
Group training	4x2 day training events to be held at local centre	To include formal taught activity Practical demonstration and practice Assignments
Exit guidance	1 hour	1:1 session

## Application Form

Please – before returning this form make sure that you have the support of your employer

I would like to take part in the BGRB Training programme.

**To be filled in by you**

My name is: .....

The name of my employer is: .....

We are associated with? *Track (where applicable):* ....

I can be contacted at:

Address: .....

Postcode: .....

Telephone number: .....

Email address: .....

Signature: .....

Please get your employer to complete the rest of the form.

See over.