

Pet behaviour consultant

Pet behaviour consultants help pet owners deal with animal behaviour problems.

Average salary (a year)



Variable

Typical hours (a week)



37 to 39

variable

You could work



evenings / weekends

as customers demand

Different routes to get this job

(check the website for entry requirements)

- a university course
- a college course
- an apprenticeship
- working towards this role
- applying directly
- specialised training with a professional body

Skills and knowledge

You'll need:

- knowledge of animal psychology
- excellent verbal communication skills
- the ability to work on your own
- the ability to teach pet owners new training and pet management techniques
- to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- customer service skills
- the ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure
- the ability to work well with others
- to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device

Day-to-day tasks

On a typical day you might:

- take referrals from vets
- hold consultations in your own centre or in owners' homes
- talk to owners and observe their animals
- investigate the nature of the problems and likely causes
- create a training plan for individual animals
- check the animal's progress
- keep up to date with animal welfare regulations

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