



**Role Title:** Dog School Volunteer

**Location:** Monday evenings at DT Glasgow Rehoming Centre, West Calder and Newton Mearns.  
Tuesday evenings at Townhead Village Hall.  
Wednesday evenings at DT Glasgow Rehoming Centre.  
Thursday evenings at DT Glasgow Rehoming Centre.  
Sunday morning/afternoons at Mount Vernon Community centre.

**Main contact:** John Paul Maguire, Head Coach

**Suggested time Commitment:** 1 shift per week (approx. 4hrs)

### **Purpose of the role:**

To support and assist the Dog School Coaches during training classes. The aim of Dog School is to help owners to train their dogs in a kind, fair and effective way, which will enhance day to day living and enable the best possible relationship to develop between the owner and dog.

### **Key responsibilities:**

- To provide support to the Dog School Coaches so that they can deliver the best training services to dog owners.
- To aide owners with training tasks during classes supporting where required on a one to one basis.
- Setting up and packing down the equipment needed for the classes.
- To help with any administration needed within the class.
- Be an ambassador for Dogs Trust and Dog School.
- Be knowledgeable on the work of Dogs Trust and the purpose of Dog School.

### **Required skills & Competencies:**

- Be available to attend regular classes on an on-going basis.
- Excellent face to face communication skills with the ability to listen.
- Confident and approachable manner.
- Confidence around different breeds and sizes of dogs.
- Ability to work comfortably in a close-knit team.
- A good level of fitness as the role will be fairly active.
- Ability to follow instructions in a fast-paced environment.
- Be passionate about dogs and dog welfare.



### **What this role will offer you:**

We will provide you with a main contact who will manage your tasks, answer your questions and help you with the volunteer rota. Induction and ongoing role-specific training, guidance and support as well as an opportunity to develop your current skills, and to gain new ones. We will provide a Dogs Trust volunteer uniform, alongside recognition of the role that you are carrying out in support of Dogs Trust through our Volunteer Merits Scheme.

**Please contact [GlasgowDogSchool@dogstrust.org.uk](mailto:GlasgowDogSchool@dogstrust.org.uk) or 07920 658 653 for further details about this role and our current availability.**



### **A final word from our CEO**

Without our dedicated volunteers we couldn't hope to achieve as much as we do for the dogs in our care; the support they give is absolutely vital to our work. I hope that everyone who volunteers for us agrees that volunteering with Dogs Trust is a hugely rewarding experience.

Owen Sharp, Chief Executive

***Dogs Trust is the UK's largest dog welfare charity. Through our network of 20 rehoming centres across the UK and one in Ireland we care for almost 17,000 abandoned and unwanted dogs a year. No healthy dog is ever destroyed.***

