

JOB SPECIFICATIONS

ANIMAL GROOMER



Final level of education : from age 16 in France

Business sector: animal health

Professional skills: Demonstrate autonomy, rigor and precision, adapt to change.

Main responsibilities

- Carries out hygiene and maintenance according to the needs and characteristics of the pet.
- Can advise on and sell pet care products, accessories and food.
- May manage a grooming salon.

Degree and training

- Canine Grooming Technical Certificate =
- The BNTC (Brevet national de Toilettéur canin) is a state-approved level V certificate. The course lasts two years and is aimed at young people aged 16 to 25 who have completed 3e level.
- Technical Certificate for Canine, Feline and NAC Groomers =
- Certification as a canine and feline groomer (CTM), managed by the Assemblée permanente des chambres de métiers et de l'artisanat (APCMA), can be awarded after training or on-the-job experience;
- Animal groomer

Examples of areas of expertise (non-exhaustive list)

- Animal anatomy
- Animal nutrition
- Animal pathologies
- Animal behavior
- Animal approach and handling techniques
- Pain levels, Animal care
- infectious diseases.
- Animal reception procedures
- Surface disinfection techniques
- Health risk prevention procedures
- Equipment sterilization techniques
- Health safety standards
- Hygiene and asepsis rules
- Compliance with health and safety standards
- Competition animals
- Use of animal podiatry hand tools

Working conditions and occupational hazards

- Noisy environment;
- Wearing personal protective equipment (PPE): gloves, shoes, helmet, hearing protection;
- Wearing professional clothing or uniforms;
- Carrying and handling heavy or cumbersome loads;
- Prolonged standing ;
- Business travel;
- anti-rabies and anti-tetanus vaccinations required ;
- No allergies (hair, products, etc.).

Work schedule and hours

- Working weekends and public holidays
- Seasonal work.

Salary

80% of jobs offer a gross monthly salary of between €1,747 and €1,940

Special features: Private-sector employee (permanent or fixed-term contract) or self-employed.