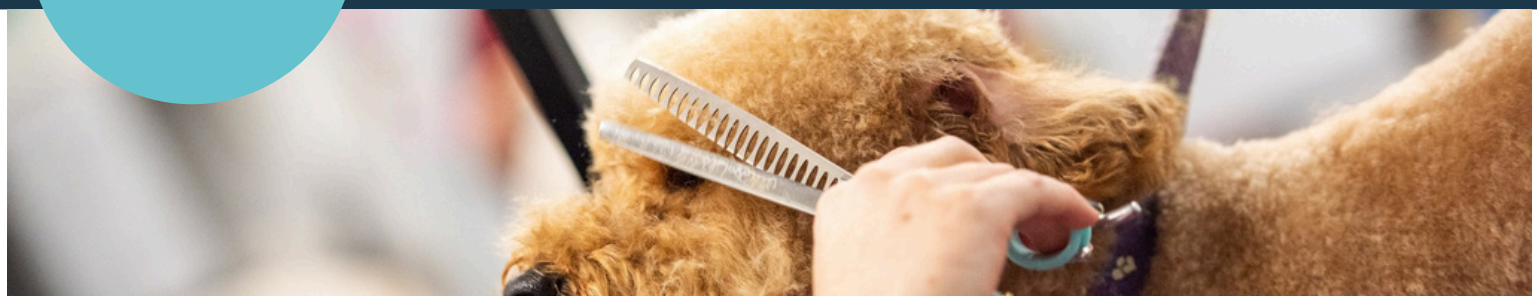
Training School



If you're passionate about dogs and looking to start a rewarding career in grooming, The Dog House Worcester offers the perfect place to learn. Our training is hands-on, practical, and taught within a professional salon environment, giving students real experience working with a variety of breeds, coat types, and grooming techniques. From bathing and styling to hand-stripping and breed-specific trims, you'll learn from an experienced team dedicated to helping you build confidence and professional skills.

Led by award-winning groomer, Dawn Inett, our salon is known for its high standards and expert knowledge. We are passionate about sharing that knowledge with the next generation of groomers, offering supportive training tailored to all experience levels. Whether you're completely new to grooming or looking to improve your existing skills, The Dog House Worcester provides a friendly and inspiring environment to help you achieve your goals in the dog grooming industry.

Our Courses

City & Guilds Level 2 & 3 Combined

The Dog House Diploma

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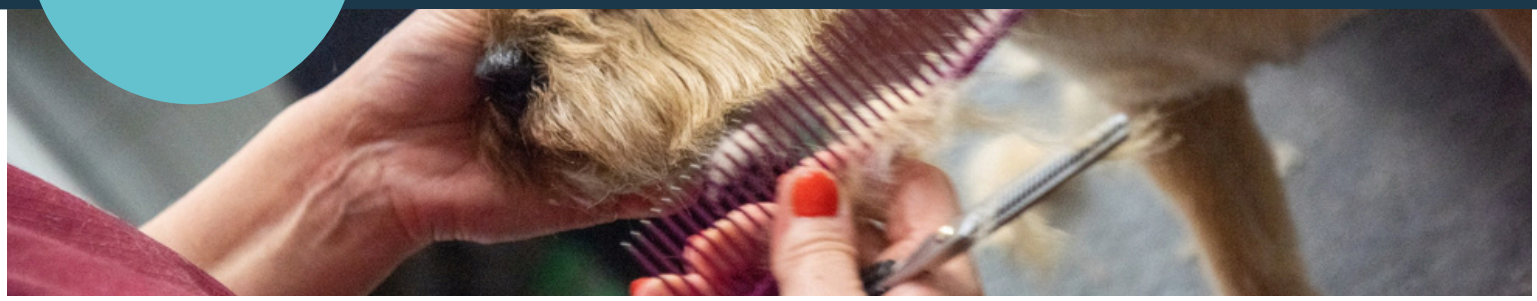


Our most popular training option is to complete the City and Guilds Level 2 and 3 together.

This enables you to start with no experience, and finish fully trained with a nationally recognised qualification at the end of your training with us!
You will start off by training for and completing your Level 2 Certificate for Dog Grooming Assistants, and then continuing on to complete your Level 3 Diploma in Dog Grooming.

Here's what you'll need to do to learn and complete to gain your qualifications...

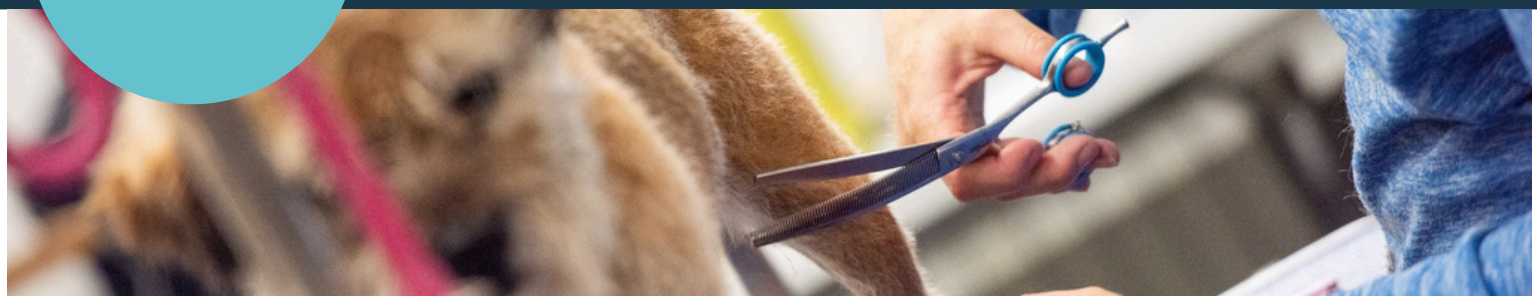
Level 2 Certificate for Dog Grooming Assistants

- Assessing behaviour, identifying breeds, lifting and moving dogs using relevant restraints and handling.
- Basic health checking, identifying key anatomical points, type of coat and preparing the dogs for bathing.
- Bathing, drying, nail and ear care.
- Trimming to prepare for styling
- Cleaning the salon and equipment
- 1 x online multiple choice exam (60 minutes)

There are also written assignments and worksheets to complete to ensure you learn the theory side of dog grooming too!

Level 3 Diploma in Dog Grooming

- Risk assessment
- Client consultation and style a drop coat
- Hand strip a dog
- Style a wool mix coat and maintenance of equipment
- Style a dog to breed standard and health check
- First aid



There are also written assignments and worksheets to complete. Upon completion of all of the theory and practical assessments, you will be required to sit a 2 hour online written exam to be sat under full exam conditions. It is held at an external site twice a year in June and November.

What is included in the price?

- 210 hours tuition (approx 26 days)
- Guided home study
- The dog groomers manual – What Every Professional Dog Groomer Should Know!
- Free membership to Groomers Gallery
- Free access to Julie Harris C&G Complete Level 3 Theory

£6,999

If you wish, we are able to sign you up for the Level 2 only at a cost of £2,899, or the Level 3 only at a cost of £5,099.

If you wish to complete just the Level 2, we run this twice a year on set dates. Please get in touch with us to enquire about when our next course will be taking place.

You must hold the Level 2 City & Guilds qualification in order to sign up for the Level 3.

If you hold a Level 2 from another training provider, then we insist that you complete a one day assessment (prepping/grooming a breed of your choice in our salon) prior to signing up for our Level 3 (at a cost of £150)

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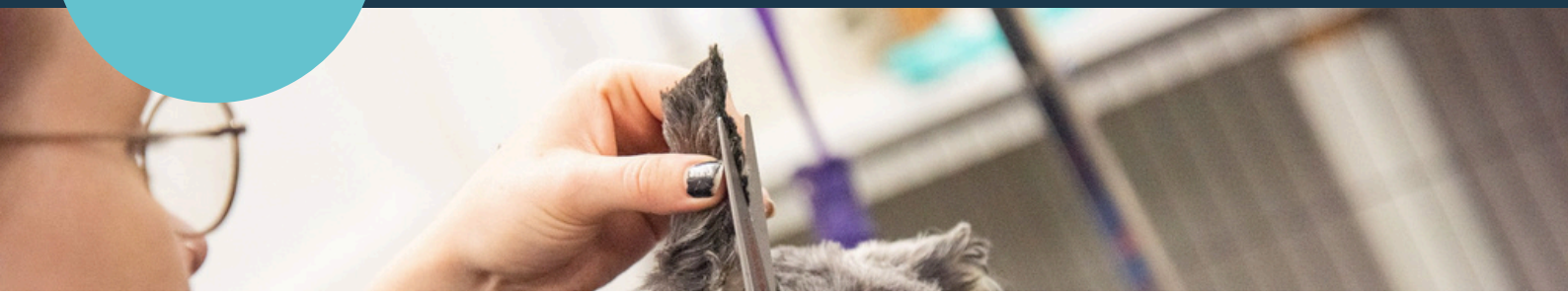

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If you want to learn dog grooming to a professional standard and start your own business, you can train at The Dog House without the added pressure of completing the extra qualification requirements.

We offer our own 20 day (120 hours) dog grooming course for those who do not want a formal qualification or stress of exams.

This course will take you through:

- Meeting and greeting customers and their dogs
- Bathing and drying
- Preparing the dog for styling
- Styling the dog
- Finishing the groom
- Giving feedback to the customer
- Cleaning and maintenance of the salon
- Help and advice regarding setting up your own business.
- A copy of the dog groomers manual – What Every Professional Dog Groomer Should Know!

Please note, a certificate is supplied by The Dog House to show completion of the course, however, this is not a formal, nationally recognised certificate

Cost £4,250

Contact Us

If you think you might like to join us to start your new career, how about visiting us for a student open event?

Our open events are a great opportunity to come and look around the salon, and ask any questions you may have about our courses and training.

View upcoming dates here

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

The team at The Dog House, Worcester

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