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| **DEVON & CORNWALL POLICE** |  |

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| Job Title: | Constable – Dog Training Instructor |
| Job Type: | Permanent |
| Number of Positions: | 2 |
| Number of Hours: | 40 |
| Based at: | Police Headquarters, Exeter. Can be flexible as to where you live within Devon and Cornwall, however there will be a requirement to deliver training from Exeter on a regular basis. |
| Principal Responsibility: | To design and deliver appropriate training in line with the ACPO/NPCC Police Dog Manual of Guidance, so that police dogs and their handlers can be trained, assessed and licensed at the required NPCC standards and to provide specialist support to police activity and operations, primarily within Response, by the use of a general-purpose police dog. In particular, to:   * Ensure that equality and diversity standards and requirements are fully considered and implemented appropriately throughout practice and process. * Ensure that quality assurance standards are present, used and embedded in line with the centralised directive. * Monitor national, regional and local developments in training delivery methods and innovative ways of learning. * Continue to provide an operational support dimension for the organisation, maintaining effectiveness and competence within an agreed operational or functional area by undertaking a range of activities including developing puppies to adulthood for succession planning. * Where appropriate, undertake assessment activities of individuals against agreed and established competencies or standards. |
| Qualifications: | * A current NPCC/ACPO General purpose dog instructors qualification is essential. * Any other Dog instructing qualifications such as Drugs, victim recovery, Explosive search, or digital are desirable but CPD will be offered as part of your role as an instructor within this progressive and enthusiastic team. |
| Additional information | This is an exciting opportunity to join a dynamic and driven team delivering dog training across the Alliance but primarily within Devon and Cornwall.  **Essential experience, specialist skills and knowledge**   * Sound operational knowledge/experience of police dog work. * Previous experience of delivering effective dog training. * Capable of restraining strong police animals during lengthy pursuit/search training sessions * Experience in using all Microsoft "Office" products. * Proven experience of working in a team environment * Proven ability to work effectively with minimal supervision. * Proven experience in the selection and development of suitable dogs for police work   Experience in developing young dogs both General purpose and search dogs from puppies to adulthood for handing on to students is desirable and there may be times you will be asked to have a dog for a period of time to assist succession planning. |