



Dog A.I.D. Covid Update 20 July 2021

England

Face to face training and assessments can continue following the below guidance:

- Sessions including assessments may take place in any public place **outdoors**. Time in the home should be limited and avoided where possible. If taking place in the home, the client should ensure a window is opened and the room is ventilated both before and during the assessment.
- Both client and trainer/assessor are comfortable, willing and able to attend the session.
- Trainer/Assessor and client are no longer required by law to wear face coverings nor maintain social distancing. However it is recommended by the Westminster Government that caution is taken. Therefore whilst we cannot insist upon the wearing of face coverings nor the continued social distancing we recommend that people do continue to so. There may be clients and trainers who are not comfortable without the continued wearing of face coverings and social distancing and in these situations we ask that this is respected and the persons wishes followed. For assessments, assessors will have covid-19 guidance notes on their pre-printed assessment forms to help with this.
- All sessions and assessments need to be pre-planned and those attending must not have been advised to self-isolate or be showing any covid-19 symptoms when attending.

Wales

Face to face training and assessments can continue following the below guidance:

- Sessions including assessments may take place with up to 6 people attending, in any public place **outdoors**. Time in the home should be limited and avoided where possible. If taking place in the home, the client should ensure a window is opened and the room is ventilated both before and during the assessment.
- Both client and trainer/assessor are comfortable, willing and able to attend the session.
- Trainer/Assessor and client should wear face coverings (unless exempt) and maintain social distancing throughout the session. For assessments, assessors will have covid-19 guidance notes on their pre-printed assessment forms to help with this.
- All sessions and assessments need to be pre-planned and those attending must not have been advised to self-isolate or be showing any covid-19 symptoms when attending.



Scotland

Face to face training and assessments can continue following the below guidance:

- Sessions including assessments may take place with up to 6 people attending, in any public place **outdoors**. Time in the home should be limited and avoided where possible. If taking place in the home, the client should ensure a window is opened and the room is ventilated both before and during the assessment.
- Both client and trainer/assessor are comfortable, willing and able to attend the session.
- Trainer/Assessor and client are no longer required by law to wear face coverings. However it is recommended by the Scottish Government that caution is taken. Therefore whilst we cannot insist upon the wearing of face coverings we recommend that people do continue to so. There may be clients and trainers who are not comfortable without the continued wearing of face coverings and in these situations we ask that this is respected and the persons wishes followed. Social distancing is still required. For assessments, assessors will have covid-19 guidance notes on their pre-printed assessment forms to help with this.
- All sessions and assessments need to be pre-planned and those attending must not have been advised to self-isolate or be showing any covid-19 symptoms when attending.

Northern Ireland

Face to face training and assessments can continue with the below guidance being followed:

- Sessions including assessments may take place with up to 6 people attending, in any public place **outdoors**. Time in the home should be limited and avoided where possible. If taking place in the home, the client should ensure a window is opened and the room is ventilated both before and during the assessment.
- Both client and trainer/assessor are comfortable, willing and able to attend the session.
- Trainer/Assessor and client are no longer required by law to wear face coverings nor maintain social distancing. However it is recommended by the Westminster Government that caution is taken. Therefore whilst we cannot insist upon the wearing of face coverings nor the continued social distancing we recommend that people do continue to so. There may be clients and trainers who are not comfortable without the continued wearing of face coverings and social distancing and in these situations we ask that this is respected and the persons wishes followed. For assessments, assessors will



- have covid-19 guidance notes on their pre-printed assessment forms to help with this.
- All sessions and assessments need to be pre-planned and those attending must not have been advised to self-isolate or be showing any covid-19 symptoms when attending.

We recommend you familiarise yourself with the guidance of your country of residence and work as there are varying requirements in terms of being out and about in the community eg shops and on public transport whereby you will be required to wear face coverings and/or socially distance. This information can be found by searching on the internet.

If you have any questions please contact admin@dogaid.org.uk and we will do our best to respond as soon as possible.

This information supersedes any previous Covid-19 guidance from the Dog A.I.D. office for clients, trainers and assessors and is accurate on date of publish: 20 July 2021. Dog A.I.D. will continue to monitor and review the situation and will provide updates when required.

End of Statement