

# Dog A.I.D. Lockdown Update 1st Feb 2021

At the present time the Dog A.I.D. office and shop remains closed and staff continue to work from home. Day to day enquiries will be picked up by our Admin Officer, Laura who works Monday, Tuesday and Friday. She can be contacted on 07749725140. Calls to the office land line will also divert to this number. Outside of these hours please email admin@dogaid.org.uk for assistance. We aim to reply to all emails within 2 working days.

## **England**

All face to face training and assessments in England remain on hold until further notice.

Trainers and clients should continue to work remotely using software such as Zoom or via phone call and email.

Any clients who have not been contacted by their trainer should inform the office on their monthly report, or the details above.

#### **Wales**

All of Wales is in lockdown (alert level 4). Please follow the guidance above for England.

#### Scotland

Mainland Scotland is under "Stay at Home" restrictions. Face to face training and assessments in mainland Scotland cannot resume, and clients should follow the guidance outlined above.

#### Northern Ireland

Guidance in Northern Ireland is that people should stay at home and not travel more than 10 miles from their home for a small list of permitted reasons.

Dog A.I.D. has been made aware that dog training has been given permission to continue in Northern Ireland at this time. However due to the vulnerable status of many of our clients, at this time the Board of Trustees do not feel it suitable to allow face to face training and assessments to resume. This will be reviewed again when the government guidance changes.

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: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021.

Dog A.I.D. will continue to monitor and review the situation and will provide updates when required.

### **End of Statement**