

# Animal Related Courses

## Patrol Dog Handler Course No: 435/007

Aim of Course	Outline of Syllabus	Remarks
<p>To provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to become an operational Patrol Dog Handler.</p>	<p>On completion of the course the dog handler will be capable of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintaining the dog, kennel, the kennel area and kennel equipment in a clean, healthy and tidy condition</li> <li>• Carrying out obedience with a trained dog both leashed and unleashed</li> <li>• Recognising the basic signs of health, detect signs of sickness and report any abnormalities</li> <li>• Patrolling continuously for at least 3 hours in all weather conditions with the dog at heel</li> <li>• Interpreting the dog's behaviour and "reading" its silent indication of the presence of an intruder at a minimum distance of 300 metres in good weather and 50 metres in bad weather</li> <li>• Demonstrating the correct challenge, release and arrest procedures for apprehending an intruder with the aid of the dog</li> <li>• Controlling the dog whilst carrying out the search and escort of an intruder</li> <li>• Conducting all forms of continuation training to maintain his dog at a high level of operational efficiency.</li> </ul>	<p>The Defence Animal Centre can sometimes provide trained dogs. Please refer any queries on this to IDT(A).</p>

Rank Range	Entry Standards	Duration	Qualifications gained	Frequency
<p>The course is open to Private soldiers and all non-commissioned ranks</p>	<p>IELTS level 6. A reasonable level of physical fitness.</p>	<p>24 weeks</p>		<p>12 courses per year</p>

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