



# Conservation Dog Handler – Stoat (Skills Card)

## At a glance...

### Assessed Customised Provision

Recognised by: Lantra Awards

Prerequisites:

## Introduction

The course is designed to accredit a novice or experienced handler in the field of conservation detection dog handling (Stoat).

## Overview in brief

***This Lantra-accredited Customised Award is exclusively developed and delivered by a Lantra-approved Training Provider, who meets our quality standards. The course is specifically tailored to meet learners' needs. For further details about the course content and delivery locations, please contact the Training Provider using the details provided below.***

The minimum age to undertake this course is 16.

The course will cover all aspects of handling, maintenance and training, enabling the student to maintain, operate and advise on the capabilities of their Stoat Detection Dog.

Novice handlers will complete the full course, experienced handlers that can demonstrate prior knowledge and dog handling skills, need only attend the module.

## The finer details

The course will focus on the latest detection dog training methodologies using science-based techniques including learning theory.

Maintaining the dog at the required level incorporating nutrition, fitness, health and first aid.



The student using a trained detection dog, or their own (this will need to be assessed for suitability) will learn how to operate a detection dog carry out representative tasks looking for Stoats.



Course numbers are limited in order for the student to gain as much practical experience as possible with qualified instructors in the field.

Course assessments are externally assessed to provide credibility to the course and the students taking part.

Learners will receive a certificate of competence which will be valid for 2 years, after which they will be required to undertake a refresher course to maintain their skills.

### Who should attend?

Anyone who has a love of the environment, becoming a dog handler or just experiencing life as a detection dog handler.

### What will be covered?

Basic Animal Care & Maintenance

Health & Safety

Preparing a Detection Dog to tasks/ Operations (Stoats)

Conducting Detection Dog Tasks (areas specific to Stoats)

Conduct Canine First Aid

Conduct Continuation Training

Supporting other agencies involved in Conservation.

### Other areas of interest

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