Animal Care Diploma



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Adult

Learn the basic skills to start your career working with animals on our Level 1 Animal Care course. If your GCSEs were not what you expected, this course is an ideal starting point in order to progress onto Level 2.

You will learn the basic skills and knowledge associated with animal care working with a wide range of animals including: feeding, cleaning and exercising and general care. Our campuses are also home to a large variety of animals which include bearded dragons, snakes, pigs, tortoises, rats, rabbits, donkeys, poultry and cattle.

Caring for animals can be an extremely fulfilling and rewarding career. From working in kennels and catteries to pet shops, rescue centres or sanctuaries, there is a wide range of careers available on successful completion of your course. With access to animal collections on campus you will gain the practical training you need to pursue a career in this exciting industry.



Scan the QR Code for full course description, assessment and progression options from this course



Entry requirements for external applicants and school leavers

- Two or more GCSEs at Grade 2 or above, or successful completion of an Entry Level qualification.
- Learners with relevant industry experience but no GCSEs at Grade 2 may be considered based on interview. For some courses this may include GCSE English or maths grade 2 or equivalent.

Entry requirements for existing learners with the Cornwall
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• Successful completion of previous course and, where relevant, meet the English and/or maths requirements of the Level 1 course.

Please note: Some of our courses may have extra entry requirements or need a bit more information, like evidence or experience. Don't worry - we'll guide you through everything when you apply!









Find out more and apply online



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LOCATION & NEXT START DATE(S)

Bicton College - 7 September 2026





LEVEL	DURATION
Level 1	1 Year
ATTENDANCE Full-time	FEES Tuition Fees: £1709.00 FREE for school leavers*

Fees apply to adults and HE students only. Only the most common fees scenario is shown. Actual fees may vary depending on your personal situation. Please contact us for further information. Courses listed on this website are indicative of the subject, nature and level of study. The College reserves the right to alter specific qualifications titles, awarding bodies and levels of qualification, which can change in year. Any cost may also vary, based on personal funding eligibility. The Cornwall College Group reserves the right to withdraw any course listed at any time.



Join us for a campus tour, meet our dedicated team, and get all your questions answered. Scan the QR code to register for our next Open Event or Taster Day.











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