

Certified Guide Dog Mobility Instructor – Delta BC

Background:

British Columbia Guide Dog Services, also known as BC & Alberta Guide Dogs, is a registered charity that provides professionally trained Guide Dogs to blind and visually impaired individuals who reside in the provinces of British Columbia and Alberta.

BC & Alberta Guide Dogs is seeking a <u>Certified</u> Guide Dog Mobility Instructor (GDMI) to fill a permanent, full-time position, based in our Delta, BC office.

Position Summary:

The successful applicant **must possess** the following:

- GDMI qualification/certificate from a member agency of the International Guide Dog Federation.
- Hold a valid driver's license.
- Strong English language skills

In addition, it is desirable that the candidate can demonstrate:

- Strong organizational skills.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Ability to work as part of a team and independently on class.
- Enjoy travel, as we do domiciliary class training in BC and Alberta.

Key Job Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Guide Dog Training:

Within specific timescales, assess and professionally train dogs in accordance with BC & Alberta Guide Dogs standards.

2. Client Assessment and Interviewing:

Regularly select Guide Dog clients by interviewing and assessing applicants, deciding their suitability and accurately identifying specific matching needs for successful outcomes.

3. Matching:

Within specific timescales, match the most compatible client and dog, ensuring that client needs and BC & Alberta Guide Dog standards are met.





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4. Guide Dog Team Training:

Within specific timescales, plan, organize and deliver practical and theoretical training to clients to meet their individual needs and BC & Alberta Guide Dogs standards, in accordance with quality and production targets. We pride ourselves in producing a well-finished team supported by highly personalized training.

5. Aftercare/Support Services:

Regularly provide clients with aftercare and other services in accordance with BC & Alberta Guide Dogs standards and in the client's own environment. This is done on a routine basis and, as a priority, in response to emergency situations.

6. Apprentice/Training Assistants Supervision and Training:

GDMI's are expected to take an active role in the training of Apprentices/Training Assistants. Within specific timescales, plan and deliver practical and theoretical training to meet their individual needs and BC & Alberta Guide Dogs standards. This involves managing workloads and assessing work performance and conduct.

7. Communication/Administration:

Maintain accurate records by providing verbal and written/electronic information about clients, dogs and Apprentices/Training Assistants in a timely way.

Job Location: The employee/job will be based at 7061 Ladner Trunk Road, Delta, BC. Instructors perform class and aftercare at locations throughout BC, Alberta.

Compensation: The salary range is \$69,000 to \$90,000 based on experience. Medical, dental, and life insurance benefits are paid by the Employer. The position starts with 20 vacation days per year. Financial assistance will be provided for a move to BC.

To apply please send your resumé to:

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All applicants, regardless of outcome, shall be treated with the utmost of confidentiality.

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