

Veterinary Consent Form



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Owner's Name: Home Address:	
Home Address:	
Postcode:	
Mobile telephone number:	
Landline telephone number:	
Email address:	

Dog's Details

Name	Breed	Gender
D.O.B	Colour	Neutered?

I declare I am the legal owner of the above named dog and that all information presented is correct to the best of my knowledge. I request consent for my dog to be treated by Sara Alan-Smith who is a member of the professional association the Canine Massage Guild. I understand that the consenting vet or surgery shall not be held responsible, nor liable for any aspect of the Clinical Canine Massage provided by the above named therapist.

I accept full responsibility for divulging facts that may be relevant during treatment, particularly regarding any changes in my animal's health.

Owner signature:	Print name:	Date:

YOUR VET MUST COMPLETE THIS AREA BELOW ALONG WITH A SIGNATURE			
Details of condition/s for which treatment is being sought + any special instructions / areas of caution			
	y relevant to the condition/s outlined above		
Is the dog on medication? If yes, what:			
Veterinary Surgeon name	Practice Address or Practice Stamp		
vetermary Surgeon name			
Email address to which treatment reports should be sent	Practice Telephone number		
I find no reason at this time why the above named dog cannot receive Clinical Canine Massage Therapy.			
Signature of Veterinarian Print	Name Date		

I, Sara Alan-Smith acknowledge and respect the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 and the Veterinary Surgery (Exemptions) Order 2015 by never working upon an animal without gaining prior veterinary consent. As stated by the RCVS, "physiotherapy" is interpreted as including all kinds of manipulative therapy (Section 19.21)

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- I, , Sara Alan-Smith, am a member of the Canine Massage Guild, having completed the 2 year Clinical Canine Massage Practitioner Programme externally accredited by LANTRA* via the Canine Massage Therapy Centre in 2015 (* known formerly at that time as the Therapeutic Canine Massage Diploma accredited by Ascentis)
- My professional membership, training and credentials may be checked by visiting the online Canine Massage Guild professional therapist register http://www.k9-massageguild.co.uk/sara-alan-smith/ More information about me, including the further hands-on practitioner skills training which I have undertaken over the past nine years since completing the Diploma, can be found on my own website https://www.completecaninemassage.co.uk/about
- The Canine Massage Guild began participating in the world's first clinical trials assessing the 'Effect of massage therapy on pain and quality of life in dogs' in 2018 with Winchester University and Sparsholt University Centre. The results of this study, published in Vet Record on 13 June 2021, showed "significant decrease in pain severity following canine massage therapy", with 95% of dogs responding positively to the treatment. The full research publication in Vet Record can be accessed here https://bvajournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/vetr.586?fbclid=lwAR0WuRulEPDHSTcd-3s1LoDYSL_Gc3uipHCMkoQQ30LK0Ws8N59DYiwl10
- Each year I commit to undertaking a minimum of 25 hours CPD as part of the Canine Massage Guild's strong codes of ethics and conduct.
- I hold my own professional indemnity and public liability insurance which is audited annually by the Canine Massage Guild.
- I always abide by the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 and Veterinary Surgery (Exemptions) Order 2015, by never working on an animal without gaining prior veterinary consent. As stated by the RCVS, "Physiotherapy' is interpreted as including all kinds of manipulative therapy" (Section 19.21), thus including massage therapy. Manipulation under massage therapy is limited to (or refers to) soft tissues and assessing a joint's range of motion using passive movements. I do not manipulate joints like a chiropractor.
- I specialise in the use of Remedial Sports Massage, Deep Tissue Massage, Swedish Massage and Myofascial Release, utilising the Lenton Method[®] of advanced palpation, body mapping and application of massage therapy, including myofascial release techniques unique to the Lenton Method[®]. More details can be found on the Canine Massage Guild website <u>http://www.k9-massageguild.co.uk/</u>
- I ensure continuity of client care by providing a written report back to you / your surgery upon completion of a client's initial massage sessions.

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- I comply with GDPR Compliance 2018 and the Data Protection Act 1998.
- Clinical Canine Massage Therapy is suitable for soft tissue injury rehabilitation, and for the chronic pain management of orthopaedic conditions, as well as pre and post-operative care. It is commonly used amongst sporting, performance and agility competitors too. If you would like an Integrated Veterinary Care Initiative educational pack on Clinical Canine Massage for your surgery, please contact me and I will be more than happy to post one to you for your perusal.
- Canine Massage Guild therapists are approved complementary therapy providers officially recognised by insurance companies Petplan, LV=, Pets at Home and Animalcare Options. Cover may also be given by other insurance providers, depending on individual client policies.
- If you have any questions / would like to discuss anything further, I welcome your phone call on 07833 662417 or email to sara@completecaninemassage.co.uk