



INTRODUCTION

G4S Canine

G4S canines provide a highly reliable, cost-effective method to screen people, vehicles or locations at scale, without causing delays.

Whether it's ensuring your workforce is fit to do their job, protecting you as an employer, or restricting the flow of drugs through an entry point, canines can help.

The visual nature of the canine service provides a strong deterrent which, when used on a repeat basis, is proven to reduce the use or flow of drugs.

Effective drug detection dog handlers require specialist training on a regular basis to stay up to date with new substances that are being distributed. By employing our own handlers we are directly responsible for their training and accreditation and can ensure they are kept abreast of the latest developments. This provides further peace of mind for our customers as well as protecting you against IR35 tax implications.

What is a drug detection dog?

A drug detection dog is trained to detect illegal substances at a location, on a person or vehicle.

A canine's sense of smell is between 10,000 to 100,000 times more acute than a human's. This makes them uniquely skilled for this type of role.

Canines have even been known to identify when an individual has taken recreational narcotics which are still present in their system but are not physically traceable. This is detected through scent omitted from pores and sweat glands as well as residual particles on hands or clothing.

Once a canine has identified an illegal substance on a person, area or vehicle, they can be discreetly and professionally searched for confirmation.



TRAINING

"Every search has **confirmed** a **positive** detection"

How we train our canines

Each G4S Detection dog handler is directly employed by G4S. They are SIA licensed and vetted and assessed by our inhouse team. Our canines are trained to the highest National Association of Specialist Dog Users (NASDU) requirements and are sensitively and thoroughly cared for - often at our prestigious facility on the Luton Hoo estate in Bedfordshire.

All our canines and handlers must complete 150 hours training and pass a physical test to become operational. Handlers are also required to pass a written test. In addition, each handler and canine is tested every month to stay up to date with new drugs entering the market, as well as measuring consistent accuracy.

Our drug detection dogs are trained using real drugs in a simulated environment. This ensures accuracy and maximum performance when similar scents are detected in real-life situations.

G4S will assess the environment that the canine and handler will be working in and where appropriate provide additional training to meet the requirements of that sector.

For example, Client X is a large construction site, operating in accordance with strict health and safety regulations. To upskill our canine and handlers they completed the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) to ensure they were adequately prepared before being deployed.





Where can drug detection dogs add value?

Drug detection dogs can accurately check large volumes of people, spaces or vehicles through a certain point without causing a delay in situations including:

- The passive screening of people entering a location such as ports, festivals, events and construction sites
- Searching a building or location for drugs such as corporate offices, construction sites with strict health and safety measures etc
- Screening vehicles and cargo through a checkpoint such as Aviation,
 Maritime and online delivery company hubs
- Searching visitors and areas within UK prisons

What makes G4S different?

- We directly employ all our drug detection dog handlers to guarantee compliance
- All our canines and handlers undergo regular testing to ensure the highest standards
- We train using real substances to provide accurate results
- We have the largest canine service in the UK and can deploy our service nationally and be onsite within 48 hours
- All our dog handlers are first aid trained
- We are the only HMP and Home Office approved civilian canine provider based on our vigorous training and accreditations
- We have a wide range of security services including Manned Guarding, Security Systems, Fire Detection and Risk Services to complement our canine offering

Accreditations

G4S meets all the accreditations: NASDU, HABC & British Standards, RSPCA welfare guidelines.

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CANINE WELFARE

Canine welfare

Our canines are professionally trained, well respected and sensitively cared for as part of the G4S canine family.

Compliant Vehicles

- All G4S employees have BS8517 compliant vehicles.
- Meet the Animal Welfare Act 2006.
- All vehicles are temperature controlled.
- Contain canine and human First Aid kits.
- Undergo monthly audit and inspection.
- Meet British Standard and contain crash tested cages.

Canine Training facilities

- 1,200 acres of mixed terrain on one site
- 57 differing internal areas to prepare the canines for a variety of situations
- Academic classroom
- Vehicle search compound
- 24hr onsite vet services
- BS8517/Animal Welfare Act 2006 compliant kennels
- 24hr CCTV kennel monitoring
- CCTV monitored and recorded odour ID facility
- Full time canine management team





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