PET SITTER

Job Description:

**Pet Sitters** care for pets when owners are unavailable to do so. They feed, train, walk, and play with pets. They may work privately, through a vendor service, a store, or a pet hotel. Specific job duties vary, depending on the employer or owner. In this role, you may exercise pets, clean their living areas, provide obedience training, or interact with customers to demonstrate pet care techniques. Some pet sitters work nights, weekends, or holidays because many pets need round-the-clock care.

Job Responsibilities:

* Accommodating special requests that pet owners may have.
* Identifying health issues in pets, such as ear infections, skin conditions, or tooth decay, and informing pet owners of these observations.
* Ensuring that all pets are safe during the grooming process.
* Routinely cleaning work areas.
* Recommending suitable products to pet owners.
* Ability to manage pet’s behavior
* Treat all pet’s humanely
* Performs a hands on pet assessment on all pets to recommend services and build trust with the pet parents
* Perform pet grooming services to breed standards and to client’s personal preferences
* Maintain a high level of cleanliness, sanitation, and humane conditions for all pets in the grooming area.
* Ensure the safety and well-being of every pet and associate in the store, taking immediate action whenever necessary
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* Ability to manage pet’s behavior
* Treat all pet’s humanely
* Feed pets to owners instructions and standards
* Ensure pets always have clean fresh filled water bowls
* Keep pet’s area clean of urine and stool
* Provide pet bedding as instructed by owner
* Monitor for signs of stress in pet and act accordingly
* Provide scheduled walks, training, and play time for pets

Job Qualifications:

* High school diploma
* Certification through the National Pet Groomer Association of America required
* Certification through the Certification Council for Professional Pet Trainers required
* Unencumbered state license may be required
* Experience working with pets
* Experience as a pet sitter

Opportunities as a pet sitter are available for applicants without experience in which more than one pet sitter is needed in an area such that an experienced pet sitter will be present to mentor.

Job Skills Required:

* Love for pets
* Working understanding of pet behavior
* Ability to wash, cut, and groom pet hair
* Ability to provide pet services such as teeth brushing, nail clipping, etc
* Ability to multi-task and prioritize work
* Attention to detail and problem solving skills
* Resourcefulness and ability to problem solve
* Outstanding communication and interpersonal skills
* Ability to not take customer issues personally
* Good listening skills
* Sound understanding of pet behavior.
* The ability to stand for long periods of time.
* The ability to treat all pets with compassion.
* The ability to lift heavy pets and equipment.
* Excellent communication skills.
* Exceptional customer service skills.