**Code of Practice for IABTC Instructors and Behaviour Advisors**

**To remain on our IABTC Approved Instructor list, members must….**

* Promote a professional image, act with integrity and set a good example at all times.
* Operate classes and consultations in a motivational way for both dog and handler
* Acknowledge and promote the use of reward, motivational or natural behaviour-based methods of training and behaviour modification.
* Refrain from giving advice and acting in a way that could knowingly cause harm, psychological and/or physical distress, damage, or injury to any person or dog.
* Advocate the use of flat buckled or side release collars and or non-restrictive harness.
* Refrain from using, selling or promoting check/choke chains, slip collars, electric shock, or high-frequency sound or buzzing devices which apply an aversive stimulus. This includes spray collars of any kind, whether remote-controlled, automatic, citronella, water-based or similar.
* Take every reasonable care to control activities which may cause injury or aggression to or by a dog.
* Take every reasonable care to control sessions and the environment to prevent accidents.
* Respect confidentiality, personal rights and expectations of all.
* Ensure adequate provision and awareness of actions with regard to legality, health and safety (including suitable insurance).
* Refer to veterinary or other professionals where appropriate or when in doubt
* Not offer services that you are not qualified, trained or sufficiently competent to provide.
* Not enter deals or activities that may bring your character, reputation, class or IABTC into disrepute.
* Charge a fair price for the services offered and do not exploit or mislead the client.
* Undergo regular (at least 30 hours annually) CPD including developments within the industry and supply evidence.
* Abide by the UK Kennel Club, KCAI and ABTC code of ethics/practice.

 I agree to abide by the IABTC code of conduct as identified above

Signature Name Date

Address

Email Phone number

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