



# BC & ALBERTA GUIDE DOGS

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A Division of BC Guide Dogs

## Qualified 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 qualified 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 & Compensation:** The employee/job will be based at 7061 Ladner Trunk Road, Delta, BC, but Instructors will be required to work at and engage in short-term travel to work locations throughout BC, Alberta other regions in Canada, and also internationally as part of the job requirements. The salary range is \$68,000 to \$81,000 based on experience. Medical, dental, and life insurance benefits are paid by the Employer.

**How to Apply:**

Please contact Bill Thornton via email at: [william.thornton@bcguidedog.com](mailto:william.thornton@bcguidedog.com)

*All interested parties, regardless of outcome, shall be treated with the utmost of confidentiality.*