

Level 2 Award in Small Animal Health and Husbandry

The iPET Network Level 2 Award in Small Animal Health and Husbandry is a purely theory-based qualification aimed at individuals wishing to work with or own small animals who have little or no previous experience of working with these species. The qualification addresses the three common small pet species: rabbits, guinea pigs and hamsters, so would be ideal for those working or wanting to work within the pet retail industry. It takes a broad view of all aspects of caring for these three species from accommodation, exercise and nutrition requirements, to the basics of recognising signs of health and ill-health and understanding key preventative health measures in these species.

Candidates who complete this qualification will be able to:

- Explain the importance of maintaining welfare of small animals
- Identify common diseases and disorders found in small animals
- ▶Identify key legislation surrounding keeping small animals as pets
- Describe the methods surrounding maintaining small animal accommodation
- ▶ Explain the nutritional requirements of small animal species
- ▶Identify a variety of breeds and their classifications
- ▶ Recognise techniques used for handling and restraint of small animals

The course will run over 2 days. There will be additional study to be completed at home. Assessment will be the completion of 2 workbooks. More information can be found here:

https://www.ipetnetwork.co.uk/ipet-network-canine-and-feline-qualifications/ipet-network-level-2-award-in-small-animal-health-and-husbandry/

Contact Kate@companionanimalcare.co.uk for dates, venues and costs, or to express an interest.