



Tellington TTouch for Companion Animals

If you are looking for a more gentle and effective way to work with dogs, Tellington-TTouch may be the answer for you. The Tellington TTouch Method is a unique approach to animal training and care developed by internationally known trainer, teacher, and author, Linda Tellington-Jones. Based on understanding and respect for our animal friends, this gentle method promotes well-being and adaptive behaviour through an integrated approach that helps to reduce stress and build confidence.

TTouch involves the use of techniques that will mutually enhance the relationship between people and animals, improve an animal's health and encourage a better response to training.

This Certification program is designed for people who work or want to work professionally with animals on a full or part-time basis. It is especially useful for vet students, veterinarians, trainers for family and working dogs and people, who work in shelters and rescue organizations. If somebody is interested in the main topic of a special seminar, it is also possible to join only that seminar. There are hundreds of professional TTouch Practitioners all over the world. This is the first program in Portugal.

The certification program to become a Tellington-TTouch Practitioner takes on an average of two-three years and requires a considerable investment of time and effort.

During the TTouch professional training and certification program, you will:

- Experience ways of working with dogs that are unique and rewarding and can change your life. Gain hands-on experience working with dogs with a variety of behaviour issues and support well-being in animals with health issues.
- Acquire valuable skills to enhance training and performance and reduce stress in dogs who work in service, show, obedience, agility, search and rescue, schutzhund and trials.
- Work with shelter animals to help them adapt more easily to new environments.
- Help calm animals for transport or in the vet clinic
- Learn how to shorten recovery time after an accident or disease.
- Understand how TTouch inspires understanding and compassion for all life.

Training Sessions One and two:

In the first two classes you will learn the Tellington-TTouch philosophy and techniques. You will have lots of hands-on practice of the techniques. You will learn how to use different Tellington-TTouch tools, like the body wraps. You will learn how to use ground exercises, obstacles and “the playground of higher learning” to increase the dog’s focus, balance and ability to learn.

Training Sessions three to five:

These classes focus on one main topic and the use of the Tellington-TTouch regarding this topic. Training 3 will focus the use of Tellington-TTouch in dogs with health issues. Training 4 will focus on the body language of dogs and behavioural problems and how to change these problems with Tellington-TTouch. In training 4 the participants the focus will be on combining Tellington-TTouch with other positive training techniques, especially Clicker training to make the training even more effective. Training 5 will focus on the “other end of the leash”, the human part. TTouch-for-you-exercises are used to increase body awareness, coordination and balance of the participants. Leading exercises between humans will help to work on the small details that make a big difference if we work with dogs, as they are so good in reading body language.

To enhance your education in this program, you will be asked to work with animals between trainings and write case studies of your work.

After the first five 3-day trainings the program changes to 6-day-trainings.

Upon successful completion of your five short (3 days) and one long (6 days) trainings, completion of the requirements and approval of your case studies, you will have earned your certificate as a practitioner-in-training. You are then qualified to:

- Charge for work with individual animals according to the agreement signed on entry into the program.
- Give short presentations, up to one hour, introducing TTouch to clubs and organizations at no charge.
- Use the official TTouch logo on your business cards, letterhead and advertisements according to the terms of the agreement.
- Receive the password to protected practitioner page on our TTouch website.
- Be given a one-year membership to the TTouch Guild and listed on our website.
- Receive the free subscription to the Practitioner newsletter, Stay In TTouch for one year.

Training Sessions six and seven

The last two trainings build on the skills and tools you have learned. As you continue working with your classmates, teachers and the animals, you will incorporate new skills and deepen your understanding of the techniques and philosophy. You will also be working with clients and their animals during the trainings so that you can hone your ability to work with individual animals and satisfy the needs of their owners. You will acquire information on how to market yourself and your TTouch skills.

You will be required to continue private sessions with companion animals and prepare case studies. At the end of training seven you have to pass an final exam. Upon successful

completion of the course work, you will receive a Tellington TTouch Training Certificate as a Practitioner-1.

You are then qualified to:

- Work privately with animals according to the agreement signed on entry into the program
- Give one-day hands-on workshops
- Give a series of hands-on trainings to groups, i.e. one session per week, afternoon or evening, for 6-8 weeks

On-going Training And The Practitioner Guild

Advanced Trainings are held once a year to keep Practitioners current in the latest techniques and developments. In order to advance to the higher levels of Practitioner (levels 2 and 3), graduates must assist at a number of week-long trainings and workshops. Details will be available on graduation from the program.

When you have achieved the status of Practitioner, level 1, you have the option of applying for full membership of the Guild. The Guild maintains a directory of Practitioners all over the world. When people ask the TTouch Training office for a Practitioner near them, referrals are made from the Guild list.

Teachers

You will be taught by Dr. Daniela Zurr and Lisa Leicht. As required other teachers may be integrated in the program, too.

Tuition For the Program

ATTENTION: As this is a first time program in Portugal, this prize is a special offer. Next trainings will be likely more expensive.

PAYMENT PER MODULE:

MODULE 1 (3 DAYS) - 255€

MODULE 2 (3 DAYS) - 255€

(COMBINED MODULE 1 + 2 DONE TOGETHER IN DECEMBER 2015 - 460€)

MODULES 3, 4 AND 5 (3 DAYS/EACH) - 300€/EACH

MODULES 6,7 AND 8 (6 DAYS/EACH) - 500€/EACH

MONTHLY PAYMENT OPTION: 100€/mont, with a registration fee of 400€ paid together with the first monthly payment

2 YEARS COURSE, PAID IN TOTAL: 2600€

Cancellation policy

Per module

- reimburse of 90% one month before the module
- reimburse of 50% between one month and 15 days before the module
- no reimburse when cancelation is done 15 days or less before the module

Per month

- no reimburse
- student must pay until the day 10 of each month

Total

- reimburse of 90% (10% is kept for administrative costs) of the remaining modules if cancelation is done one month before the next module

- reimburse of 50% of the value of next module and 90% of the remaining modules if cancelation is done 15 days before the next module
- no reimburse of the value of next module and 90% of the remaining modules if cancelation is done 15 days or less before the next module