

Why find a 'Registered' Vet Physio?

A **registered veterinary physiotherapist** is a **qualified professional** who has met specific educational, ethical and practical standards set by a recognised regulatory body. They are qualified to **assess** and **treat** animals using physiotherapy techniques to support **recovery from injury**, **manage pain** of chronic conditions, **improve mobility** and **enhance performance** and general wellbeing.

To be registered we MUST:

- Hold recognised **qualification** in animal physiotherapy
- Practice **safely and ethically**
- Work under **veterinary referral**, as require by UK law
- Maintain **professional insurance**
- Keep knowledge up to date through ongoing **training and professional development (CPD)**
- Follow a **code of conduct** and ethical standards

Why its important to choose a Registered Professional?

- **Animal welfare and safety** – registered physiotherapists are trained to assess and treat animal appropriately, reducing the risk of harm or misdiagnosis. They understand when to refer back to a vet or when physiotherapy might not be suitable.
- **Legal compliance** – in the UK, physiotherapy on animals must be carried out with veterinary consent, as stated in the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966. Registered physios follow this law and work alongside vets to ensure safe, coordinated care.
- **Professional standards** – registration means the therapist must follow a strict code of conduct and ethical guidelines, offering professionalism, confidentiality and respect for both the animal and the owner.
- **Accountability** – if something goes wrong or you have concerns, registered practitioners are answerable to their regulatory body. This offers peace of mind and a clear route for complaints if needed.
- **Evidence based treatment** – registered vet physios stay up to date with the latest research and best practices. This means your animal receives the most effective, science backed care.

Working with a registered veterinary physiotherapist mean putting your animlas health in trusted, qualified hands. It's a crucial step in ensuring safe, ethical and high-quality treatment.