



## CAPBT Poland

### COAPE Association of Pet Behaviourists and Trainers - POLAND

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## What is COAPE Association of Pet Behaviourists and Trainers?

The **CABPT** (COAPE Association of Pet Behaviourists and Trainers) was formed in 2005 by COAPE in response to demand from veterinary surgeons and pet owners alike for a professional body to represent qualified, assessed referral behaviourists. CABP is now a large international association of experienced and qualified pet behaviour practitioners available to treat behaviour problems in dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, horses and other pets on referral from veterinary surgeons.

**COAPE** was founded in 1993 and has always been at the forefront in offering 'education for all' in the fascinating field of companion animal behaviour and behaviour therapy. COAPE provides a wide range of education courses in the field of animal behaviour and training, including its internationally respected Diploma, which has attracted hundreds of students from all over the world.

## How can CABPT members help?

CABP members are pleased to offer all veterinary surgeons a professional referral service to help assess and treat emotional and behavioural problems in pets.

CABP members are holders of the COAPE Diploma (DipCABT) and many hold other relevant degree and postgraduate qualifications in veterinary medicine, ethology, biology, psychology, etc.

In order to gain **Practitioner** status, members are rigorously assessed by COAPE before becoming eligible to practice as members of the COAPE Association of Behaviour Practitioners. This ensures that CABPs can offer the highest professional standards of practice and modern approaches to the treatment of behaviour problems in dogs, cats and other pets.

CABP members keep up to date with the study and practice of pet behaviour therapy via regular continuing professional development (CPD) activities and courses. The Association also provides ongoing support, education and resources to its members. The Association website allows members to discuss cases and assist each other around the world. CABP members maintain full practice and adhere strictly to the COAPE Code of Practice. For details, please visit [www.coape.org](http://www.coape.org), or contact the COAPE office at the address overleaf.

***Please contact your local CABPT member at the address overleaf.***

## COAPE philosophy towards behaviour problems in pets

A cornerstone of COAPE's philosophy and approach towards behaviour problems in pets is that cases are only seen by CABP members on referral by veterinary surgeons; this is so that any clinical influences may be diagnosed and treated first. Behaviour cases then referred usually concern clinically healthy animals.

**Behaviour problems** are approached in a sensitive and individual manner, rather than on the basis that a behaviour problem is some form of 'disease' requiring a 'diagnosis', as this invariably leads to a standardised and less effective approach to treatment.

Using the EMRA approach pioneered by COAPE, companion animals with behaviour problems are instead treated by first assessing their emotional state at the time of the problem behaviour and also their general mood state at other times.

Working closely with the owners, treatment is first targeted at unravelling the reinforcing factors which maintain the problem behaviour. A practical therapy plan is then applied to help the pet learn new and desirable behaviour which the owners are taught how to reinforce and maintain for the future.

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## COAPE Diploma in Practical Aspects of Companion Animal Behaviour and Training

The COAPE Diploma is assessed and awarded by the National Open College Network ([www.nocn.org.uk](http://www.nocn.org.uk)), the UK's foremost network provider of accreditation services for adult learning. All NOCN accredited COAPE courses are at Award, Certificate or Diploma level and the COAPE Diploma is rated at 13+ credits. This is the highest level offered by the NOCN and provides an ideal academic and practical entry to the subject of pet behaviour therapy.



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Ayuda y asesoramiento para propietarios de animales domésticos en relación con:

- \* Identificar las causas y el tratamiento de la conducta no deseada de perros i gatos.
- \* Socialización adecuada y educación de perros y gatos.
- \* La formación individual.
- \* Ayuda en la selección de mascotas para las adopciones de los refugios.
- \* Ofrezer y opinar en conductas de perros y gatos en diferentes situaciones.
- \* La atención y el cuidado en todo momento.