



## AFFA PLEDGE

As an approved member of the Alberta Force Free Alliance, I pledge that I and my employees are educated in or will upgrade our education through the AFFA in the latest science based, force free methodology for companion animals. We will not intentionally harm or intimidate any animal in our care. This includes alpha rolling, pinning, yelling, poking, leash jerking, the use or promotion of alpha-based methodology and aversive training tools such as but not exclusively, choke chains, prong collars, shock collars or electric fences as recommended against by the [American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior](#) and neither will we promote trainers who use and adhere to alpha-based and aversive methodologies. FORCE FREE: 95% of the methods utilized with companion animals do not utilize positive punishment (anything that intentionally cause fear, harm or pain). The 5% allots for emergency situations where an animal or person could be hurt as a result and aversive techniques may be the only way to prevent harm (i.e.: a day care using an air horn or fight fence/ board to break up a dog fight).

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***If any client notices an AFFA member not adhering to the pledge, they will be reported to the AFFA. We will investigate the circumstances and determine membership status. All current and revoked members will be displayed.***