

**Canine Interview Questions**  
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- This is a pilot program. What would you think are the rewards or challenges associated with a pilot program?
- What is your animal handling experience?
- Have you had any experience in training animals?
- The optimum inspection time is during an early morning sort at UPS or FX type of businesses. This would require you to begin as at 3am an average 6-10 days a month and seasonally at 2am. Have you ever worked a job that you had to start so early? Would you be available for early morning work? What special needs or considerations might you expect because of this early start? Will this shift be agreeable with you and your family?
- If selected, you will receive extensive training for 10 weeks in Florida. When you return you will be assigned to work in neighboring Bay Area counties. Would this travel be a hardship for you and your family/roommates?
- A dog's working life may extend for 5-6 years. Are you willing to make a commitment to the program of at least 3 years if the program becomes established?
- The dog will need to be either home kenneled or commercially kenneled. Can a kennel be installed where you live (at our expense)?
- A dog handler must lift a dog on and off the conveyor belt and lift or move heavy boxes in a terminal warehouse. Would this present a problem for you?
- We are looking for very small insects in what may be a dark warehouse. What technique or equipment might you use to better read a label or find a small insect?
- A working dog requires 24/7/365 care of an animal. What concerns do you have with such a demand?
- You have reviewed the draft Canine Operations Manual? Do you have any questions based on the manual or about the department?