

# **IPTouch Policy Guidelines**

## **Protect the IPT Path**

*Updated changes will apply*

**Full IPTouch Protocols Outlined at**  
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1. IPT is not responsible for individual state regulations concerning animal massage.
2. Outside teaching of IPTouch AMCP materials and concepts is fully owned by IPTouch and may be considered illegal.
3. Performing out of scope training protocols will void all IPT certification and liability insurance policies.
4. IPT reserves the right to revoke and or suspend class participation and or certification privileges due to error or inappropriate behavior of said provider.
5. IPT is not responsible for safety or medical issues that may occur during IPT participation.
6. I understand that the information shared in no way takes the place of a veterinarian's expertise or diagnostic skills.
7. IPT AMCPs CANNOT council in nutritional or herbal concepts without veterinarian guidance and pre-patient assessment.
8. Students are responsible for their own independent animal access for continued studies.
9. I understand there is a NO REFUND policy once IPT has begun sending course supplies.
10. I understand I am responsible for notifying IPT & community clients concerning my states legal requirements for animal massage protocols.
11. Computerized instructor communication is required for continued AMCP activities
12. Following AMCP graduation I understand I must have individual liability insurance and a separate company name to begin IPT practice for profit IPTouch in the community.
13. Copying IPT materials for purposes other than self study is illegal & may facilitate a lawsuit against said party.
14. Only certified AMCPs have access to logo use.
15. I understand and accept protocols for AMCP IPT re-certification.
16. IPT's goal is 'Animal Rescue through Educational Knowledge'.
17. I am solely responsible for all of my own individual course work.

# AMCP Scope of Practice Terminology

18. **Terms pertaining to community Pet Massage:** Rescue sites, owners, groomers, pet sitters, agility, show & sporting pets, therapy pets. (Bonding and positive reinforcement mechanisms will create calm attentive pets).
19. **Massage:** rubbing of body: a treatment that involves rubbing or kneading the muscles, either for medical or therapeutic purposes or simply as an aid to relaxation.
20. **Exercise:** physical activity and movement, especially when intended to keep a person or animal fit and healthy.
21. **Handler:** somebody who trains or manages a working animal, e.g. a police dog or a show dog.
22. **Animal Keeper:** Taking care of them is hard work. Animal caretakers, sometimes called animal attendants or animal keepers, feed, water, groom, bathe, and exercise animals and clean, disinfect, and repair their cages. They also observe behavioral changes that could indicate illness or injury.
23. **Animal Trainer:** Train animals that perform work, entertain or serve as companions.
24. IPTouch does not perform Range of Motion or Stretching. **We facilitate IPT Positional Elongation with pet permission.**
25. ALL IPTouch bodywork approaches are done with animal permission, without restraint and with owner homework.
26. IPTouch does not allow nutritional or herbalistic counseling.

# NOT in the AMCP Scope of Practice

## Nevada State “Practice of veterinary medicine” defined.

27. 1. To diagnose, treat, correct, change, relieve or prevent animal disease, deformity, defect, injury or other physical or mental conditions, including, but not limited to: (a) The prescription or the administration of any drug, medicine, biologic, apparatus, application, anesthetic or other therapeutic or diagnostic substance or technique; (b) The collection of embryos; (c) Testing for pregnancy or for correcting sterility or infertility; (d) Acupuncture; (e) Dentistry; (f ) Chiropractic procedures; (g) Surgery, including cosmetic surgery; or (h) Rendering advice or recommendation with regard to any of these.
28. 2. To represent, directly or indirectly, publicly or privately, an ability and willingness to do any act described in subsection 1.
29. 3. To use any title, words, abbreviation or letters in a manner or under circumstances which induce the belief that the person using them is qualified to do any act described in subsection 1, except if the person is a veterinarian.

# Terms Pertaining to Veterinary Rehabilitation

30. **Physical Therapy:** the treatment of injuries and physical conditions by a trained person under the supervision of a specialist in physical medicine.
31. **Soft Tissue Mobilization:** Mobilization is a hands-on manual therapy designed to restore **joint movement**, power, and range of motion. The therapist gently coaxes joint motion by passive movement within or to the limit of a joint's normal range of motion.
32. **Manual Therapy:** treatment of health ailments of various etiologies through 'hands-on', physical intervention. This form of physical treatment usually refers to hands-on techniques and includes soft tissue mobilization, various connective tissue techniques, Myofascial release, craniosacral techniques, mobilization of joints, joint manipulation, mobilization of neural tissue, visceral mobilization, strain and counter strain, and Integrative Manual Therapy.
33. **ROM: Range of Motion:** facilitates joint alignment through passive motion in that joint's anatomical pattern.
34. **Stretching:** transitive and intransitive verb to lengthen, widen, or extend something, or become lengthened, widened, or extended, especially by force.
35. **Modalities:** medicine something used in the treatment of a disorder, e.g. surgery or chemotherapy. (Ultrasound, Estim ect...)