

Capital Humane Society

Puppy Kindergarten Training

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Class outline

The underlying theme for the class is “Control and Enthusiasm”; the ultimate goal is an attentive, enthusiastic dog, under complete control. The reward from training that uncontrollable dog into a devoted companion is well worth the effort it involves.

The goal in puppy kindergarten training is to produce not only a well-mannered pet, but also a reliable, enthusiastic, obedient dog with a solid foundation for all advanced training.

PLEASE BE ON TIME; our class time is limited and we need to use it efficiently.

TRAINING EQUIPMENT: A tight-link chain training collar no more than 2 to 3 inches larger than the dog’s neck. A 4 to 6 foot leather or nylon training lead. And some high value treats and/or a high value toy.

DURING CLASS: Please keep your puppies separated and their attention on you.

There will be time for socialization after class, remember, always get the owner’s permission first, before any interactions.

PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG. Set a good example, thanks.

Family members are always welcome, please supervise small children.

WEEK 1-

- 1. Introduction*
- 2. Sit, focus, and accept praise.*
- 3. Controlled walking.*
- 4. Informal come; come while walking.*

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WEEK 2-

1. *Heeling:*
Moving left turn.
Automatic sit.
2. *Sit- Stay:*
30- seconds.
3. *Random sit:*
Sit while distracted.
4. *Random recall:*
Come while distracted.

WEEK 3-

1. *Heeling:*
Moving right turn.
2. *Sit-Stay:*
Stay with trainer in motion, 60-seconds.
3. *Formal come:*
Come from sit-stay.
Introduce, front sit.
4. *Down:*
Down-15 to 30 seconds

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WEEK 4-

1. Heeling:

Heeling in a figure 8 pattern.

Change of pace.

2. Sit-Stay:

Stay with distractions, 2 minutes plus.

3. Formal come:

Come from stay with front sit.

4. Down-Stay:

Down-Stay for 60 seconds plus, with distractions.

5. Problem solving and wrap-up.