

CITY OF LACEY
BEGINNING DOG OBEDIENCE 5-WEEK COURSE
PARTICIPANT ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER AND RELEASE

SUMMARY OF PROGRAM:

This 5 class series follows the Intro class (recommended but not required), and will help you introduce basic behaviors to your dog or puppy including, Look, Sit, Down, Leave it, and Loose Leash Walking. This class will focus on your training skills, so you can continue communicating and learning with your dog.

WHAT TO BRING:

- Proof of license and ALL age appropriate vaccinations.
- Collar and a four to six foot leash (no retractable leashes).
- Dog treats for positive reinforcement.
- Water.
- Sealable plastic bags.

POLICIES/GUIDELINES:

1. Animals can be unpredictable, especially when not trained. Accordingly, course participation is at the risk of dog owners or handlers. Owners/handlers are legally responsible for their dogs and any injury or damage caused by their dogs.
2. All dogs must be licensed and vaccinated prior to attending the dog obedience course (proof of license & age appropriate vaccination is required).
3. Under NO circumstances may an owner bring a sick dog to the class (severe runny nose/eyes, diarrhea, vomiting, etc.).
4. No dog younger than 4 months old shall be permitted to participate in the course.
5. Female dogs in heat are not allowed.
6. Aggressive dogs must be removed from the premises (e.g., snarling, snapping, biting, and unwanted jumping).
7. Dogs who show food aggression or guarding behavior shall be removed from premises.
8. Handlers must control excessive barking and noise.
9. Dogs must be leashed at all times during course, unless otherwise instructed. A FOUR TO SIX FOOT LEASH IS REQUIRED, NO RETRACTABLE LEASHES.
10. Dogs must wear a collar with identification. No pronged/spiked collars or choke chains shall be used.
11. We recommend feeding your dog a light meal the morning before class and to bring a variety of his favorite treats.
12. Handlers must clean up after their pets by sealing feces in a plastic bag and disposing of it in designated trash receptacles.
13. Handlers are responsible for providing water for their dogs. If the owner fails to provide water, the liability for pet health falls upon the owner.
14. No glass containers allowed.
15. Any bite of a human or other dog must be immediately reported to Animal Control at 360-352-2510. The involved parties must wait for an Animal Control Officer to respond except in cases where immediate medical attention is necessary.
16. For the safety of all of participants, dog participation is at the discretion of the instructor. If asked to leave, no refunds will be given after the first class meeting.