

Give a Dog a Bone

Positive Training for the Family Dog

Group Class Customer Information

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Address: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Name of Class Attending: _____

Typically how many people will be attending class: _____

If any are children please list their ages: _____

Does anyone have any allergies to peanut butter: _____

Group Class Dog Information

Pet's Name: _____ Breed: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____ Spayed/Neutered: _____

Rabies vaccine number _____ Town dog is licensed _____

Where did you get your dog? _____

How long have you had your dog? _____

Does your dog have any allergies? _____

Does your dog have any medical conditions? _____

What training have you done with your dog? _____

Knowing your dog's personality will help me customize training techniques. Please check all that apply. **My dog...**

Loves other dogs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Really loves toys (squeaky, ball, tug)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Loves to greet another person	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will lash out if another dog gets too close	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is great with other dogs he or she knows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Really doesn't like other dogs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is nervous in new situations but settles down quickly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is shy around new people and dogs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Would rather hide under a chair and observe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is a "coach potato"	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has a hard time calming down after getting excited	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will run 10 miles and not be tired	<input type="checkbox"/>

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

Name of Group Class: _____

location	class dates	instructor
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Give a Dog a Bone hereinafter known as “the Company” cannot make any guarantee regarding the outcome of any training/counseling program. The owner assumes full responsibility for the dog’s behavior during and after the training/counseling program. _____ *Owner Initial*

TERMINATION OF TRAINING

The owner of the dog(s) may have the animal withdrawn from training at any time, however, once training has begun; all fees are non-refundable.

LIABILITY

I, _____ as the legal owner/agent of the abovementioned pet(s), having carefully read and fully understand this agreement, do hereby waive and release the Company and _____ from any and all liability of any nature. This includes any injury, death, sickness or damage my pet may suffer during or after any training program. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and _____ from any and all claims due to damage the pet may cause to any family members of any third parties during or after training. The owner specifically acknowledges that they recognize the risk of taking a group class with other people and their dogs. This risk is entered into with the owner 100% responsible for their dog’s behavior at all times in the class environment.

MISCELLANEOUS

The owner/agent will be responsible for purchasing all necessary equipment that the trainer recommends for training the dog(s).

The dog(s) participating in class will be up to date on legally required vaccinations and licensed per their town ordinance. Proof of rabies vaccination and dog license is required prior to a dog attending class.

In the event either party deems it necessary to employ legal counsel to protect its rights under this agreement, the prevailing party agrees to pay all expenses including, but not limited to costs and reasonable attorney’s fees.

This training agreement and group class training information represents the full and only agreement between the parties. The terms and conditions set forth in this agreement cannot be modified or changed in any way unless agreed to by both parties in writing. I have read, fully understand and agree to the above contract terms.

Owner/Agent Signature

Date

Trainer’s Signature

Date

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Company Mission Statement

Give a Dog a Bone offers positive training for the family dog. Dogs are happiest when they have a job. Dogs need to be provided with training and guidance to understand their job within the family. Give a Dog a Bone provides families with the training and management tools to enrich their relationships with their dogs.

Successful Training

During class and at home you will be rewarding your dog for behaviors that you like. **Behaviors that are rewarded will be repeated.** Rewards take many forms. Most dogs find food rewarding. Many dogs find toys rewarding. Other rewards include verbal praise and petting. Think about what your dog finds the most rewarding and use it.

Have Fun! Training should be fun for you and your dog. Be silly, upbeat and full of energy! Your dog will respond. Be calm and a good leader! Your dog will respond.

Bubble Dogs: A bubble dog is one that can get nervous if other dogs and people get too close to them. My Cocker Spaniel, Moe is a Bubble Dog. Even so he does great taking classes. We work as a team to help overcome his anxiety. Bubble dogs need a bigger space around them than other dogs do. These dogs can be made more comfortable by making sure they are given their space. Please be mindful not to make these dogs nervous by letting your dog visit them. We will talk more about dog behavior and dog body language in class.

What to Bring to Class

- ✓ **You, family members and your dog** - If your dog is not feeling well please leave them at home but feel free to come to class. You can learn from watching others.
- ✓ **Rewards** – During the learning stage your dog will not work for free. Bring high value treats your dog likes as well as any toys your dog finds rewarding. Soft treats are the best. You may also bring a stuffed Kong.
- ✓ **Treat Bag** – Please do not use plastic bags to store your treats. I have seen dogs eat the bags. Purchase a treat bag at Petco, Pet Smart, Home Goods or online. You can also use a carpenter apron.
- ✓ **Leash** – Your dog must be on a leash at all times. Please do not use flexi leashes or chain leashes. Use a six foot leather, nylon or cotton lead which feels comfortable in your hand. I will provide a long leash for in class recall work.
- ✓ **Collar** – Your dog should be on a flat, buckle or martingale collar. No choke, pinch or electronic training collars.
- ✓ **Harness or Head Collar** – I encourage the use of front connect harnesses. There are many on the market. Easy walk and sensation harnesses are both good choices. I will talk to you if I feel your dog would benefit using a head collar.
- ✓ **Mat or Small Bed** – Bring a mat, rug or small bed for your dog to lie on. We will teach the dog to go to place.
- ✓ **Poop Bags** – I will always have some. But please bring your own.

Accidents

Please arrive a little early to potty your dog and/or potty your dog at home. Please clean up after your dog if s/he goes outside. Accidents do happen! I will have bags, Nature's Miracle and plenty of paper towels.

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