

NEW EXERCISES

- Come – on leash
- Beginning controlled walking (Name with praise and cookies or light pops or change of direction to control pulling).
- Teach your puppy not to rush through entrance/exit doors.
- Tricks
 - Spin/Twist
 - Sit Up (circus dog)
 - Get it - touch

ADVANCING LEARNED EXERCISES

- Sit with you in the standing position
- Down with you in the standing position
- Refer to your Class Goals sheet for definitions of the commands.

DO'S AND DON'TS

- Good name response is now most often rewarded with verbal and physical praise, i.e. "You are soooo clever!", ruffle the face affectionately etc.
- If you continue to repeat a command ("Sit, Sit, Sit") or wait too long before you help your dog into position, you will be teaching him that he does not have to follow your commands the first time that you say them, or that he may learn that he is allowed respond in his own good time.
- GIVE praise as freely as you give corrections!

SUGGESTIONS FOR USING WHAT YOUR DOG HAS LEARNED

Ask your puppy to sit when...

- ...you place their food or water bowl on the floor.
- ...the doorbell rings. Have your puppy sit before you open the door.
- ...each time you stop during a walk, i.e. corners, crosswalks.
- ...you go for a walk. You should move your dog off the sidewalk and use the sit when yielding to joggers and bicycles or when approaching other pedestrians walking dogs that are unknown to you.
- ...when you greet your puppy upon returning home.
- ...to teach self-control.

Ask your puppy to down when...

- ...you go for a walk and stop longer than one minute to have a conversation with a friend or neighbor.
- ...in the vets waiting room
- ...you would like your puppy to take a rest during or after exercise.
- ...you need your puppy to stay longer than a minute or two in one place

SUGGESTIONS FOR USING WHAT YOUR DOG HAS LEARNED (continued)

NOTE

Dogs are often uncomfortable lying down in the midst of strange dogs or in strange environments. Allow your dog 15 minutes in new situations to assure them that they are in no danger.

If you suspect your dog is uncomfortable lying down in front of a strange dog, find a distance from the new dog that your dog feels more comfortable with and use your body to shield your dog from the other dog. It is important that you take responsibility for your dog and not allow anything negative to happen to your dog because of the position that you have put him in.

The following will help your puppy to learn self-control.

- You should no longer allow your puppy to rush through the entrance door to the building ahead of you!
- After a five-minute investigation period, ask your puppy lay down or sit near your feet. Watch your puppy out of the corner of your eye and if he breaks the down or sit return him to the position you asked for no matter how many times you have to do it. Periodically praise your puppy for the sit or down, or use the time to interactively play with your puppy.

BRING TO NEXT CLASS

- Your dog's favorite toys
- A tug toy (it can be an old dish towel)
- DELICIOUS training treats (always)