

# BASIC OBEDIENCE CLASS

I am an honor graduate from the Animal Behavior College, and I follow the college's training philosophy of training with positive reinforcement and negative punishment. Simply, positive reinforcement is a training method using a reward based system and the dog works to get something the dog likes.

Negative punishment is the removal of something the dog desires when the dog performs an undesirable behavior. A treat, toy or petting are examples of positive reinforcement and removal of these items or turning your back on the dog when the dog demonstrates an undesirable behavior are examples of negative punishment. You will learn the four stages of learning that is necessary to have your dog successfully learn and maintain a desired behavior. By following the great "Father of Modern" educational psychology, Edward Thorndike and "Thorndike's Law of Effect", which proves that "of all the possible responses to a given situation, those responses followed by a reward are more likely to occur in the future." And the opposite is true: responses followed by a correction are less likely to occur in the future. I will teach you to lure your dog into any desired behavior following these principles:

- Sit
- Stay
- Down
- Come/ Recall
- Stand
- Wait
- Heel
- Loose Leash Walking
- Leave it, Park it
- Problem Solving For Unwanted Behaviors
- Learn how to control unwanted behaviors such as inappropriate jumping, inappropriate chewing or biting, inappropriate digging, and inappropriate barking.
- Learn the art of proper potty training for both young and aging pets.

BRING PLENTY OF YUMMY TREATS AND A HUNGRY DOG.

(PLEASE, NO RETRACTABLE LEASHES)

TRAINING WITH THE THREE Fs (Flexible, Fair & Fun)

Register NOW FOR BASIC OBEDIENCE CLASS

Please bring vaccination records on day one.

Class one: Owners Only, No dogs. Will discuss class outline and preparation work.

Class two: Food Lure, Focus work, Leadership Skills, Positive Reinforcement, Negative Punishment and No Reward Marker

Class three: Sit/stay/Release, Loose Leash Walking, Review behavioral problems or concerns

Class four: Down/ Down stay/ Release, Heeling on-Leash, Review issues/concerns

Class five: Recall, Doggy Pushups, Stand, Review issues/concerns

Class six: "Leave it" "Take it" "Park it", "Find it" Review issues/concerns

Class seven: Test and Graduation.

**GAIL PARKS**  
**315-651-5928**  
**CERTIFIED DOG TRAINER**  
**TRAINING AT PHOEBE'S K9 RESORT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male\_\_ Female\_\_ Spay/Neuter YES\_\_ NO\_\_

Vet's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Vet's phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Shot Records: Yes\_\_ NO\_\_

This is a Basic obedience Class. The class will meet for approximately 1 hour.

**A minimum \$25.00 deposit with registration form is required to hold your spot  
in class!**

**Release of Liability**

I, (Owners Name) \_\_\_\_\_, as the legal owner of (Dog's Name) \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby waive and release Gail Parks, training at Phoebe's K9 Resort, 92 Garden St. Seneca Falls, NY from any and all liabilities of any nature. I agree to take complete responsibility for the actions of my dog, and myself, before, during, and after class. At no time will the instructor of this class be liable or responsible for the actions of myself, my dog or any other person who accompanies me to class.

Owners signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_