

DOG TRAINING SERVICES AGREEMENT 2020

Please fill out form and email back before session.

Owner Name:
Mobile phone that can be texted:
Address:
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Previous customer? <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended by

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Please mark all answers that apply.

- **My dog(s) are spayed/neutered.** Yes
If Yes, at what age? _____ Not yet, but we plan to Not planning to
- **At what age did you receive your dog, and from where?**
- **Number/type pets living in house.**
- **Does your dog, or anyone have food allergies?** No Yes If yes, to what? _____
- **Dog has medical conditions/ takes daily medication** No Yes
- **Are vaccinations current for age?** No Yes
- **When and how often is your dog feed?**
What are you feeding them? (be specific) _____
- **My dog started a fight with another dog.** No Yes If yes Explain. _____

- **Does your dog get exercise, and in what ways?** Playing inside Plays in yard by self
We play together in yard They get daily walks Walked every other day We go running
We spend hour(s) at the park 1 ≥ a week Other _____
- **How does your dog react toward children and adults?** Loves everyone Adults only Children over age of 10y Fearful/ Shy around new people Growls, barks, lunges at guests in home
Offensive aggression (moving towards, lunging, chasing, hackles raised)
Defensive aggression (protective, fearful, might back up or hide, body crouched)
Other _____

- **Reaction to another dog--** “carefree” Under control around other dog Seeking out other dogs, pulling, vocal, playful Assertive, pulling, running towards, lunging, barking, growling Fearful, crouched down, may back away, or stand close to, or behind you Other
- **Other animals?** No problems No cats No small animals Other
- **Have they used potty pads?** Never Years ago, not anymore Yes, currently Yes, but working on going outside
- **Are they Potty trained outside?** Yes 100% Yes but a few accidents a week We are trying, but still have daily accidents
- **Dog has bitten a person, drawn blood.** Never Accidentally while playing Bit when person got near food or treat Bit while guarding/playing with toy or bone Bit/attacked a person in self-defense, or defending another Has bite history, attacked, and severely injured another. Other
- **Have you ever used a choke chain, prong collar, shock collars, or other correction collar?**
No, never In the past, but no more Currently using a
- **Average number of hours your dog is left alone each weekday?**
- **Please describe your dog’s behavior when left alone at home (without people)**
- **What is your dog’s reaction when someone comes home?**
- **Have you ever used a crate or pen for confinement? Yes No**
- **Do you still use a crate or pen? Yes No**
- **If you no longer use a crate or confinement, when and why did you stop?**
- **Is your dog ever left alone outside? Yes No How often? How long on average?**

Main reason for training – Behaviors problems

What is the biggest problem, at the top of your list, you would like to work on?

Please explain as much as you can, in detail!

Services:

Trainer agrees to provide private lessons for Client and Dog on a lesson-by-lesson basis, the goal being to teach Clients how to train and work with their dog. These lessons will take place at Client's home. Trainer will make every reasonable effort to help Client achieve training and behavior modification goals but makes no guarantee of their dog's performance or behavior by providing professional dog training consultation.

Client understands that he/she and members of the household must follow Trainer's instructions as demonstrated, work with dog daily as recommended, and constantly reinforce training given to their dog.

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“**I agree** and understand that the elimination or modification of behaviors is not guaranteed, and training may not provide exact results. I understand that dog training may involve risks to me, and/or members of my family. I assume all risks associated with participating in this training and will not hold Rebecca Mason, (*Patient Paws Dog Training LLC.*) responsible in the event of injury to myself or a family member.

I agree to comply with the instructions, rules and decisions of the training instructor as it relates to myself or my dog's ability to safely complete each training session. I agree to assume all responsibility for any damage done to property or personal possessions, of Rebecca Mason, (*Patient Paws Dog Training LLC.*) done by my dog's actions.

My **signature below gives permission for any resulting photographs or video containing** images of my dog and/or myself to be used for advertising, educational material, or promotional purposes.”

PRICING

CHECKS, CASH, AND CREDIT CARDS EXCEPTED.

Sessions are \$45 (per dog) an hour. The 1st session is 2 hours long \$90 (\$45 an hour). In some situations, there are so many things to cover, that time runs past our original set time. **Please make sure to pay the total in full!**

I do my best to stay on time, but when there are many things to talk about, we can run over even by an hour. **Please keep this in mind if you are paying with cash!**
Please make out Checks out to “Patient Paws” Thank You!

I want to concentrate on one dog per session, if you're having problems with more than one dog, please make a separate session for them, you can make an 2-hour appointment, and work with one dog separately, for 1 hour.

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- It is crucial that I have your undivided attention during our sessions.
- **Electronics** such as a TVs, CELL PHONES, games, radio, etc. **need to be turned off, mute, or vibrate** during any time that I am there working with you and your dog. **I need to concentrate and the less background noise the better our session will be for all of us!!**

Please let me know to cancel an appointment *CONTACT ME ASAP!*

Items I recommend you get for training sessions More at end of form

- Something to hold treats on your person, treat bag/ pouch, zipper purse, fanny pack, just be creative.
- **TREATS** (more information at end of packet)
- A sturdy leash, flat collar, martingale collar, head halter, or harness is required. **No Flexi leashes please!**
NO CHOKE CHAINS, OR PRONG COLLARS, OR SHOCK COLLARS!

- Carpet cleaning spray and odor remover, for potty accidents.
- ‘Bitter Apple Spray©’ is also **highly** recommended and can help with more behavior problems than chewing.

Each dog is an individual and, like a child, learns at a different rate. Many influences come into play when determining how much you can expect from a puppy at any given age.

Some breeds of dogs, such as the Poodle and Shepherds, are notoriously bright and catch on to training very quickly. A typical Poodle puppy can be reliably house-trained in just a few days. Dogs who have a stubborn streak (terriers), may take a little longer. Expectations also depend upon how diligent you are in your training. The less amount of time you spend working with your dog, the more time it will take for you to see a difference in their behavior, regardless of the dog's intelligence.

How I Prefer to Train

Positive Reinforcement

ADDING a GOOD stimulus to INCREASE the likelihood of a behavior: The stimulus can be a treat, praise, petting, toy, etc.

- Reward
- Shaping
- Marker
- Modeling
- Motivation
- Capturing
- Luring
- Counter conditioning
- Jack pot

Negative Punishment

REMOVING a GOOD stimulus to DECREASE the likelihood of a behavior: The stimulus can be ignoring jumping until the dog stops

- Extinction
- Extinction burst
- Compulsion
- Removing a toy, treat, praise, attention, even eye contact.

I DO NOT USE THESE METHODS unless it was the very last resort.

Positive Punishment

ADDING a BAD stimulus to DECREASE the likelihood of a behavior: The stimulus could be a choke, pinch, or electric collar; shouting; hitting; or hand/foot corrections. **THESE ARE TYPICALLY OLD FASIONED METHODS, AND KNOWN TO MAKE DOGS MORE AGGRESSIVE, AND FEARFUL. These techniques are commonly associated with Cesar Millan and his many tv shows “Dog Whisperer, Cesar 911, and Leader of the Pack.**

Please do not watch or use methods used on these shows!!!!

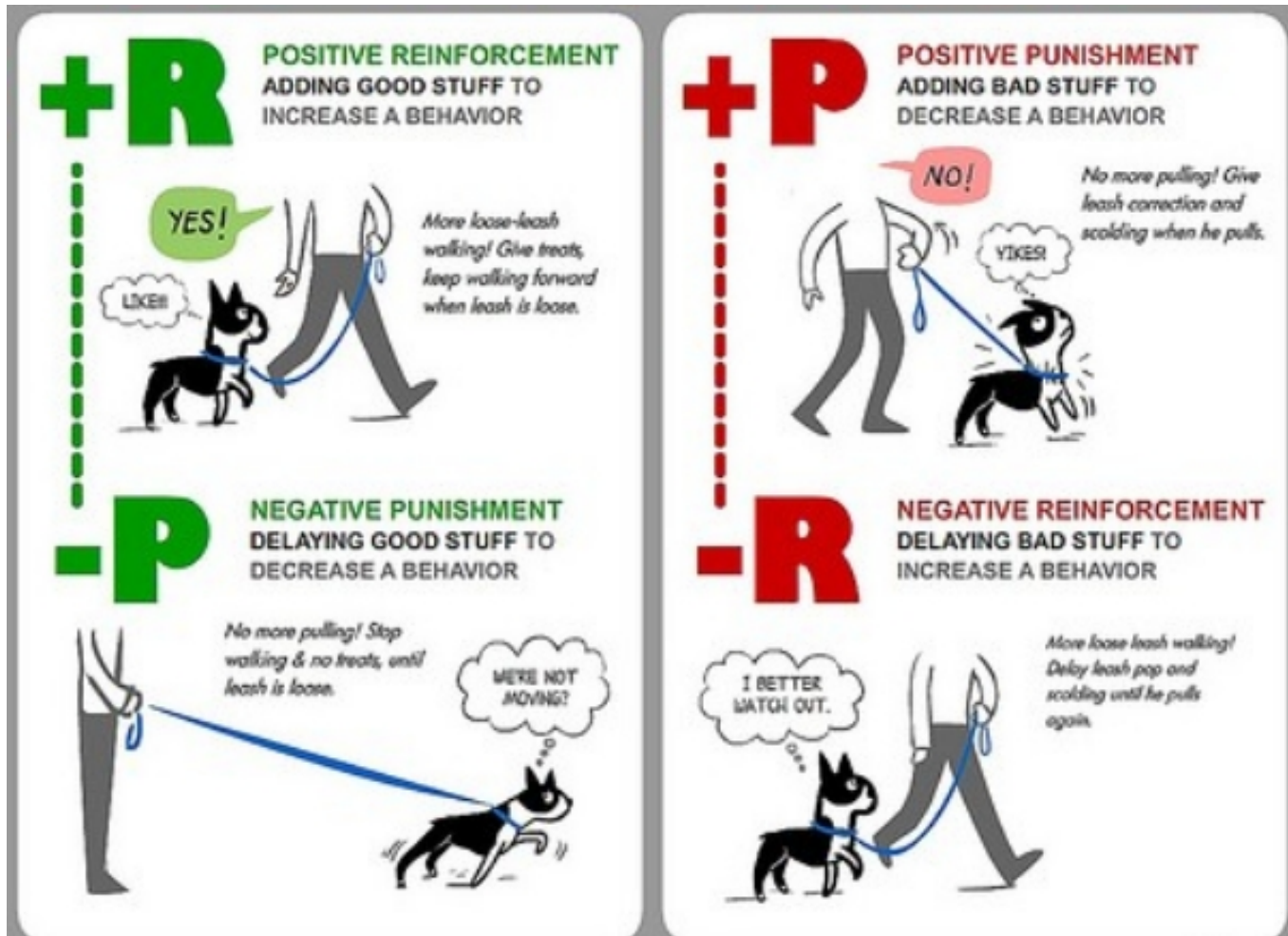


<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpha role (pack leader)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flooding (exposure response prevention) <p>Flooding is prolonged exposure therapy. Forcefully exposing the dog to the stimuli that triggers its fear and caused the original trauma.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rubbing puppies face in potty accident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Correction- Pinching, kicking, smacking, spanking pushing, or hitting

Negative Reinforcement

REMOVING a BAD stimulus to INCREASE the likelihood of a behavior:
The stimulus can be a toe/ ear pinch, physical handling, or an electric collar.

- An electric collar to reinforce a come when called
- Physically pushing/pulling a dog into position
- Toe or ear pinch when teaching fetch
- Releasing tension after choking on a choke collar



Yelling, threatening aggression, and using physical force are **not acceptable or effective ways** to modify a dog's behavior. Because these techniques will not work, a person might mistakenly think they need to try harder to assert their dominance by being even more aggressive, effectively blurring the lines between training and abuse. Ultimately this will lead to a different set of problems. If you're "lucky," your dog might just try to calm his nerves by chewing things around the house. But you might also end up with a dog that bites you the next time he feels threatened.

Your dog is not a wild animal, so do not treat them as one. Dogs are not wolves.

This information below are facts, from various studies from researchers—

In the wild, you might say that a wolf's most basic motivation is to pass its genes on and compete for food. In today's world your dog has other things to worry about. You may not appreciate his to-do list, but when he demands treats by barking incessantly, jumps on visitors, or drags you down the street during walks, he isn't trying to assert his dominance, and he certainly ISN'T competing with you like a wolf would for food or mates—he's just trying his best to get what he wants, whether it's a snack, attention, or that squirrel who's been giving him the side-eye from your neighbor's lawn all afternoon.

They are not worried about where his next meal is coming from or who he is going to mate with; he has a vastly different set of priorities than a wolf. So, if he is not a wolf and you are not a wolf, what is the sense in pretending otherwise?

The bottom line is that they have no clue about how wolves interact, **so human displays of dominance are meaningless** to him. If his owner, the person he depends on for absolutely everything, becomes unpredictable and aggressive, it will only engender fear and anxiety—not obedience.

Be positive when training, not forceful



What to do when Trainer arrives-

- Please do whatever you typically do when someone comes over. **For example:**
*Do you usually put them outside? - *Do you leash them? - *Do you put them in another room or crate? - *Do you let them greet people at door as they come in? - *Do you take them outside to greet?
- **I want to see what normally happens so I can see a typically reaction or “greeting”.**
*****If your dog usually jumps on people, PLEASE DO NOT yell at them, just ignore them so I can really see their reaction! *****
- **I come prepared for many situations, so I usually have my large toolbox rolling around with me.** So please do not be alarmed by it.
- Please pick the largest room for us to work in. The more room the better!

Who should be present for the session?

- Your family, Friends, Neighbors, Babysitters, anyone who comes over often. It saves you from having to explain everything from our session multiple times. It is beneficial to listen, watch, and learn the first time around. Kids are welcome if they are interested. If your dog chases, tackles, nips, or mouths your kids, it is important that they learn what to do during those situations! The more people “on the same page” with training the quicker you will start seeing results from your dog(s)

What should I get before our sessions?

- Please get a treat bag, fanny pack, small over shoulder purse to keep high value treats in when we are training. Look in your closets, old clothes, Goodwill store, or garage sales, you would be surprised what you can find. ***PLEASE NOT A ZIPLOCK BAG, OR POCKET.***
- A PROPER fitting flat collar, meaning any collar that is not a chain, electric, or a prong collar.



- Use the “two finger” rule: Once the dog’s collar is fastened, you should be able to easily slide just two fingers under the collar. When you slide the width of your two fingers between the collar and neck, the collar should feel snug, but not tight. You should not be able to slide your dog’s collar off his head, or your dog can slip out if they really want to.



A notebook! Please do not hesitate to take notes! We can go over so much it can be hard to remember!

- Treats! Below are treats I recommend. **TREATS hold different values**

- Plain Cheerios (yes, the cereal) low calorie, small, won't spoil dog's appetite.
- PureBites Chicken Breast, Beef, Duck Freeze-Dried Dog Treats.
- Performatrin ultra limited dog treats freeze dried chicken liver beef liver, duck, etc.
- Zukes mini naturals -many different flavors.
- **Fruitables -lots of choices**
- Have soft treats that can be broken into small pieces. Cut up chicken or turkey is wonderful! VERY SMALL quantities of plain Hotdogs can also be good.
- **Please DON'T use large or crumbly treats.**
- **Please NO milk bones, pupperoni, bacon strips, or any manufactured by Purina, Pedigree or Gravy Train.**

It would be greatly appreciated if you could give us a rating on our Facebook page and Google, 1-5 stars! Thank you so much!



Recommendations & Reviews

★ 5 out of 5 ⓘ

Based on the opinion of 10 people