

# Basic Manners Class

**Why Should We Go?** Just as human children are required to go to school through 12th grade, we believe dogs should be in school until they're 2 years old. This reduces the chance for behavior problems, and helps to maintain a strong and positive relationship with your 4-legged family member. Classes are limited to 6 dogs, allowing the teacher to spend more time with each dog and on individual family dog issues. Instructors are professional trainers and behaviorists.

**Is There An Age Limit?** Dogs over the age of 18 weeks may enroll. Dogs can learn at any age.

## What Will We Do?

- Shaping appropriate social behavior with people, including children. Activities include:
  - Loose-leash walking
  - Promoting engagement which decreases response time to cues
  - How to greet visitors and friendly strangers appropriately
- Teaching basic manners. Activities includes:
  - Sit, stay, down, come, using the lure-reward method of training.
  - Proofing behaviors against distractions.
  - Practical applications such as waiting in front of an open door.
  - Making you the center of your dog's attention, so responses to all cues are crisp and immediate.



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## Tell Us More!

- ✓ Cost: \$125. Includes the book *Family Friendly Dog Training* (McConnell, Moore).

<i>Date/Time</i>	<i>Date/Time</i>	<i>Date/Time</i>
Mondays, Jan 21 - Feb 25, 3-4pm	Mondays, Jul 7 - Aug 11, 3-4pm	Mondays, Oct 20 - Nov 24, 8-9pm
Mondays, Jan 21 - Feb 25, 4.30-5.30pm	Mondays, Jul 7 - Aug 11, 8-9pm	Saturdays, Oct 25, Nov 1-8, Nov 22, Dec 6-13, 2:30-3:30pm
Mondays, Mar 3 - Apr 7, 3-4pm	Saturdays, Jul 12 - Aug 16, 2:30-3:30pm	
Mondays, Mar 3 - Apr 7, 8-9pm	Mondays, Sept 8 - Oct 13, 3-4pm	
Mondays, Apr 14 - May 19, 8-9pm	Mondays, Sept 8 - Oct 13, 5-6pm	
Saturdays, May 3 - June 7 11-12 pm	Saturdays Sept 13 - Oct 18, 2:30-3:30pm	

- ✓ How to Enroll? Return the registration form below with your \$125. tuition fee (non-refundable) to hold your space in the class.
- ✓ Anything Else?
  - Class runs for 6 consecutive weeks. The class is limited to 6 dogs.
  - You probably help your kids with homework; you'll be given homework assignments to do with your dog.
  - To control the spread of infectious diseases, dogs need to be residing in your home a minimum of 10 days prior to the first session of class. **Please bring your dog's vaccination certificate to the first class.**
- ✓ Questions? Call 262-569-1050.

### Basic Manners Class

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date You Wish to Start Class \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear of this class? \_\_\_\_\_

Payment:

- Check
- Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail form and payment to: Kindness Canine Behavior Consultants LLC, 105 W. Wisconsin Ave., Oconomowoc WI 53066.

I hereby waive and release Claudeen E. Mc Auliffe, Kindness Canine Behavior Consultants LLC, and their agents, representatives and assistants from any and all liability of any nature, for injury, or damage which I, my family, my guests or my animal may suffer, including specifically but without limitation, any injury or damage resulting from the actions of any animal, including my own, and I expressly assume the risk of such damage or injury. Tuition fee is non-refundable.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please Print Your Name \_\_\_\_\_



## **Welcome to our Basic Manners Class!**

Please arrive a few minutes early the first night to handle any administrative tasks. Bring your dog's vaccination certification, or a document which indicates you have a relationship with a veterinary practitioner.

Vaccination protocols have changed, so please consult with your veterinarian concerning which vaccines are appropriate for your dog. You are not required to vaccinate your dog in order to come to class, however, we will need a letter from your veterinarian indicating the status of your dog's immunity.

Bring your dog's favorite treats. These should be soft, meaty, and about the size of a pea. Good selections include shreds of cooked chicken, bits of Natural Balance soft dogfood, cheese, etc. Some dogs prefer vegetarian rewards such as cheerios or carrots. Let your dog decide which is the best, and have a selection of treats from low value to high value. Value of a treat is determined by your dog!

To keep your dog quiet during the demonstration and lecture parts of class, consider bringing Kong toys stuffed with peanut butter or whatever you prefer. Pig ears and rawhides are not recommended due to sanitation and choking hazards.

We do not allow prongs, chains or flexi's to be used in this class. If your dog's pulling is a problem, consider allowing us to fit your dog with a Gentle Leader Easy Walk harness, which prevents pulling in 95% of dogs on which it is used. Prices range from \$18-24. depending on size, and the fitting is free. We encourage test drives before you buy!

We encourage you to bring your children to class. But it's impossible for us to watch the dogs and children, too, so if you'd like to bring children be sure they can focus on the activity for one hour. We don't have anything to keep children occupied if they get bored. This activity is probably not suitable for children under the age of 7.

If your dog is ill, please let her rest and recover at home while you come to class.