

TRAINING TIPS TO START NOW

Use these tips to get a jumpstart on training your dog before the program start date.

HUMAN HABITS TO BREAK OR CHANGE TODAY.

- Don't repeat commands.** If you tell your dog to Sit, say it ONE time.
Do NOT say "Sit" "Sit" "Sit" "Sit" "Sit"
- Don't say your dog's name and expect them to know what you want. Follow their name with a command they know.
Fido Sit."
- Stop giving commands in English phrases your dog doesn't know.
Ex: "C'mere", "Stop It", "Get down", "Move", "It's ok", "Shush", etc.....
- Don't give your dog what they want when they're doing something you don't like.
- Don't use your hands to push when they're jumping
- Don't pick up your dog when they're barking (this is a reward)



HOUSETRAINING-IF YOUR DOG HAS ACCIDENTS

- Never leave food & water out all day if your dog has accidents
- Put your dog on a feeding schedule
 - Morning and Evening for food
 - Morning, Afternoon, Late Afternoon, Early evening (don't give water 3 hours before bed)
 - Take dog out every 20 minutes after eating or drinking
- NEVER leave unattended if your dog hasn't eliminated outside
- Take outside after waking up from naps
- Take outside after energetic play sessions
- Treat your dog OUTSIDE immediately after he eliminates, NOT when he comes in
- Crate when you're unable to supervise

GUIDANCE AND GOOD PRACTICE

- Wait for your dog to be calm before giving or doing anything they want
- Don't purposely overexcite your dog
- Stand up straight when giving your dog a command
- Be conscious of when you're petting your dog – petting is a reward, therefore rewards what they are doing in that exact moment