

*****This application must be mailed along with your check (payable to BDTA) to:**

Sande Winters 430 Mushrush Rd, Butler, PA 16002

BUTLER DOG TRAINING ASSOCIATION

OBEDIENCE CLASS APPLICATION

Puppy Class (\$90) _____ **Basic Manners & Obedience Level I (\$120)** _____

Basic Manners & Obedience Level II (\$120) _____ (must have attended a beginners' class)

Name _____

Phone# _____ **E-Mail** _____

Mailing Address _____

Please check your age group: 10-18 yrs ____ 19-35 yrs ____ 36-64 yrs ____ Over 65 ____

How did you learn about this class? _____ Have you trained before? _____

Are you a member of Butler Dog Training Association? _____

Dog's Name _____ **Breed of dog** _____ **Dog's age** _____ **Dog's date of birth** _____

Age of dog when you got him/her _____ **Sex** _____ **Neutered/Spayed** _____

Where did you get your dog? _____ **Is this your first dog?** _____

% of time dog spends: Indoors _____ Outdoors _____ **# of hours dog spends alone** _____

In your household, how many: Adults _____ Children _____ **Ages of children** _____

Please answer the following questions as accurately as possible to enable the instructor and assistants to best help you and your dog:

Is your dog housebroken? _____ **Is your dog anxious when left alone?** _____

Is your dog destructive? _____ **If yes, please describe** _____

How does your dog react to strangers? _____ **To strange dogs?** _____

Has your dog ever bitten another person or dog? _____ **If yes, please describe the situation** _____

Will your dog allow you to groom him? _____ **Does your dog walk on a leash?** _____

Does your dog have a barking problem? _____ **When?** _____

Does your dog guard: His toys? _____ His food dish? _____ His bed? _____

Does your dog come when called? _____ **Where does your dog sleep?** _____

How much exercise does your dog get daily? _____

Does your dog have any physical problems? _____

Does your dog have food allergies? Please specify _____

Is your dog crate-trained? _____

Are there other dogs in your household? How many? _____ **Ages** _____

Do you have any physical problems? Severe allergies? _____

What do you like best about your dog? _____

What would you like to accomplish in this class? _____

As a condition for the acceptance of this application, this agreement must be signed.

AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS, WAIVER AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I understand that attendance of a dog obedience training class is not without risk to myself, members of my family or guests who may attend, or my dog, because some of the dogs to whom I will be exposed may be difficult to handle even with the greatest amount of care. I hereby waive and release the Butler Dog Training Association hereinafter referred to as the "training organization", its officers, members, and agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer, including specifically, but without limitation, any injury or damage resulting from the action of any dog, and I expressly assume risk of such damage or injury while attending any training session, or any other function of the training organization, or while on the training grounds or the surrounding areas thereto. In consideration of and as inducement to the acceptance of my application for training or membership by this training organization, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless this training organization, its officers, members and agents from any and all claims or claims by any member of any family or any other person accompanying me to any training session or function of the training organization, or while on the grounds or the surrounding area thereto as a result of any action by any dog, including my own.

Signature of owner or authorized agent
(In case of a minor, a parent or legal guardian must sign)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of owner (if different from name on reverse side) _____

Address _____

DO NOT WRITE IN THE SPACE BELOW, FOR BUTLER DOG TRAINING ASSOCIATION'S USE ONLY.

Amount of deposit _____ check# _____ cash _____ balance due _____

Balance paid _____ check# _____ cash _____ date _____

Vaccination dates: Rabies _____ DHLLPP _____

Date of Parasite check _____ negative _____ being treated _____

Veterinarian _____ Instructor or assistant's initials _____

BUTLER DOG TRAINING ASSOCIATION INSTRUCTION SHEET

*****PLEASE READ CAREFULLY*****

Keep for your records	
PUPPY (6 week session) _____	BASIC MANNERS & OBEDIENCE (8 week session) Level 1: _____ Level 2: _____
PRICE: \$90	Price: \$120

*****Spaces in class are filled as applications (with a deposit) are received. Spaces are not “held” by just a phone conversation. Your application must be received in the mail in order for your dog to be placed in a class.*****

Please take a moment to read this sheet. Also, keep this instruction sheet for future reference.

- 1) Before mailing your application, we ask that you call 724-287-3933 and speak to Sande to determine the best class for you.** Sande will be able to give you the information about the classes that are currently being filled, the times and the starting dates. You will then be asked to mail in your deposit (1/2 the total class fee) with your application to hold a space in class. Balance of the class fee will be due at your first class. **Checks (deposits and final fee payments) are not cashed until class starts. Deposits are non-refundable unless a 5-day notice prior to starting your class is given. You will be responsible for any fees incurred by NSF checks.**
- 2) Please make checks payable to: BDTA**
- 3) Mail checks w/application to: Sande Winters, 430 Mushrush Road, Butler 16002**
- 4) For your first class, bring proof of your dog’s vaccinations and certification from your veterinarian stating that your dog has been checked for parasites within 30 days of starting your first class. Positive fecal tests require treatment before attending class. Dogs / puppies testing positive for Giardia must have a negative fecal on re-test or be asymptomatic with no cysts showing in the case of a positive retest after treatment. All dogs must have ID tags (even if micro-chipped)**
- 5) You will need a 4’-6’ leash. No flexi-leads (retractable leashes) are permitted. We recommend leather leashes because of the ease in handling and durability. Handmade leather leashes are available for sale at our training building. The type of collar / harness used in class will be a decision between you and your instructor. We do not use chokers, prong collars or e-collars in our training classes.**

- 6) Please try to arrive at least 15 minutes early for class.
- 7) **Children under the age of 10 years old may not train in class due to liability issues. Very young children and infants are not permitted in the training area. They must have adult supervision outside of the training area at all times for safety reasons. If you have concerns about this, please speak with your instructor.**
- 8) Since consistency is important in building a relationship with your dog, we suggest that the same handler work with the dog each class throughout the course. However, we do understand that another family member may need to attend the class when there is a schedule conflict, emergency, etc.
- 9) **Not all dogs do well in a group class. Sometimes a group class can make certain behavior issues more intense. If your dog has issues with reactivity, aggression, incessant barking, lunging and growling, you may need to start your dog with a qualified private trainer. If you are concerned about your dog's behavior before attending a class, you may ask for an evaluation before applying for a class. Pre-class evaluations are \$25. After assessing your dog's behavior, we can suggest private trainers who would be able to work with you and your dog. Any dog that cannot be handled in class or causes a major concern due to excessive barking, aggressive behavior or reactivity will be grounds for dismissal**
10. Most important of all, we would like you to remember that every dog has a right to a warm bed, a nutritious diet, good health care, exercise, companionship, and the chance to develop the intelligence inherent in all canines. When your dog is given these necessities, you will be given the unconditional love, loyalty and companionship all good dog owners receive in return.

Our address for your GPS: 1017 Evans City Rd, Renfrew, PA 16053. We are on Route 68 W if you are coming from Butler. Our driveway is on the left immediately after you pass the Butler Humane Society's driveway. If you are coming from Evans City or Cranberry, you will be going east on Route 68 and you will make a right into the driveway.

No video-taping of class permitted. Also, we ask that cell phones be silenced before each class starts.