

Basic Manners & Life Skills: 8- Sessions



Session #1: All Things Dog

- How Dogs Learn:
- Development & Socialization
- Equipment
- Potty Training/ Crate Training (if applicable)
- Building independence and reliability
- Use of a marker word/ default sit/down/stand collar touch

Session #2: Clicker Mechanics

- How to use a clicker
- Using a clicker with the sit/ down/stand
- Teach targeting
- Attention & Focus Games

Session #3: Leave It

- Why "leave it" is so important
- How to build a strong "leave it" in different environments
- Scenarios for "leave it" will be discussed

Session #4: Wait/ Stay

- Difference between wait/stay
- How to build a reliable wait
- How to build a reliable stay

Session #5: Shape to a Mat

- Teach your dog to go to his mat on cue
- Settle/ creating calm behavior
- How to work with the "4 D's", distraction, duration, distance and different environments

Session #6: Basics of Loose Leash Walking

- The process of teaching a loose leash walk
- The steps it takes so you can be successful and have fun.
- Exercises and tips that help you build reliability in the LLW

Session #7: Basics of Recall

- The process of building a reliable recall- step by step protocol
- Activities and games that will help build a reliable recall.

Session #8: Review/ Coaching of Challenges

- Session is a wrap up of all the other sessions along with coaching any challenges and reviewing the main concepts of the class.

***This is a general outline and we will make adjustments based on your needs and the needs of your dog.**