



BEHAVIOR & TRAINING

We advocate for positive reinforcement and reward-based training – training should be fun for both you and your pet! Working with a professional trainer, whether in a group class or private consultation, is a great way to create a solid foundation with your newly adopted pet.

To help get started, see a list of local area trainers on the back of this sheet. This list is provided as a convenience, and you should always talk to the trainer(s) personally, observe a class, and then decide if the trainer is one that you are comfortable working with. When choosing a trainer, it is important to ask about years of experience, techniques and methods used, certifications (CPDT-KA, CBCC-KA)/credentials/professional association memberships, and educational background. See more tips on how to choose a trainer below...but most importantly, find someone you and your dog trust!

How to Choose a Trainer (Courtesy of AVSAB)

1. **Reward-based training:** Look for a trainer who uses primarily or only reward-based training with treats, toys, and play.
2. **Good teacher:** Trainers should explain what and why they are training a behavior and provide ample time in class for practice and individual assistance. They should also be able to adapt their humane training methods to your individual dog.
3. **Continual education:** Does your trainer attend seminars, courses, or conferences to keep up with the latest science and training techniques?
4. **Respectful:** Avoid trainers who recommend using physical force.
5. **Observe a class:** Do the dogs and people look happy?
6. **Do you feel comfortable?**
7. **There are no guarantees:** Dogs are individuals and behavior is not static, so a reputable trainer will never guarantee results.
8. **Vaccinations should be required.**
9. **Problem behaviors:** Can your trainer address special issues and collaborate with a veterinarian when necessary?

LOCAL TRAINERS & BEHAVIORISTS

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Canine Training Adventures

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Kindred Hearts Dog Training LLC

www.kindredheartsdogtraining.com

My Dog Training Academy

www.mldtb.com

Paws & Train

www.pawsntrain.com

Petco Corvallis

www.stores.petco.com/or/corvallis/pet-supplies-corvallis-or-203.html

PetSmart Corvallis

www.petsmart.com/stores/us/or/corvallis-store2486.html

Pet Parenting Consultants

www.petparentingconsultants.com

Use promo code 10SAFEADOPT for 10% off on all training sessions and initial consultations!

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www.wonderdogstraining.com

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