

## Indispensable Training Instructions For Dogs

Dogs can be first-rate companions and magnificent household pets. We have called them "man's best friend" forever because of that. But in order to be a good doggy resident and a reliable family pet you must train your dog well.

You should start training your puppy for obedience as soon as he arrives at your dwelling. The training will be continuing until he is about a year old and then while he may be considered "fully trained", you will still need to work with him to keep his skills sharp for the rest of his years. A well-trained dog is a pleasure to own and a delight to be around.

The number one rule of dog training is that you must be the "alpha dog". Some people may not like that expression but the reality is that dogs are pack animals and they expect to have a leader. You must be the leader and all of the human being members of your family must outrank your dog in the pack order. Dogs will do everything for the leader of the pack so that must be you.

Never allow your dog to show domination. He must wait for his food until you are done eating. This is an understated but crucial thing. You must also never permit him jump on you or other people either.

Never allow your puppy to do stuff that would not be acceptable for an mature dog. This includes nipping and jumping at you and others. Consistency is one of the most critical things when it comes to training your dog. A dog does not infer like a human and if you don't want your dog to jump on you when you are dressed in your business suit then don't let him jump on you when you are wearing your play clothes. Consistency is crucial.

Using a crate will make all of your training easier. Dogs feel safe and secure in a warm and snug place that they believe their own. In the beginning your puppy may moan in the crate but if you just leave him in there he will grow to like it. Using a crate will make housetraining and obedience training easier.

It is crucial for your dog's protection that he knows how to sit and stay. You must be able to control your dog at specific times and he must be compliant with your orders in order to avoid problems like running off and jumping all over the visitors that come to your house.

Teaching your dog to walk on a leash and to heel is also an vital lesson. And after the basics you will probably want to teach your dog some fun things like fetching. A well-trained dog makes the best pet so do not slack on your duties as a conscientious pet-owner.

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