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### **Group Class Preparation**

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Congratulations! You have taken a big step forward, for you and your dog by enrolling in Group Training Class. To help you prepare, I have some helpful information regarding training.

**Where:** All classes will be held at Precision K9 Training, located at:

303 E McKinley Rd  
Ottawa IL 61350

With the exception of Intermediate Obedience. Location will vary from week to week.

**Reminder:** Your first class session is **humans-only**. That's right, no dogs! Your trainer will go over the basic goals and expectations for the class before you and your dog join the remaining five weeks of fun.

**Health Certificate:** All dogs are required to have a certificate of health or proof of vaccinations. Also, please ask your vet to indicate on the health certificate whether your dogs stool sample is positive or negative. If your dog comes down with "something" during the time that you are in class, please notify me within a week.

**Attendance:** Please carefully consider your schedule, commitment to training and your dog, before registering for class. Our class sizes are small to ensure quality. By enrolling, you are reserving a space in one of our courses, i.e., specific sessions in specific classes (at specific times and dates).

To get the most from the class, attendance is important, it is an investment that will have payoffs!

Do not bring a female in heat to class, unless you are enrolled in a private class. The owner should attend the class to keep up with the week's lesson, and continue to work with the dog at home until she is out of heat, usually lasts 3 weeks.

**Refunds/Make-Up Classes:** No refunds will be given after first class has commenced. There are no make-up lessons provided for classes that the registrant did not participate in.

**Feeding:** Feed three hours before coming to class to prevent car sickness and vomiting from excitement.

Be sure to take your dog "potty" before class, even if they had eliminated at home prior to coming, and feel free to step out of class anytime you think your dog has to go. Clean-up materials will be available for you to use in case of an accident.



**Trainer:** The same handler should train the dog in class. Switching handlers can be confusing to a beginning dog. Be sure to teach all members in the family how to give the commands and to have the dog obey. Everyone must be consistent and learn to praise the dog.

**Clothing:** Wear comfortable clothing. Wear clothing that has pockets that are easily accessed . Wear shoes that have backs on them. No clogs or flip flops.

**Equipment:** A well fitted collar, prong training collar, or harness (puppies only), and a 4-6 foot lead are required to attend class. Retractable leashes are **NOT** allowed. We will exchange training collars as your pup grows if they are in good condition, clean, and purchased through us, an exchange fee may apply.

**Rewards & Treats:** Bring your dog's favorite treats to class. These will be used as training aids to help get your dog's attention, but YOU are the ultimate motivation factor. Come to class prepared to have fun with your dog.

**When and Where to Train at Home:** Choose a quiet area to work with your dog so that you can be the center of attention. Two short training sessions a day are better than one long one. Practice each day or at least five times a week.

In addition to setting aside "formal" or specific time to train your dog, start to incorporate it in your everyday life.

No smoking is allowed on property.  
Thank you!

#### **GROUP TRAINING CLASS POLICY**

It is the responsibility of each student to be on time and present for each class.

Make up classes are not available for missed classes; however, an abbreviated private lesson may be available at a prorated cost. Please contact us for details and current pricing information.

Rescheduling or Cancellations >7 days prior to start date: Original payments may be used as a credit to a future class or another service option.

Rescheduling or Cancellations <7 days prior to start date: Original payment is forfeited; new payment is required to reschedule.