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OBEDIENCE

WHAT IS DOG OBEDIENCE?

Obedience is teaching your dog to respond to certain sounds or signals, “queues for certain actions”. Dogs react to voice tones and words and learn from practice. A well trained dog is more acceptable to society and is a pleasure to have as a member of your family.

In training, we should try to make it fun for the dog, so active participation by the handler using fair and consistent training methods, is essential. This is where a club can be beneficial and will also provide the valuable socialisation your dog needs.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Why do obedience with your dog?

Dogs are “pack animals; obedience training teaches you how to be the leader of your pack. Joining a Dogs Qld affiliated obedience training Club is an inexpensive way to give your dog socialisation skills and to learn how to teach them the basics how to walk at heel without pulling, to sit, drop, stay & importantly, to come when called.

Are there any other benefits from training your dog?

Yes. Some councils give registration discounts for dogs trained to a basic level of obedience. You will need to contact your local council to find out what you need from your Club to qualify for the discount.

What breeds can do obedience?

All breeds including cross breeds.

Does it matter how old my dog is?

Whilst it is always better to start training your dog as a puppy when they are at their most impressionable, the old adage “you can not train an old dog new tricks” is a myth. Dogs of any age can be trained.

How young can I start training my dog?

Once your puppy has finished its course of vaccinations you can start training at your local obedience club. The club will want to sight your vaccination certificate.

MORE INFORMATION

Why go to an Obedience Club?

Obedience Clubs affiliated with Dogs Qld are community based not for profit organisations that are run completely by volunteers.

How do Obedience Clubs Train?

Obedience clubs affiliated with Dogs Qld promote the use of gentle training methods that do not cause distress to you or your dog. From puppy socialisation and basic training through to more advanced exercises, your instructor will teach you how to get the best from your dog by using encouragement, praise and reward. The result will be a happy, well behaved dog and a handler who is confident to take their dog out into the public environment.