



## Training Night Handout

All the instructors and staff at ODTc are volunteers. They are talented people who give of their time to help others. Please be kind and understand that many of us work at other “full-time” jobs all day.

All dogs are to remain on leash or crated unless in a training ring.

Dogs are to pee on ‘green’ – trees, grass, shrubs, only. Handlers are to pick up all the solid waste and dispose of in containers provided outside at the entrance to the building. Waste should be picked up in plastic bags and sealed before disposal.

Slip-chains/choke-chains are NOT allowed as a training collar in the Puppy Kindergarten, Older Puppy/Beginner and Versatility One classes. They may be used to safely escort a dog into and out of the building but are not to be used as a training collar in these classes. Rubber tipped prong collars, buckle collars, martingales, head-halters and Gentle Leaders are all acceptable collars for these classes.

Puppy Kindergarten & Beginner students are not required to bring a crate to class. These students will set up inside their training ring and will not have dogs outside in the crate area. ALL other students are required to bring a crate or ex-pen to class that will safely contain their dog at all times.

Students are cautioned to bring their crates, chairs, training bag, etc. into the building first and get set up prior to bringing in their dog. Be careful going through doorways and be sure to keep your dog’s focus on you during these times.

Students are asked to potty their dogs prior to class start time. Classes will begin and end promptly according to schedule to accommodate the next class. Please be courteous to others and arrive on time (10 minutes early) to begin your class. If you must be late, please take the time to potty your dog before you enter the building for class.

ODTC provides clean-up materials in the event of an accident. Please have the instructor or a family member hold your dog while you clean up the “oops”.

Barking dogs are annoying to other students. Please have a squirt bottle, breath spray, bark collar or an assistant to be sure your dog does not interfere in other folk’s training class time.

Dogs are not to be ‘gaited’ inside the building. Practice outdoors or wait your turn in the class ring.

Attendance will be taken for each class by the instructor. Please be sure that your instructor(s) has a current email address and phone number for you. In the event of an emergency class cancellation OR severe weather warning, each instructor will notify their students of the class change. Up to date information is also posted on our Facebook Page at Orlando Dog Training Club.

Advanced Students (V1, V2, Utility, Prep to Show, Rally) may purchase practice time at the registration desk. Practice hours are from 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm on Wednesday evenings. Cost is \$7.00 for non-members, \$5.00 for members for 15 minutes of ring time. Please be courteous when others are waiting. You may purchase additional time on slow nights or for additional dogs.

Rally students are expected to help set up, tear down and put away all Rally training equipment. Class is from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm to allow for this, Wednesday evenings.

We wish for everyone to have a safe and enjoyable training experience! Remember to be as kind to others as you are to your dog and to be patient with your dog!

If you wish to speak with an instructor and they are in the ring training their own dog, PLEASE DO NOT interrupt them. Wait until they are finished and have the opportunity to crate their dog before speaking with them. That allows them time to focus on their dog’s training.

Thank you for training with the Orlando Dog Training Club.

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