



Houston Obedience Training Dog Club, Inc.

Incorporated in 1965 in the State of Texas as a Nonprofit Organization

2400 Campbell Road, Unit H, Houston, TX 77080

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TRAINING CLASS REGISTRATION PACKET

The Houston Obedience Training Dog Club, Inc. (the HOT Dog Club) is a nonprofit organization incorporated in 1965. Our purpose is to improve the relationship between people and their dogs, to make dogs better companions and citizens, and to help people better understand their canine companions.

Complete class descriptions, pre-requisites, and the current training schedule may be found at www.hotdogclub.org. **You must pre-register for classes - walk-ups are NOT accepted. Your complete registration packet and payment must be received prior to the start date of your class** in order for you to receive notification that you have been accepted into the class. You may return your completed application by fax, mail or email and you may pay online with PayPal, **HOWEVER, YOUR REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL WE HAVE 3 THINGS:** 1) your signed application, 2) your payment and 3) a copy of your rabies certificate. Your registration will be confirmed by either phone or email prior to the class's start date, **but we cannot contact you if we don't have a copy of your application!**

This Training Class Packet includes important information about your upcoming class(es).

Training Information and Rules - *review and retain for future reference*

Class Pre-requisites and Discounts - *review and retain for future reference*

Registration Packet - *complete, sign & return pages 1 – 5*

- Application Form and Payment Information
- Waiver and Indemnification Form
- Dog Profile

Submit one packet per handler.

You may return your application by leaving it in the drop box at our building, mailing it to the address shown above, faxing it to **281-978-2242**, or scan and emailing it to **classes@hotdogclub.org**.

We are glad that you have decided to train with us at the HOT Dog Club, and look forward to working with you and your dog!

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TRAINING INFORMATION AND RULES

CLASSES:

- All classes run six-weeks and meet for approximately 50 minutes each week.
- All classes, with the exception of Tracking Class, are held at our training facility located at 2400 Campbell Road, Unit H. in Spring Branch. The building faces Enmora and is between Campbell and Blalock. A map is provided on our website.
- We teach you how to train your dog. We do not train your dog for you.
- We teach using positive training methods and reward the dog with treats for good behavior. Bring soft treats such as small pieces of cheese, boiled hot dogs, cooked chicken or other meat, or any commercial packaged treat. We also sell fresh, frozen dog food and non-grain treats.
- After class 1, the instructor reviews the prior lesson during the first part of the class. The new material follows.
- Our program is set up so that each week's assignment builds on the prior classes. For this reason, it is essential that the person who is training the dog attend all six classes.

DOGS:

- Puppies must be at least 10 to 20 weeks old and have a signed puppy waiver.
- All other dogs must be at least five months of age and have the appropriate shots including Rabies. Exceptions must be discussed with the training director.
- Bitches in season may attend class **only** if they wear bitch britches and they are not disruptive to other dogs.

HANDLERS/OWNERS:

- Handlers must be at least fourteen (14) years of age. **A parent or guardian must co-sign the registration form and accompany the handler during the weekly classes.**
- Wear comfortable clothing and lace-up shoes. No flip-flops, high heels or loose sandals.
- You are responsible for your own dog while you and your dog are on the HOT Dog Club's premises and its surroundings. This includes, but is not limited to, monitoring your dog, prohibiting your dog from approaching other dogs or becoming aggressive with or bothering other dogs.
- You should not attempt to touch or pet another dog.
- You are responsible for keeping your dog's vaccinations current.
- You are responsible for assuring that your dog does not engage in disruptive barking and noise making.
- You must insure that your dog is free of fleas, and other parasites and/or on a flea control program.
- You must not permit your dog to defecate or urinate in the building. If an accident happens, please clean up with paper towels and disinfectant spray that is provided. Repeat offenders or habitual markers will not be allowed back on the premises unless they are wearing a bellyband or bitch britches.

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HANDLERS/OWNERS (cont)

- Please use the designated outdoor area prior to class and at breaks. You must promptly clean up the outside area after your dog defecates. There are potty bags available inside by the front door and outside in the mailbox on the fence. Please dispose in the outdoor dumpster.
- No electric collars (E-collars) are allowed.
- If you must miss a week of class, contact your instructor, and he/she will send you the class lesson and answer questions.
- If your dog is ill, do not bring him/her to class. You should still attend class so that you can learn the lessons being taught, then practice at home with your dog before the next class. If your dog poses a health risk to other dogs or people, he/she is not allowed on the HOT Dog Club's premises until documentation is provided from the veterinarian that the dog is no longer a health threat.
- **Handlers who continually disregard any of the rules may be dismissed from their classes without any recourse, financial or otherwise.**

GUESTS:

- Guests and children are welcome to observe classes but must follow the directions of the instructor and all HOT Dog Club rules.

HOT's INSTRUCTORS:

- All of our instructors are certified by the HOT Dog Club, Inc. They must have titled their own dogs under AKC, CPE, UKC or other national or international guidelines. They must have been a member of HOT for a required amount of time and have assisted and provisioned classes under senior instructors prior to teaching any class.
- The HOT Dog Class curriculum has been developed over many years and includes positive training methods.
- Instructors have the discretion to remove a dog from class if he/she believes the dog poses a threat for the welfare of the dog, other dogs or people.

BASIC – 1 CLASS ONLY:

The first meeting of the BASIC-1 class includes equipment fitting and an orientation session that lasts approximately 30 minutes in addition to the regularly scheduled lesson of 50 minutes. Attendance at the orientation is mandatory. The person who will be training the dog must attend orientation to participate in the class. Any handlers not attending orientation will not be permitted to continue in the class. Bring your dog to orientation to obtain the proper size equipment which is included in the fee. Positive control collars are upgraded equipment and will be offered for sale.

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CLASS PRE-REQUISITES AND DISCOUNTS

A minimum of 4 of 6 classes must be attended in order to graduate. With the exception of Puppy & Agility 1, all classes **must be repeated** until the goals of the class can be passed and their instructor recommends advancement to the next level.

- Puppy and Tracking - Less than 6 months old with signature from student on Puppy Waiver affirming that he has discussed the group class with his vet.
- Dogs that enter all classes beyond puppy must be 6 months old or Training Director and instructor must agree on class placement.
- If a student (member or non-member) wants to opt-out of a pre-requisite class, the dog and handler team must “run a pattern” as described in the course details. The Training director and current class instructor shall determine proficiency. If either is unavailable, another instructor shall substitute. At least two instructors shall determine proficiency with approval from the Training Director.
- HOT offers discounts to students who take more than one class with the same dog or trains multiple dogs in HOT’s classes.
Discounts will be taken on the lower price class.

CLASS LEVEL	PRE-REQUISITE	COST	AVAILABLE DISCOUNTS
Puppy	None, but owner must sign Puppy Waiver	\$100	\$6 for handlers with an additional dog in another class or same dog in a different class.
Basic 1	No class pre-requisites	\$140	Can be repeated 1 time with same dog for \$100, if there is space in class. Second handler from the same family can take class for \$100 with an additional dog.
Basic 2	Basic 1	\$110	Can be repeated 1 time with same dog for \$100
Canine Good Citizen <i>(2-week class & test)</i>	Basic-2	\$65	\$45 for handlers with an additional dog in another class or same dog in a different class.
Trick Dog (3-weeks, 2 hrs)	Basic 2	\$65	same as above
Competition Skills	Basic-2	\$100	same as above
Beginner Novice	Competition Skills	\$100	same as above
Novice	Competition Skills	\$100	same as above
Show Prep (any level)	Novice	\$100	same as above
Adv. Competition Skills	Novice	\$100	same as above
Graduate Novice	Novice	\$100	same as above
Open/Utility	Pre-Open	\$100	same as above
Rally 1	Competition Skills	\$100	same as above
Rally Skills	Rally 1 & Novice class	\$100	same as above
Rally 2	Rally Skills & Novice class	\$100	same as above
Rally 3	Rally 2	\$100	same as above
Rally Novice Courses	Rally 1	\$65	\$45 for second dog, same handler in courses.
Rally Adv/Ex Courses	Rally 2 or Rally Skills	\$65	same as above
Intro to Tracking	None, 3 months or older	\$140	\$100 for handlers with an additional dog in another class or same dog in a different class. Audit slots (no dog) \$100.
Agility Fundamentals	Competition Skills, must be 9 months old	\$110	Second handler from the same family can take class for \$100 with an additional dog.
Agility 1	Agility Fundamentals, must be 10-12 months old (depending on size)	\$110	same as above
Agility 2	Agility1	\$100	\$65 for handlers with an additional dog in another class or same dog in a different class.
Agility 3	Agility 2	\$100	same as above
Agility 4	Agility 3	\$100	same as above
CPE Games	Agility 4	\$100	\$ for handlers with an additional dog in another class or same dog in a different class. A limited number of audit slots (without a dog) may be available for \$65.
Agility Pre-Novice	Agility 4	\$80	\$ for handlers with an additional dog in another class or same dog in a different class.
Agility Novice	Agility Pre-Novice	\$80	same as above
Agility Open	Ag Nov class or Stnd. Nov title	\$80	same as above
Agility Excellent	Ag Open class or Stnd Op title	\$80	same as above

With prior approval from the Training Director and instructor, handlers who take Advanced Classes (as listed below) may work a second dog of their own in the same class for no additional cost, provided one dog attends the first half of the class and the second dog attends the second half of the class. Only one dog may be in the ring at a time. The other dog must be crated outside the ring. The class shall not wait for a dog switch. Both dogs must be included on registration form.

Classes that qualify are **Obedience:** Competition Skills, Beg. Novice, Novice, Grad Nov, Adv Competition Skills, Open, Utility or Show Prep. **Rally:** Rally 2 or 3, Rally Skills, Rally Novice Courses or Adv/Excellent Courses. **Agility:** Novice, Open or Excellent.

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Owner's Name: _____ Age _____ Occupation _____

E-mail Address: _____ (phone) _____

Mailing Address _____

Handler's name: _____ Age: _____ Occupation _____

Has this Handler ever trained a dog before? _____ (Y/N) If yes, where and when: _____

<p><u>Obedience Classes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Puppy - \$100 • Basic, Level 1 - \$140 • Basic, Level 2 - \$110 • Canine Good Citizen - \$65 • Trick Dog - \$65 • Competition Skills - \$100 • Beginner Novice - \$100 • Novice - \$100 • Adv. Competition Skills - \$100 • Graduate Novice - \$100 • Open or Utility - \$100 • Show Prep (any level) - \$100 	<p><u>Rally Classes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rally, Level 1, 2 or 3- \$100 • Rally Skills - \$100 • Rally Courses - \$65 Novice or Adv/Excellent <p><u>Agility Classes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agility Fundamentals - \$110 • Agility 1 - \$110 • Agility 2, 3 or 4 - \$100 • CPE Games - \$100; Audit - \$65 • Agility Pre-Novice, Novice, Open or Excellent - \$80 	<p><u>Tracking Classes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intro to Tracking - \$140; Audit \$100 <p><u>Discounts offered:</u> <i>restrictions apply -- see prerequisites</i></p> <p>For repeat of Basic 1 or 2 - \$100 For student taking more than one class during a session or for addl. dog or handler from family:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all \$110⁺ classes -- \$100 • all \$100 classes -- \$65 • all \$80 classes -- \$65 • all \$65 classes -- \$45
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Please register for the classes and dates (per www.hotdogclub.org calendar) per dog

1. Dog's Name _____ **Breed** _____

Class Name (1) _____ Day of week _____ Date _____ Amt \$ _____

Class Name (2) _____ Day of week _____ Date _____ Amt \$ _____

2. Dog's Name _____ **Breed** _____

Class Name (1) _____ Day of week _____ Date _____ Amt \$ _____

Class Name (2) _____ Day of week _____ Date _____ Amt \$ _____

Total Amount \$ _____

*Reduced class rates are for immediate family members of students who take a dog to a class **in the same month**. Immediate family members are spouse, child, brother/sister, mother/father living in same house.

The scheduled starting date of a class is subject to delay if minimum enrollment is not met. Enrollment will close when classes are filled or one day prior to the start of class, whichever comes first.

Payment made via: Cash Check PayPal

1. Make check out to HOT Dog Club or
2. Pay via the PayPal buttons on our Classes page or go to www.paypal.com & sign in. Under "Send Money", recipient is paypal@hotdogclub.org. Subject is the Class name (ie. Basic-1, Agility-2, etc.) If you do not have a Paypal account, click on "Sign Up" & follow the instructions. There are no fees.
3. Mail or drop off to HOT at: 2400 Campbell Rd., Unit H, Houston, TX 77080

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REFUND POLICY

No refunds will be made after the first class is completed. If for some reason a student is not able to complete his/her scheduled class, a transfer certificate will be provided for a slot in a future class. One transfer per student.

Houston Obedience Training Dog Club, Inc. does not allow aggressive or vicious dogs in its classes. Dogs who are potentially dangerous to other people and/or dogs will be dismissed from class and, at the owner's request, referred to a private canine behavior modification program.

In the case of dismissal, NO REFUND WILL BE GIVEN, and the dismissed dog may not enroll in any future HOT Dog Club class until the owner can provide proof that a behavior modification program has been successfully completed.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AGREEMENT

I have read the entire Training Packet – including the no-refund policy and the Training Information and Rules provided in the packet – and understand all terms and conditions contained within this Training Packet.

By my signature below, I accept all terms and conditions contained within this Training Packet and agree to comply with all the rules, requirements, and information.

Dog's Owner _____ Date _____
(Parent or guardian should sign for handler under 18 yrs old)

Handler _____ Date _____
(If other than owner)

Junior Handlers must be 14 or older to train a dog in class. A parent or guardian must co-sign the registration form and accompany the handler during the weekly classes.

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WAIVER AND INDEMNIFICATION

I, _____, waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the HOUSTON OBEDIENCE TRAINING DOG CLUB, INC., its officers, directors, members, agents, and any other individuals or organizations acting on its behalf, associated with, assisting with, or affiliated with the HOUSTON OBEDIENCE TRAINING DOG CLUB, INC. (collectively the "HOT Dog Club") for any and all injuries, claims, causes of action, damages, costs, liabilities, or any other obligations arising from, related to, or alleged to arise from or relate to my participation in, observation of, or assistance with any dog training, facility rentals, dog related events, and/or any other events. These include, *inter alia*, property damage, personal injury, injury to my dog(s), or any other injury or loss, whether due to negligence, oversight, or any other cause by the HOT Dog Club or by another participant, participant's dog(s), observer, or observer's dog(s). This Waiver and Indemnification applies to the HOT Dog Club's training facility and its surroundings as well as the HOT Dog Club's events at other locations and the surroundings of those locations. I also assume all risks and hazards associated with or incidental to participating, observing, assisting, or any other form of interaction at, *inter alia*, the HOT Dog Club facility, other facilities being used by the HOT Dog Club, training classes, or event(s), including but not limited to, those claims or alleged claims described above.

I understand that I am responsible for any injuries or claims arising from or caused by, or alleged to arise from or be caused by, me or by my dog. This responsibility includes, but is not limited to, financial responsibility. I further agree to indemnify the HOT Dog Club from any injuries, claims, causes of action, damages, costs, liabilities, or any other obligations arising from, or alleged to arise from, my action or inaction or from the action of my dog.

This Waiver and Indemnification applies to myself and to my dog(s).

I have read, understand, and agree to accept the conditions set forth in this Waiver and Indemnification detailed above.

SIGNATURE

____/____/_____
DATE

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1. Owner's Name: _____
2. Dog's Call Name: _____ Neutered/Spayed (Y or N): _____
3. Breed: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____
4. Dog's Age: _____ Date of Birth: __/__/__ Height: _____ Weight: _____
5. Age Dog Obtained: _____ How long have you owned the dog? _____
6. Are you the primary owner of the dog? If not, what is your relationship to this dog?

7. Where did you obtain the dog?
 Breeder Pet Store Ad in paper Friend or Relative Stray
 Breed Rescue Shelter Other: Explain _____
8. Does the dog have any health problems? _____ (Y/N) If yes, please describe them.

9. Is the dog on any medications? What and Why? _____
10. Where is the dog kept when you are away from the house?
 in house loose in house crated in fenced yard tied up outside at a kennel
 Other: Explain _____
11. Where is the dog kept at night?
 in house loose in house crated in fenced yard tied up outside
 in bed with family member Other: Explain _____
12. Do you have other pets? _____ (Y/N) If yes, how many/what kind? _____

13. How many adults are in household? _____ How many children are in the household? _____
14. What is the dog fed? _____ How many times a day? _____
15. How many times is the dog groomed? _____ By whom? _____
16. Has the dog ever been in a fight with another dog? If so, please describe the event and circumstances.

17. Has the dog ever bitten anyone? If so, please describe the event and circumstances.

18. How does the dog react to riding in a car?

19. How does the dog react to being left alone? _____

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20. How would you describe the dog's personality? Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly | <input type="checkbox"/> Shy | <input type="checkbox"/> Fearful | <input type="checkbox"/> Happy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive | <input type="checkbox"/> Playful | <input type="checkbox"/> Nervous | <input type="checkbox"/> Bored |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hyperactive | <input type="checkbox"/> Loud | <input type="checkbox"/> Annoying | <input type="checkbox"/> Calm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jealous | <input type="checkbox"/> Submissive | <input type="checkbox"/> Territorial | <input type="checkbox"/> Finicky |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indifferent | <input type="checkbox"/> Dominant | <input type="checkbox"/> Extroverted | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependent |

21. What bad habits does your dog have? Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Barks/howls | <input type="checkbox"/> Digs | <input type="checkbox"/> Chews | <input type="checkbox"/> Growls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Runs away | <input type="checkbox"/> Jumps up | <input type="checkbox"/> Gets in trash | <input type="checkbox"/> Chases things |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bites/mouths | <input type="checkbox"/> Soils house | <input type="checkbox"/> Pulls leash | <input type="checkbox"/> Unruly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive to dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive to people | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |
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22. Has the dog had prior training? When & Where? _____

23. Have you trained another dog? ____ Y/N What breed of dog? _____ When? __/__/__
Any titles earned? _____

24. List activities enjoyed by you and your dog: _____

25. List titles earned by this dog: _____

26. List future goals you have for yourself and your dog. _____

27. How did you hear about HOT Dog Club?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> HOT Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Referral | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |