

**WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND
AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS**

I understand that attendance of a dog obedience training class is not without risk to me, members of my family or guests who may attend, or my dog, because some of the dogs to which I (we) will be exposed may be difficult to control and may be the cause of injury even when handled with the greatest amount of care.

I hereby waive and release Pender Veterinary Centre, Ltd., its employees, owners and agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer, including specifically, but not limited to, any injury or damage resulting from the action of any dog, and I expressly assume the risk of any such damage or injury while attending any training session or other function of the clinic, or while on the clinic property or the surrounding area thereto.

In consideration of and as inducement to the acceptance of my application for training membership in this obedience training class, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless Pender Veterinary Centre, Ltd., its employees, owners and agents from any and all claims, or claims by any member of my family or any other person accompanying me to any training session or function of the clinic or while on the ground or the surrounding area thereto as a result of any action by any dog, including my own.

Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent

Date

MEET THE INSTRUCTOR

Michelle Jackson has been training dogs for more than 13 years. She has instructed in multiple levels of obedience and agility with the non-profit organization Dulles Gateway Obedience Training Club. She has also held various positions within the organization, including President and Training Director. Michelle has earned two breed championships in the conformation ring, agility titles, and obedience titles in both AKC and UKC. She earned the first agility title with a Komondor in the United States and earned the UDX obedience title with her Standard Poodle, Chaucer.

Michelle's training philosophy is that there are many ways to train a dog—whatever method works for the owner is the right one. Michelle will offer suggestions and demonstrate her favorite training methods, but she believes that the owner should not do anything with which they are not comfortable. As part of her training process, Michelle uses both positive training and gentle correction. The learning phase is positive, and the practicing phase involves corrections. Michelle will recommend training with food as the dog begins training, especially on the first night of class, but other methods of reward include vocal praise, toys, and petting.



Obedience Classes at Pender!

Indoor Classes

Puppy Kindergarten

Age: 9 weeks to 4 1/2 months
Length: 6 weeks @ 1 hour
Cost: \$150.00

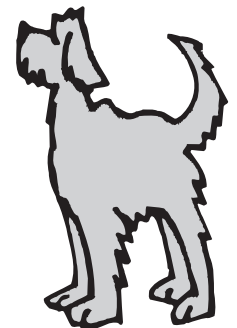
Basic Obedience

Age: 4 1/2 months & older with no prior training
Length: 8 weeks @ 1 hour
Cost: \$175.00

Classes are held at Pender Veterinary Centre, Ltd.,
4001 Legato Road, Fairfax, VA, in our second-floor
training room. For more information, please contact
Lori Ankers by voice mail at (703) 654-3114.



Your instructor will recommend
equipment at the first class.



Class Registration Form

Owner's Name _____

Class: Puppy Kindergarten Basic *(please circle one)*

Class Date _____ Class Time _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Dog's Name _____ Sex _____

Breed _____ Spayed/Neutered _____

Date of Birth _____

The following vaccinations are required:

DHLPP Date Given _____

Rabies Date Given _____

Bordetella Date Given _____

TO REGISTER for a class, complete this form, sign the back, and detach it from the information sheet. Please attach your check, payable to Pender Veterinary Centre, Ltd., and mail this form to the hospital at 4001 Legato Road, Fairfax, VA 22033, or drop it off at the clinic during business hours.
Please feel free to contact Lori Ankers by voice mail at (703) 654-3114, for more information. Your prompt return of this form will ensure you a place in the class of your choice.

Like humans, the more dogs are taught, the more they will learn. After one eight-week course of obedience, you will experience a dramatic transformation in your relationship with your dog. To ensure that this change becomes a permanent part of your life and your dog's life, you must continue to build on the foundation you have laid.

In the **Puppy Kindergarten** class, you will examine the emotional development of the dog and establishment of the human-canine bond. This class will cover important topics including housebreak-ing, crate training, chewing and mouthing, and grooming. You will learn how to assist your puppy's development into a calm, confident dog who can be handled comfortably by you, the groomer and the vet. You will also learn how to begin teaching your puppy basic commands, including *heel, sit, down, stand, stay, come* and *off*.

In the **Basic** obedience class, you will learn how to teach your dog basic commands, including *heel, sit, down, stay, come* and *stand*. You and your dog will learn how to walk comfortably through crowds, and how to encounter human and canine strangers. Your dog will also learn to be handled comfortably by you, as well as by groomers and vets. This class is also recommended for Puppy Kindergarten graduates.

Preregistration is required for all classes. Please use the form on page 3 of this flyer.