

# The Importance of Training Your Dog

If having a dog was easy, everyone would have one. Just because it is not easy does not mean it cannot be fun. What can make things easier and fun is training. The impact training has on a family and the relationship with their dog is significant. Both the dog and the family are happy because we can communicate and help guide them to success.

As a professional trainer for the past 11 years I have been given an opportunity to show a multitude of families what training can do for them and their dogs. Training is not just about doing commands such as sit, down, and stay. It is a time in which you learn about how your dog works and what works best for the two of you in order to come to the end goal; an obedient dog who enjoys being with their family. Most of all you will have a fun dog you can love, understand, and enjoy without being bitten upon, jumped on, and scratched up by. Unless you like those behaviors then that's your decision. Training can also help in decreasing issues such as anxiety, stress, nuisances barking, potty training, running away, digging, and the list can go on.

I have been working for Canine Counselor now for 5 years and have helped many families, like Lucy and the Dietz family. It has been a pleasure of mine watching the growth of such wonderful relationships. I continue to urge people if they have never done a formal dog training class, they should at least do one. I may not be a father yet, but I do know when that time comes I will take at least one formal basic parenting class. I want to have some understanding of what I am getting myself into. What better than to get it from a professional.

Dog training is not just about sit, down, and stay. It's about learning what your dog's likes and dislikes are, to understand boundaries and restrictions, and to be able to communicate effectively and humanely to your companion. Do you want to be able to take a shower or nap in peace or do you prefer your dog shadowing you everywhere you go? Do you want your dog to stop crying at you while you eat, always making you feel guilty that you might not have fed them enough? Do you want to have guest come over and not fear that your dog might make a mess or accidentally hurt someone? These are the things training can help you solve. If you do not understand how to reach your goal on your own, there is nothing wrong with calling professional help from local trainer or training company.

My name is Kie de Boehmler I have been a dog trainer for 11 years. I officially work for Canine Counselor in Miami, Florida. If you are looking for any advice or even a free in-house evaluation give our office a call: 305-264-0027. Have a wonderful day!

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