

# Packerland Kennel Club

## Training Rules & Regulations

### Training Regulations

1. Family training fee includes husband, wife, and all children under the age of 18, excluding married children. Dog training for children under 12 years of age is strictly up to the discretion of the Class Instructor. Parents and/or guardians will be held responsible for their children and must be in attendance.
2. Training fees are as follows: Initial Session: \$75.00; Additional dog from same household: \$25.00  
Additional classes: \$25.00 per dog per class in each session  
Subsequent sessions in same calendar year: \$65.00; Additional dog and class fees remain \$25.00  
(There will be a \$25.00 fee for checks returned NSF)
3. A certificate from your veterinarian verifying your puppy has been vaccinated for Distemper and Rabies (for dogs over 20 weeks of age) should be presented with your Training Application form BEFORE entering the first class. You must also present a veterinarian certificate of dog's clean stool no longer than 30 days old or proof of being under treatment. Dogs will not be allowed on the training grounds after the first training class if the above verification certificate has not been received and documented. Dogs should not be brought to class if suffering from any parasite – i.e. mites, lice, fleas, etc. If the class instructor believes a dog is carrying a parasite, the dog owner will be asked to furnish veterinary proof of treatment and/or is non-communicative. The trainee is welcome to observe the class until the dog can be brought back to class.
4. Packerland Kennel Club will not be liable for any accident and/or damages incurred by any individual and/or dog participating in any of the training programs or brought on the Packerland Kennel Club grounds for any reason.
5. If a situation should occur that prevents you from continuing the training during a class session, a refund may be granted after Board review on a case-by-case basis.

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1. Classes will begin at the scheduled time.
2. All dogs brought into the training classes must be in good health.
3. Directions of the Instructors must be followed.
4. Children of trainees must be able to follow directions to train a dog in class. Younger children are permitted to train strictly at the discretion of the Class Instructor AND a parent or guardian **must be in attendance**. If the child does not demonstrate the ability to control and train the dog, the child and dog will be dismissed from the class. Another older family member may take over training. The decision to dismiss a trainee or dog is strictly up to the discretion of the instructor.
5. Disorderly conduct and/or failure to follow the training regulations and rules will result in immediate expulsion, and prohibit the trainee and their family members from participation in any future Packerland Kennel Club training classes. **Training fees will not be refunded.**
6. **Female dogs in season are not permitted on the training grounds.** However, they will be allowed to compete at graduation after the other dogs have participated. If your dog comes in season during the training session, you should continue coming to class without your dog and work with your dog at home. Female dogs in season working in conformation are allowed in the building during their class time provided they wear pants at all times.
7. You **MUST** clean up after your dog. Trainees are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs, both inside and outside the building. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from class for the session.
8. Dogs must be on-leash at all times unless otherwise permitted by Instructors. Dogs should not be allowed to sniff other dogs or people.
9. Collars and leashes used in the training classes must be approved by the Instructor.
10. Packerland Kennel Club volunteer instructors do not have the expertise nor time to devote to dogs that are aggressive to people and/or other dogs in our classes. If your dog is aggressive toward people or other dogs,

the class instructor will speak with you concerning alternatives to the training class. The dismissal from class is solely the discretion of the class instructor.

## **TRAINEE INFORMATION**

Welcome to Packerland Kennel Club! We offer obedience, rally, conformation, agility, and nose work training for both purebred and mixed breed dogs. A trained dog is happier, more confident, welcomed in more places, and allowed more freedom than its untrained cousin. You will find that a trained dog is a pleasure to live with and a valuable member of your family. Congratulations on taking this first step in helping your dog to become a socialized, well adjusted, and well-behaved companion!

### **Information from the Trainee Orientation meeting:**

- ✓ Please use the back door to enter and leave the building with your dog.
- ✓ Please allow your dog ample opportunity to eliminate before coming in the building.
- ✓ Please clean up after your dog when it eliminates outdoors. Scoopers, bags, and a covered garbage can for deposits are available for your use. Help keep our grounds clean.
- ✓ Please clean up after your dog when it eliminates inside the building by using the paper toweling and cleaner provided. Solid fecal waste goes in the garbage can outside the building to keep the indoors free from odors.
- ✓ Dogs must be kept on-leash both in and out of the building unless otherwise specified by the class Instructor during a class. This is for your dog's safety and the safety of others.
- ✓ Anyone holding or restraining a dog should be old enough and strong enough to have control of the dog. Please do not allow children to hold dogs unless they can control them in any situation.
- ✓ Do not allow your dog to sniff, nose, or bother other dogs and people. Some dogs do not like to be bothered by other dogs or puppies. Your dog is now in school and we do not have recess! This is an opportunity for you to arrange play dates with other appropriate dogs, if you would choose to do so, but there is no playtime in the building.
- ✓ Packerland Kennel Club does not allow aggressive dogs in our classes for your safety. Please review the training rules provided at Orientation.
- ✓ You may use the large fenced dog yard behind the building at the invitation of a member. Unlimited use of this fenced yard is a privilege of Club Membership. If you use this area, please clean up after your dog.
- ✓ Human restrooms are located in the foyer by the front door.
- ✓ Soda and water are available from the soda machine located in the kitchen at a cost of \$.75 each.
- ✓ Please turn cell phones off or on vibrate when on the floor. Leave the floor to use the phone.
- ✓ Please wear appropriate footwear in class. **No flip flops or unsecured sandals.**
- ✓ Remember to bring treats for training your dog each week!

### **Equipment:**

- Puppies in the Puppy Socialization class need to wear a flat, buckle collar. No slip collars (choke chains), pinch collars, or other collars unless approved by the Instructors. Bring treats and a toy or chew for your puppy each week.
- Most types of collars, harnesses, and Gentle Leader/Halti may be used in other classes. The types of collars and leashes is strictly up to the Class Instructor. Please follow his/her direction. Electronic/remote training collars are not allowed in our classes. If you have a question about the type of collar suited for your dog, please ask an Instructor.
- Collars and equipment need to be the correct size and well-fitted for the individual dog.
- A six-foot leather or cotton web leash with a snap on one end and loop handle on the other is recommended for all classes. No chain leashes are allowed in the classes. No Flexi-leads (retractable leads) will be allowed to be used in the building or in any class unless requested by the Instructor.
- We sell slip collars, martingale collars, pinch collars, leather leashes, English slip leads, and dumbbells at cost. Please ask your Instructor to fit your dog with the correct size.

**Information Center:** Our Information Center is located at the front of the building. Here you will find new class schedules, meeting dates, monthly calendars, copies of the Paw Print newsletter, information about dogs and dog sports, and other Club announcements. Please check the Information Center at least once a month to keep up to date on Club happenings and events.

**PKC Website:** Check the Website for updated information, schedule changes, cancellations, and new classes or opportunities. [www.packerlandkennelclub.com](http://www.packerlandkennelclub.com)

**Participating in Classes:** You are asked to “sign up” for your first class when you complete your Trainee Application at Orientation. In the future, you will be asked to sign up for your next class at the time of your evaluation from the current class. You will select your next class based on your dog’s progress, your comfort level, and a recommendation from your class Instructor. This sign-up procedure allows us to balance and regulate our class size and schedule Instructors’ time. Class sign-up sheets are in the front of the building on the wall directly before the foyer. (The exception is our limited enrollment classes. These classes are limited to a specific number of dog/handler teams and are on a first-come, first-serve sign-up basis. These sign-up sheets are posted with the limited number of spaces.)

### **How to become a Member:**

Trainees are encouraged to apply for Packerland Kennel Club membership.

- Attend two monthly business meetings during your Trainee calendar year (make sure you sign in on the attendance clipboard when you attend each meeting). Keep track of the meeting dates you attend as this information must be supplied on the membership application form.
- Complete a Membership Application form (available from your Instructor)
- Procure sponsorship signatures from two PKC members in good standing
- Pay the annual membership dues.

Benefits of Club membership:

- Eligibility to vote on Club Business
- Club publication emailed to you
- Unlimited use of the Club’s fenced exercise area
- Full training privileges at substantially reduced cost
- Participation in Outreach and community activities

### **Class Cancellation Policy:**

If the Green Bay Public Schools are cancelled (or close early) due to severe weather or a weather emergency, all classes, meetings, and events at Packerland Kennel Club will be cancelled. Please use your judgment if there is inclement weather. Classes may also be cancelled due to conflict with Club events.

**We are glad you are here and look forward to working with you and your dog. Please feel free to ask your Instructor or any of our members if you have any question.**

**Remember, if you are happy with us; tell others. If you are not, tell us so we can improve!**