



Contact Point

AGILITY

General Information

If training your dog to leap over hurdles, crawl through tunnels, traverse a see-saw, scale an A-Frame, walk a plank suspended four feet above the ground, and weave through a line of poles like a snake sounds exciting... Then Dog Agility may be just for you!

Nearly all dogs – mixed and purebred alike – can enjoy agility. Dog agility combines a fast paced, athletic challenge with strategy and teamwork. It's a great way to build your dog's confidence, improve its physical condition, and spend quality time together.

Whether it's for fun or competition there's a class to fit your schedule.

Agility classes offered for all levels depending on the abilities of the dog and handler. Visitors are welcome to schedule an appointment to drop in & watch agility training in action. Call for current training schedule and directions.

For additional information, visit our web site at www.dogagility.net or call Contact Point Agility at (805) 524-7900 or email AgilityTrainer@aol.com

Agility Class Fee Structure:

Credit card payments can be made through PayPal.com

- ALL NEW Beginning students must take the first session of 5 lessons for \$100. If you decide to continue then you will roll over into the monthly lesson plan.
- \$20 per class IF paid in advance for the entire month. Classes cancelled due to bad weather or holidays are not counted. The \$20 per class rate is a discount rate for monthly students.
- Monthly class payments are due the last class of the preceding month or when your 5-week session ends if you would like to continue.
- Class fee is \$23 per class for drop-in's. If you haven't paid for the full month of classes you are doing drop in classes. If you'd like to drop in on a class please contact the office or clear it with the trainer that is teaching the class.

Contact Point Agility Make up class policy:

The make up classes are offered as a courtesy to our students and we do not guarantee the availability of classes for make ups. Availability is determined by class level and sizes. You must let us know that you will be absent in advance to qualify for a make up class. Credit to future classes is not available.

PLEASE CHECK THE ONLINE CALENDAR FOR INFO ON CLASS SCHEDULES IN THE EVENT OF BAD WEATHER OR HOLIDAYS. THE CALENDAR WILL BE UPDATED 2 HOURS BEFORE CLASS TO REFLECT ANY WEATHER CANCELLATIONS. PLEASE CHECK BEFORE YOU LEAVE FOR ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES.

What happens if the weather is bad?

If classes are unable to be held then Contact Point Agility notes it in the attendance roster and you will not be charged for that cancelled class. Be sure to check the online calendar to confirm that class has been cancelled.



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First Class Information

Things to bring:

- 4-6 foot leash
- Flat buckle type collar
- Water for your dog
- Water or soda for yourself
- Your dog's favorite treats. No crumbly treats, it stops the class dead!
(Recommend: soft type treats such as hot dog, string cheese, dry liver, Bil-Jac, etc., and toys)
- A hungry dog (Recommend: Do not feed your dog their evening meal; it's easier to keep them focused if they are a bit hungry)

If you have not mailed them in, please bring:

- Completed and signed the Class Application and Liability Form
- Cash, check or money order made payable to Contact Point Agility LLC for \$100.00

We believe that agility should be fun for both the dog and the handler and strive to make sure that each step of training is fun. When you arrive at the training site, if another class is in session please remain outside the training area and keep your dog on leash. Please **DO NOT** allow your dog on any of the equipment until your instructor has given you permission.

Your instructor(s) looks forward to meeting you and your canine companion. If you have any questions, please call and we will be happy to clarify any information.

Frequently Asked Questions

Does my dog need obedience to start agility classes?

While basic obedience is helpful for Beginner Agility it isn't really needed until the intermediate and advanced level agility classes. Contact Point Agility does not require formal obedience classes to start agility classes. Entry level classes are worked with the dogs on leash to help keep the dogs focused.

How old must my puppy be to start agility?

Contact Point Agility allows puppies as young as six months old to start agility training.

Can my child work our dog in class?

Contact Point Agility welcomes junior handlers as long as a parent remains in the training area.

How long before we're ready to compete?

On average, most dogs and handlers need at least six months before they are ready to get their feet wet at agility show-n-go's and matches. These events carry no titles, awards or prizes but are a great warm up before actual competition. Contact Point Agility Instructors have found that teaching the dog the agility obstacles is the easy part. The really tough part of agility training is teaching the handler how to communicate the signals in a timely fashion. As with most things there are exceptions to every general rule of thumb. Some dog/handler teams are not ready nearly that soon and others are ready then or sooner.

How can I tell if my dog will like agility?

Because Contact Point Agility starts all of its students on equipment that is low and safe we can spend most of our time having fun with our dogs. Training methods built on positive reinforcements mean that the dog has lots of opportunities to earn rewards such as toys and treats. Why wouldn't they like agility! New students are also encouraged to visit classes first and watch our training in action.

Can both my husband and I work our dog in a class?

This really depends on the dog. Some dogs are more responsive to one spouse than the other. If this is the case, then it can be frustrating for both the dog and the handler to maintain focus in the training. If your dog is equally responsive to each of you, then switching back and forth isn't a problem. Keep in mind though that you will only be given the working opportunities for one dog, not two persons.

My dog is six years old. Is that too old for agility?

It is almost never too late to start training one's dog. However, commonsense tells us that if our dog has health problems then care must be taken to assure that the dog is not pushed beyond its limits. The older the dog, the more care we must take in maintaining their good health. Please talk with an instructor about any health concerns that you may have for either you or your dog.



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Contact Point Agility LLC - Student Application

CLASS START DATE: _____ DAY & TIME: _____ LOCATION: _____

Return this completed form along with the signed Liability Waiver and check (payable to Contact Point Agility LLC)
Mail to: Contact Point Agility LLC, P.O. Box 1044, Fillmore, CA 93016

Handler's Name: _____ Age (if minor): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ Fax Number: _____

Dog's Name: _____ Breed: _____ Dog's Age: _____

Has you or your dog had any agility training or experience? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, please describe: _____

How did you hear of Contact Point Agility classes? _____

It is highly recommended that your dog be current with its kennel cough vaccination.

My dog had the following vaccinations: (Please indicate date of last vaccination)

Distemper: _____ Corona: _____ Parvo: _____ Hepatitis: _____ Leptospirosis: _____

Rabies: _____ Bordetella: _____

Attitude toward strangers - Hands-on and approaching from behind. **No aggressive dogs are allowed:**

Lick them to death _____ Reserved _____ Shy _____ May bite _____ Will bite _____

Attitude toward other dogs. **No aggressive dogs are allowed:**

Lick them to death _____ Reserved _____ Shy _____ May bite _____ Will bite _____



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Liability Waiver and Assumption of Risk and Agreement to Hold Harmless

I, the undersigned individual wish to participate in dog agility training activities at 17554 Community Street, Northridge, CA 91325 and/or 2492 Grand Ave., Fillmore, CA 93015 ("Activities").

I understand that I will only be allowed to participate on the terms set forth below. I understand that if I do not comply with these requirements, I may be prohibited from further participation in the Activities.

1. I acknowledge that I and my dog are physically able to participate in the Activities and voluntarily agree to do so at my own risk. I will conduct myself in a safe manner at all times, and will follow all reasonable instructions. I will exercise sufficient control over my dog, including keeping it on leash or in a crate when it is not actively engaged in agility activities. I understand that I am ultimately responsible for my own and my dog's safety; if I question the safety of a particular activity, I will not engage in the same, even if directed by the instructor.

2. I know that risks and dangers may occur during the Activities including, but not limited to, personal injury and property damages. I further understand that I and my dog will be exposed to conditions over which others have little or no control, including but not limited to injury or damage resulting from the action of another dog, and that there is an inherent danger in participating in the Activities.

3. I, on behalf of myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, do hereby agree to assume all of the risks of such participation, and will hold harmless Contact Point Agility LLC, Grand K9 Ranch LLC, its instructors, members and guests, and Lisa A. Runquist, her heirs, executors, successors and assigns, Karen Moureaux, her heirs, executors, successors and assigns as well as other persons not specifically named who have participated in the Activities, from any and all liability of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise out of or in connection with participation in the Activities. I also agree to indemnify these parties from any and all claims made by any member of my family or any guest that may accompany me while on the training grounds or surrounding area thereto, as a result of any action by any dog, including my own.

4. I HEREBY VOLUNTARILY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, WAIVE AND RELINQUISH ANY AND ALL ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH WHICH MAY BE SUSTAINED BY ME AND/OR MY DOG AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENTAL THERETO, AND I DO FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS, RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND RELINQUISH ANY ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION WHICH MAY HEREAFTER ARISE FOR MYSELF AND FOR MY ESTATE, AND AGREE THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL I OR MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS OR ASSIGNS PRESENT ANY CLAIM FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ANY OF THE INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES DESCRIBED ABOVE.

This agreement is the entire agreement of the parties and cannot be modified by word or conduct of any party. If any provision is found to be invalid, all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect. By signing, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the entire document and that I agree to the contents of the entire document.

Printed Name of Person signing: _____

Signed on _____, 2012 at _____, California.

Signature: _____



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Liability Waiver and Assumption of Risk and Agreement to Hold Harmless

I, the undersigned individual, for myself, and/or as parent or guardian of the minor child listed below, wish to participate and to have my minor child participate in dog agility training activities at 17554 Community Street, Northridge, CA 91325 and/or 2492 Grand Ave., Fillmore, CA 93015 ("Activities").

I understand that we will only be allowed to participate on the terms set forth below. I understand that if we do not comply with these requirements, we may be prohibited from further participation in the Activities.

1. I acknowledge that I, my child, and my dog are physically able to participate in the Activities and voluntarily agree to do so at our own risk. We will conduct ourselves in a safe manner at all times, and will follow all reasonable instructions. I will exercise sufficient control over my dog, including keeping it on leash or in a crate when it is not actively engaged in agility activities, and will provide sufficient supervision of my child to ensure safe behavior on the part of my child. I understand that I am ultimately responsible for my own, my child's and my dog's safety; if I question the safety of a particular activity, we will not engage in the same, even if directed by the instructor.

2. I know that risks and dangers may occur during the Activities including, but not limited to, personal injury and property damages. I further understand that I, my child, and my dog will be exposed to conditions over which others have little or no control, including but not limited to injury or damage resulting from the action of another dog, and that there is an inherent danger in participating in the Activities.

3. I, on behalf of myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, and on behalf of my child and his/her other parents and/or guardians, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, do hereby agree to assume all of the risks of such participation, and will hold harmless Contact Point Agility LLC, Grand K9 Ranch LLC, its instructors, members and guests, and Lisa A. Runquist, her heirs, executors, successors and assigns, Karen Moureaux, her heirs, executors, successors and assigns as well as other persons not specifically named who have participated in the Activities,, from any and all liability of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise out of or in connection with participation in the Activities. I also agree to indemnify these parties from any and all claims made by any other member of my family or any guest that may accompany me while on the training grounds or surrounding area thereto, as a result of any action by any dog, including my own.

4. I HEREBY VOLUNTARILY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, WAIVE AND RELINQUISH ANY AND ALL ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH WHICH MAY BE SUSTAINED BY ME, MY CHILD, AND/OR MY DOG AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES OR ANY ACTIVITIES INCIDENTAL THERETO, AND I DO FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS, RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND RELINQUISH ANY ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION WHICH MAY HEREAFTER ARISE FOR MYSELF AND/OR MY CHILDREN, AND FOR ANY OF OUR ESTATES, AND AGREE THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL WE OR OUR HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS OR ASSIGNS PRESENT ANY CLAIM FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH AGAINST ANY OF THE INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES DESCRIBED ABOVE.

This agreement is the entire agreement of the parties and cannot be modified by word or conduct of any party. If any provision is found to be invalid, all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect. By signing, I acknowledge that I/we have read and understand the entire document, that I/we have legal custody of the minor children listed below, and that I/we agree to the contents of the entire document.

Printed Name of Person signing: _____

Printed Names of all Minor Children Covered by this Release:

Signed on _____, 2012 at _____, California.

Signature: _____