



Where Training Kicks In
and
the Fun Begins

Introduction to Obedience Training using Markers



Introduction to Obedience Training using Markers provides a motivational method of telling the dog the moment he performs the behavior that was being taught. Marker training also provides a non-punishment method of communicating with a dog the moment the dog performs an undesirable behavior. Marker training is the same thing as clicker training. The only difference is that with markers we use a verbal marker and with clicker training a small mechanical clicker is used to communicate with the dog.

In technical terms, Marker training is operant conditioning. Operant conditioning forms an association between a behavior and a consequence.

Handlers will learn to Marker train their dogs and teach several behaviors (heel, sit, down, come, stay) to their dogs using the Marker cues (verbal & non-verbal). The class is designed to be both an introductory class for people who have never marker-trained, and the next obedience training class for pet dogs, therapy dogs, and performance dogs after the earning the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certificate.

Cost: \$55.00 for GPCDFA club members (in good standing) or \$85.00 non-club members. There is a \$25.00 charge for each additional dog for Handlers with more than one dog.

Prerequisite: Dogs must have a CGC or completed a basic Obedience course or equivalent.

Class Length: 7 weeks

Location: Greater Panama City Dog Fanciers Association (GPCDFA) Club House
4909 East 11th Street, Springfield

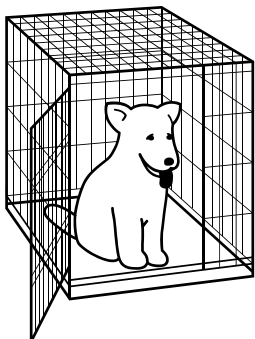
Dates: Jan 22nd, Feb 5th, 12th & 19th, Mar 11th, 18th & 25th, 2012

Time: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm, Sunday afternoons

Instructor: Lori Starling



Maximum class size: 8 teams (Handler & Dog) (Handler with two dogs is two teams)



Submit Registration form at www.GCPDFA.org
or contact
Lori Starling at Training@gpcdfa.org



Note: Classes are sequential. Students must pre-register and provide dog's shot records. Classes are limited to the first 8 teams who pay in full. Overflow students will be placed on a waiting list but are not guaranteed entry to the class. Once Class begins, no refunds will be issued.

Please bring crate, water bowl, & bait for your dog(s)