

Dog Owners' Training Club of Maryland, Inc. Rules and Regulations

You are responsible for your dog's behavior at all times. Keep him or her on a short lead unless otherwise directed by your instructor. Do not let him wander at the end of the lead or sniff other dogs. Do not handle or pet other dogs. Pay close attention to your own. There will be opportunities to get acquainted after more is learned about attention, control and handling.

We do not accept dogs that are aggressive towards people and recommend that these dogs be taken to a private trainer who can work with them individually. If your dog shows extreme aggression towards other dogs or barks continuously and disrupts class, you may be asked to leave. With willing and intelligent cooperation on the part of the owner, this is rarely necessary.

Our privilege of using the Armory depends on our ability to keep the premises clean. You are expected to clean up after your dog. The small area of grass with the tree in the parking lot is designated as the Exercise Area (area to let your dog relieve himself) and is equipped with pooper-scoopers, a trashcan, plastic bags and flashlights. A plastic bag in your pocket is a most efficient and immediate method of clean up. Please use ONLY the can on the grass or the small orange can inside for clean up. Do not let your dog urinate on doorways, trashcans, etc. We suggest not feeding your dog until you get home from class.

Training builds each week on previous training so you will benefit by attending classes regularly. Please advise your instructor if you are going to be absent. If your dog appears to be sick, keep him/her home. If your female is in season, she must stay at home also. You are encouraged to attend class even if your dog cannot.

Comfortable clothing and shoes are suggested. The club assumes no responsibility for lost or missing articles. Purses or valuables should be left at home or locked in your car. We are a volunteer organization. Any assistance you give us in setting up, moving or putting away equipment is always appreciated.

A copy of your dog's current Rabies certificate must be included with your check and registration. Although DOTC endeavors to obtain and maintain current Rabies certificates on all dogs in its program, due to the numbers of dogs involved, we cannot guaranty compliance and assume no responsibility for loss or injury caused by an owner's failure to comply with this policy. It is each owner's responsibility to provide DOTC with a current certificate each year and with an updated certificate should the dog's vaccination expire during the class year.

Failure to comply with the policies of DOTC may result in dismissal from class. Please fill out, sign and return the Statement of Responsibility and Registration Form on the next page.

**Dog Owners' Training Club of Maryland
Statement of Responsibility
Registration Form**

I agree to comply with DOTC's Rules and Regulations and accept this Statement of Responsibility to hold harmless the Dog Owners' Training Club of Maryland, Inc. (" DOTC ") and waive its Officers, Board Members, Instructors, workers and property owners on which classes and workshops are held from any claims or loss, including physical injury or death, that may have been caused directly or indirectly to me or my dog(s) while participating in the sport of Dog Obedience or other DOTC activities. I personally assume all responsibility and liability when entering the DOTC activities/premises for whatever purpose at my own risk, including without limitation such risks, claims or injuries as my dog, my guests, or I may sustain as a result of other dogs and/or their owner's/handler's failure to abide by the above Statement of Responsibility and its accompanying Rules and Regulations.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If dog handler is under 18 years of age, signature of Parent/Guardian is required:

_____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian

Name: _____ Dog's Name: _____

Address: _____ Dog's Age: _____

_____ Dog's Breed: _____

Phone Number: _____

How did you hear about DOTC? _____

Have you ever trained a dog in obedience before? YES / NO

**Please sign, fill out and return this form with your CHECK and COPY of
CURRENT RABIES CERTIFICATE to:**

**Judy Schreiber, Registrar
231 Galan Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21228**