



Berlin Parks and Recreation Department

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES - SPRING 2021

Classes held at the former Pistol Creek Golf Course, 600 Spruce Brook Road, Berlin, CT 06037

Register on-line, by mail or in person at the office by appointment only*

Instructor – Wendy McGurgan, Professional Dog Trainer (860) 828- 8206

Assistant Trainer – Shirley Coulombe.

Dog handlers should be at least 16 years old.

Registration Starts: Residents March 1st Non-residents March 8th

**Register on-line through our WebTrac program. The town's website www.town.berlin.ct.us On-line registration is only available up to the last business day before the program starts. Mail in registrations to Berlin Parks and Recreation, 230 Kensington Road, Berlin CT 06037. Checks payable to Town of Berlin. Or to register in person, please call our office 860-828-7009 to make an appointment. Look for us, on the Town's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/TownBerlinCT*

Face masks/coverings required when class is held indoors. All participants must sign a COVID waiver

KINDERGARTEN PUPPY TRAINING (1ST class is without the dogs!)

April 15th – May 27th Program #165001B Max of 10 students per class.

Thursdays, 6 – 7 P.M. 7 weeks Class Fee: Residents \$75 Non-residents \$85

The class is for puppies ages two and a half months to six months old. We will work on leash walking and the come, sit and down commands. Your puppy will also develop social skills and confidence. Learn how to praise and correct your puppy appropriately. Start a great relationship with your pup! We will address problems like chewing, housebreaking and crate training. The first class is mandatory unless you are excused by the instructor. You will need a 6 ft. leash and we will discuss leashes and collars in the first class. Please bring a copy of your puppy's current vaccinations to the first class.

BASIC DOG OBEDIENCE (1ST class is without the dogs!)

April 13th – May 25th Program #165001A Max 10 students per class

Tuesdays, 6 – 7 P.M. 7 weeks Class Fee: Residents \$75 Non-residents \$85

The class will cover basic commands for the family dog. Commands include sit, down, stay, heel, come and stand. You will learn to correct bad habits such as jumping up and pulling on the leash. Learn how to praise, correct and discipline your dog appropriately. Dogs should be at least 6 months old. The first class is mandatory unless you are excused by the instructor. You will need a 6 ft leash and we will discuss leashes and collars in the first class. A copy of your dog's current vaccinations, including Bordetella, should be given to the instructor at the first class

BETTER BASIC DOG OBEDIENCE

April 14th – May 19th Program #165001D Max 10 students per class

Wednesdays, 6 – 7 P.M. 6 weeks Class Fee: Residents \$75 Non-residents \$85

The class is for dogs and handlers that have completed basic class. Emphasis will be on improving the skills learned in basic class. We will concentrate on the stay, heel, come and recall exercises and work with a greater level of distraction. This class will give you a better insight into your dog's behavior. You will need a 6ft leash. Dogs will be rewarded with verbal and physical, praise, not food. Please bring a copy of your dog's vaccinations if not already on file.