



Avon Dog Services
Training & Behavioural Specialist
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Puppy Life Skills - Dogs up to 6 months old

Core values

Name recognition - Teaching the dog to learn its own name is a key skill in dog training, it's the building blocks to the rest of your training.

Finding motivators - We take a look at which positive rewards work best to incentivise your dog, such as treats, toys or attention, and how to effectively administer them

Meeting with manners - Your dog will meet a whole range of people and dogs as they grow, this skill teaches calm relaxed behaviours in a variety of situations

Recall - A strong recall can and will keep your dog safe. This skill will find the best ways to gain your dogs attention in a variety of different areas and levels of distraction

Socialisation - Socialisation isn't just about finding a group of dogs and putting your dog in the mix, expecting them to deal with it. Socialisation is about guiding your dog through a wide range of scenarios and events to help them become well-adjusted to life, we look at how to apply that principle in real life

Leave unwanted items - This skill teaches dogs that not all things are to be eaten or chewed, especially things that will cause the dog harm.

Vehicle work - Early vehicle training can help your dog feel much more relaxed and settled when travelling, even just for short journeys

S.T.A.R Technique - Our STAR programme is the newest addition to our services. This technique is designed to aid the handler to problem solve when teaching new behaviours, or fine-tuning pre-existing exercises.

The Rule of 3 - The rule of 3 runs throughout all of our exercises. It gives an easy way to remember exercise schedules, rates of reinforcement and reward variety.

Added Extras

Clicker training - An introduction to the wonderful world of clicker training. Clickers are not mandatory, but can open up a whole new range of tricks, methods and techniques for dog training.

Different contact surfaces - Puppies are constantly learning their environment, so this is a perfect time to help give them extra surfaces to get used to, that they may not have previously encountered

Find your feet - foot placements and body awareness helps your dog to build better control and balance to aid healthy development

Drop – playtimes with toys should be fun, and not a battle. A simple drop/give cue will make playtimes much more enjoyable for you and your dog

Separation anxiety – Tips on how to avoid anxiety in your dog when being left alone, even just for a few moments at a time.

Vet handling – Experienced Veterinary Nurses from Ashman Jones guide you through up to date methods of handling, nail clipping, cleaning/check overs whilst keeping your pup calm and relaxed

Clear marking of desirable behaviours – Your dogs will offer many good behaviours throughout the day, we take a look at which of those behaviours you'd like to see more often, and work on ways to help mark and reward the behaviours offered.

Breed Specifics - You've got your puppy, it's now time to see what makes them tick. Each dog is different, even dogs of the same breed or even same litter will behave different to one another. That being said, each breed has certain traits that are common throughout. Helping you to understand their breed will help you find ways in which to motivate, reward and drive your dog.

Enrichment talk – enrichment toys and games are great for mental development, stimulation and boredom avoidance. They also help to improve the relationship between you and your dog. We'll talk weekly about items or products that we feel are important to help keep your dog on the right track

