



Paws and Possibilities™

Teaching you to train your dog, one paw at a time

Successful Training to get your dog to “Come”

- Use a treat that is highly motivational. You may need to use a different type of treat than you normally use.
- Say “Come” once, with confidence and authority, but not in a threatening tone. Do not repeat command.
- Set up for SUCCESS at the beginning. On a scale of 1-10, begin the training on level 1-3. Your goal is that your dog keeps getting it right and you keep making it a little harder. Increase the level of distraction only after she’s proven capable of succeeding with fewer distractions.
- Click the moment she begins moving toward you; do not wait until she has come to you. The hardest part is deciding to come when you call, so that is the point we want to highlight with the clicker.
- Be unpredictable. If you always call her when you are about to bring her inside (and she loves to be outside) she won’t want to come. If you call her, click and treat her, and then go outside to play with her... then she would want to come.
- When she responds in an excellent manner, “have a party” (multiple treats)!
- The most effective training will result from short training periods (5 minutes) done frequently (2, 3, or 4X/day).
- When training is over, reward her with something special she loves – a game of tug, a massage, affection, etc.

Paws and Possibilities specializes in teaching you how to train your dog. Unique training plans are created to meet your specific needs. Complicated training ideas are explained to you in a way that makes sense, and results are measurable. Call 410-424-0858 for more information or visit www.pawsandpossibilities.com.