# **12** Essential Dog Training Commands Every Dog Owners Should Know

Have you teach your new puppy or dog basic dog training commands yet? If you have not, then perhaps you should find out why these 12 training commands are vital to helping your dog get along happily with you and the rest of the world.

**July 12, 2009** - <u>*PRLog*</u> -- Many dog owners know the importance of teaching their dogs training commands to communicate and train their dogs in proper behavior however with so many different commands, which are the most important and effective dog training commands to know?

Well, here are essentially 12 dog training commands that many dog trainers believe a dog need to know to get along happily with you and the rest of the world.

## Come

This is the first and most important command in a dog's command repertoire. Usually taught together with his/her name, it's a command that you will use actively to recall your dog back to you if he/she breaks free from the leash or is running around disturbing other people in the park.

Sit

This is one of the easiest commands to teach, and also one of the most useful especially to control your dog from getting too excited while you are preparing its meal. Dogs who understand the "Sit" command are easier to manage and are also less likely to misbehave like jumping on people, chasing animals or fighting with other dogs.

Stay

Often used in combination with commands "sit" or "down," the command "stay" is useful to keep your dog out of harms way should he/she approach something it's not suppose to or attempting to run across a busy street. Not the easiest command for dogs as sometimes their curiosity and animal instinct might take over instead of staying put when told.

### Wait

Different from the "Stay" command which is more often use to keep your dog away from danger, the "Wait" command is more of a obedience command to keep your dog in check, letting him/her know he/she has to wait till your next command. Commonly use on dogs that have a habit of rushing through doors or pull ahead on a leash.

### Down

Unlike the "sit" command, the "down" command means your dog goes down on his/her stomach. This command is an essential part of doggy etiquette. It's also more comfortable than a sitting position when you want your dog wait for you for more than a minute or two.

### Stand

This command tells your dog to stop moving and be still. It's useful for when you are having a veterinarian

examining him/her over or when you are bathing and grooming him/her.

## Okay

The "Okay" command is use to release your dog from a previous command you have given earlier. For example, your dog is now free to walk through the open door after you had early given the "Wait" command.

## No

Depending on the situation, the "No" is usually use to discourage or break up undesirable behavior such as chewing, biting or jumping. This is an important command that you should teach your puppy from the beginning.

## Off

The "Off" command is useful to teach your dog to get off that expensive sofa or your bed and is also applicable for telling them to stop jumping on you or other people.

### Leave It

Dogs are inquisitive animals and sometimes give in to their instinct to explore things that appeal to their senses. The "Leave It" command is perfect to stop dogs that fancies poop eating or having a fetish chewing habit to chew everything around the house.

## Drop It

The "Drop It" command is necessary to get your dog drop whatever it is in their mouth especially items like your expensive leather shoe or unknown substances that might be potentially harmful. This command is also useful when you start teaching your dog how to "Fetch".

### Heel

"Heel" simply means that your dog will walk on your left without lagging behind or running ahead of you. This is extremely useful for your dog to understand this command to prevent him/her pulling you on the leash while going for walks. This command becomes all the more necessary if you have a large dog.

Knowing these 12 dog training commands will give you the basic fundamentals to having a well-manner and obedient dog in your every day life.

Dog training should always be short, simple and fun. For additional information about effective dog obedience and behavior training, visit: <u>http://www.dogtrainingclassroom.com</u>

Alternatively, for new dog owners who are interested to learn how to execute the above mentioned dog training commands correctly and effectively, read the review of a highly rated, illustrated dog training bestseller titled SitStayFetch : Secrets To Dog Training whereby Daniel, a certified expert dog trainer will teach and guide you step-by-step all the basic 12 commands and many other more... to having a well-behaved dog! <u>http://www.dogtrainingclassroom.com/sitstayfetch.html</u>

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