



Siriusly K-9's

Getting the best from Your Best Friend

Policies and Procedures

Vaccination Policy

Age appropriate vaccinations are required for all dogs enrolled in any Siriusly K-9's classes, activities, or private trainings. Except by documentation from a licensed veterinarian, all dogs are required to have completed at least three (3) vaccinations in the puppy series (DHAPP) and have received the Rabies Vaccine, administered by a licensed veterinarian in accordance with Michigan law, by five (4) months of age. Thereafter, all dogs are required to be current on the DHAPP Annual Booster, DHAPP with Lepto is optional, and current on Rabies Vaccinations. The Bordatella (Kennel Cough) is optional, but highly recommended.

Proof of vaccination records are required by the start of the first class, private session, or Siriusly K-9's activity. Any dog for which proof cannot be provided will be excused from participating in classes, private sessions, or activities until such proof can be provided.

Acceptable forms of proof of vaccinations include:

- a.) Rabies Vaccination Certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian
- b.) Veterinary invoice which contains Rabies Vaccination expiration date and/or DHAPP Vaccination date
- c.) Health certificates/Adoption Contracts from Animal Services or Animal Rescue Organizations which contain Rabies Vaccination expiration date and/or DHAPP Vaccination date
- d.) Home administered DHAPP which contains the dog's name, date given, and vaccination labels

Canine Health Policy

All dogs are required to be in good health at the start of any classes, private sessions, or activities. If there is any question as to the health of your dog, or whether the dog can participate in any classes, private sessions, or activities, please either contact Siriusly K-9's staff or your veterinarian.

Fleas, Ticks, and Intestinal Parasites

Siriusly K-9's takes every precaution to ensure our facilities and training areas are free from external and internal parasites; however, the responsibility to keep a dog free from these inflections falls on the dog's owner, and Siriusly K-9's is not to be held responsible if a dog contracts a parasite of any kind. We strongly recommend owners keep their dogs on flea and tick preventatives and heartworm preventatives year round.

Equipment – For Group Classes

Because every dog is different, Siriusly K-9's urges owners not to purchase any specialized training collars or harnesses without consulting one of our Canine Specialists. Many of these collars and harnesses can injure a dog if used improperly or are ill fitting.

Required materials and equipment for the classes are:

- a.) Your dog
- b.) 4 to 6 foot non-retractable leash of nylon, leather, or cotton (retractable leads will not be permitted in class)
- c.) A properly fitted flat collar (you should be able to fit no more than two fingers under the collar)
- d.) At least 3 different types of small treats your dog likes
- e.) Your dog's favorite toy to be used only for training
- f.) Proof of vaccinations
- g.) Course book to be provided by Siriusly K-9's on the first day of class

Optional, but recommended, materials include:

- a.) A chew toy to keep your dog occupied during lecture periods
- b.) Note pad and pen for taking notes
- c.) Target stick for small dogs
- d.) Clicker to mark behavior
- e.) Bait bag to keep treats in

Participation and Abuse Policy

Training should be fun for you and your dog. To insure this, Siriusly K-9's has a strict policy regarding the abuse, either verbal or physical, to any dog or person enrolled in our classes, private sessions, or activities. At our Canine Specialist's sole judgment, any person witnessed hitting, punching, fighting, or verbally assaulting any dog or other person may be asked to leave, have training services terminated, and will not be allowed to return to any Siriusly K-9's facilities, functions, classes, private sessions, or activities.

Aggressive Dog Policy

Dogs which attack, attempt to attack, bite, or attempt to bite any other dog, animal, or person will not be permitted to remain in group classes or participate in any activities. In this event, the owner will receive a credit for private behavior modification sessions or the REACT-ive Dog class. The dog will not be allowed back in group sessions or activities except by the authorization of the Siriusly K-9's Canine Specialist presiding over the class or activity.

In the event the aggression issue is too severe for Siriusly K-9's Canine Specialists to safely handle, the dog, at the Canine Specialist's discretion, will be referred to an approved specialized animal behaviorist.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations disrupt the flow of group classes and, with private lessons, greatly interfere with both the dog's training and Siriusly K-9's scheduling. For that reason, cancellations are not approved. In the event of group classes, it may be possible to either place you in another class for the week missed or transfer you to another class at a later date and/or time. Cancellations of private lessons will result in you still being charged for the appointed time. Any deviation to this policy is left to the sole discretion of the Siriusly K-9's Canine Specialist.

In the event of severe weather or other unforeseen events that make it impossible to safely hold classes, Siriusly K-9's will contact participants either by phone or email and class will resume the following week.

Refund Policy

After the first class, no refunds will be issued except on the sole discretion of the Siriusly K-9's Canine Specialist presiding over the class.

Dogs in Season

Dogs in season may attend classes provided the owner keeps the dog clean and the dog wears a diaper.

Cleanliness

Owners are expected to clean up after their dog. Siriusly K-9's will provide cleaning materials if your dog has an accident, and we will be more than happy to hold your dog for you while you clean it up.

Contact Information

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