

# Rally Obedience

## Class Description

**\$120 / 6 Weeks / 1 Hour**

**Eligibility:** All ages and all breeds welcome.

**Drop-In:** YES

**Revolving Enrollment:** NO

### **What is Rally Obedience?**

Think of an AKC Rally® event as a team sport: You and your dog navigate a course, side-by-side, as you steer your dog through a course of 10-20 different signs. Each of these signs provides instructions regarding the next skill that is to be performed. The dog and handler move continuously throughout the course with the dog under control at the handler's left side. Runs are timed and winners are chosen based on the highest score. When teams earn the same score, time will be the deciding factor for placement.

Started in 2005, AKC Rally (*aka Rally-O*) is a fun family sport and participation increases each year. It's a perfect starting point for those who are new to canine sports or just looking to have some fun with their dog. Some of the challenges include 360° turns, serpentine weaves, jumps, signal exercises at a distance, figure 8 with distractions and so much more. There are a grand total of 111 different signs and five competition levels in Rally. This is known for being a highly addictive sport due to its fun upbeat nature. Rally will be taught using only highly motivating games and reward based methods.

### **Is Basic Obedience I & II a prerequisite for this class?**

Though it is strongly advised to at least take Basic Obedience I, the answer is No. You are not required to take Basic Obedience I or II. However, It's to your benefit that when choosing to enroll in this class, that your dog already know the basic behaviors such as sit, down, stay, come and the beginnings of heel work.

### **Additional Information**

If you'd like to see a video of one of our Trainers competing at the AKC Rally Nationals please visit the YouTube link below. We are proud to say one of our very own earned 9<sup>th</sup> Place out of 160 entries with a score of 397/400 in the RAE level.

**Video link:** <https://youtu.be/-dM-ACIZrAM>

### **What to bring to class?**

- 2 different types of food rewards. Be sure they're soft, pea sized treats. Avoid dry crumbly treats.
- Something to carry treats in such as a treat bag, waist apron or be sure to wear clothing with pockets.
- 6 ft. leash and a martingale, regular buckle or belt style collars ONLY (*retractable leashes, harnesses, head halters and choke chains are not permitted*).
- Travel size bed, rug or mat.
- Water bowl for keeping your dog hydrated and comfortable.
- Close toed shoes for safety (Not optional).
- A clicker (*optional*).
- A non-squeaky toy to play with your dog (Not optional).