

Sport Sampler

Class Description

\$80 / 4 weeks / 1 Hour

Eligibility: All ages and all breeds welcome.

Drop-In: YES

Revolving Enrollment: NO

What is a Sport Sampler class?

Our Sports Sampler class is unique in that it introduces you to 5 fun performance activities: Competition Obedience, Scent Work, Tricks, Rally Obedience and Agility. Let's discover what activity you and your canine partner find enjoyable together. Each session starts with a demonstration. Below is a breakdown of each session.

Obedience – Most people don't know how fun competitive Obedience can really be. Together you and your dog will learn the beginning stages of proper heel work, dumbbell retrieval, stand for exam, recalls and more. Obedience is one of the most difficult sports to teach but also one of the most rewarding.

Scent Work & Tricks – Most dogs love using their noses and food. Combine the two and you have one happy dog that's eager to work. Enjoy watching your dog search for hidden treats among various obstacles. Next we will discuss the basics of teaching tricks using clickers. Everyone will first teach a basic trick followed by attempting to do one of their choosing. For those individuals seeking to teach a fun and unique trick, there are many different props to choose from like shopping carts, basketball hoops and more.

Rally-O – Rally is a fun, fast paced sport. Together as a team you will heel with your dog through a course consisting of 10-20 different signs. Each of these signs provides instructions regarding the next skill that is to be performed. Each run is timed and winners are chosen based on the highest score. When teams earn the same score, time will be the deciding factor for placement. You will learn the individual Novice level signs laid out in your course. Towards the end of class each person will have a chance to run the full course and the winner will receive a special surprise!

Agility – Dog Agility is a fun athletic sport where the handler guides the dog through a timed obstacle course. In this class you will have a chance to teach your dog multiple obstacles including standard jumps, tire jump, tunnel, teeter, and the table. If you find you love this sport you'll be happy to know our Sarasota location offers a competition sized outdoor ring, complete with competition grade rubberized equipment!

Additional information

Puppies are welcome to take part in this course. To avoid injury in a young puppy, please inform your Trainer if your puppy is less than 12 months of age. Your Trainer will happily accommodate by adjusting certain obstacles to a lower height in order to reduce the chance of injury.

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. The exception being a sport harness for dogs with known trachea issues (*retractable leashes, prong collars, head halters, harnesses, choke chains and other restrictive leash pulling aids 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 (*You may borrow one for use in class only*)
- A non-squeaky toy if your dog enjoys playing (*Optional*).