



Public Etiquette and Introduction to Canine Therapy'



SIT SDIT/Therapy dogs Rielly and Matty visiting with residents at a TBI rehabilitation center

The Public etiquette and introduction to canine therapy course will concentrate on the proper mannerisms and expectations of a dog in a public setting, commands associated with therapeutic environments, uses of therapy dogs, an overview of the legal climate in which therapy dogs operate, and mastery of required scenarios prior to entering a program/facility in a therapeutic capacity. Topics covered include:

- Basics of canine behavioral psychology
- Legal parameters of therapy dogs
- Public etiquette
- Temperament testing
- Simulation of scenarios useful in a therapeutic setting
- Integration of therapy dogs in physical, occupational, and other therapies
- Certification

Dogs considered for enrollment in the Public etiquette and Introduction to canine therapy course must have completed basic obedience commands, and pass an evaluation by a SIT Service Dog trainer. Evaluation prior to enrollment will include an adapted Volhard temperament test, basic skills testing, etc... Enrollment will be at the sole discretion of SIT Service Dogs trainers.

Pricing of 6 week course:

Course.....\$250.00

Certification.....\$100.00

APPLICATION FOR CANINE ASSISTED THERAPY COURSE

OWNER'S NAME:

PLEASE NOTE: Each dog must have only 1 primary handler throughout the course as therapy teams are certified as an entity.

CELL PHONE:

HOME PHONE:

ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP:

DOG'S NAME:

BREED:

AGE:

GENDER:

SPAY/NEUTER? Y N

*If dog is not sterilized, why not?

DOES YOUR DOG HAVE ANY HISTORY OF BITING OR ATTACKING A PERSON?

DOES YOUR DOG HAVE A HISTORY OF BITING OR ATTACKING ANOTHER DOG?

WHERE DID YOU GET YOUR DOG?

RESCUE

BREEDER

OWNER SURRENDER

OTHER

HOW LONG HAS YOUR DOG LIVED WITH YOU?

PLEASE LIST ANY ILLNESS OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS YOUR DOG HAS HAD IN THE LAST 3 YEARS:

VETERINARIAN/VETERINARY CLINIC:

VET PHONE:

WHY ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN CANINE ASSISTED THERAPY WITH YOUR DOG?

HAVE YOU EVER PARTICIPATED IN ANY SPECIAL ACTIVITIES WITH YOUR DOG?
PLEASE LIST:

DO YOU HAVE A SPECIFIC FACILITY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BRINGING CANINE-ASSISTED THERAPY TO?

DID YOU/YOUR DOG ATTEND A BASIC OBEDIENCE CLASS? IF SO, WHERE?

LIST ALL OBEDIENCE COMMANDS YOUR DOG HAS MASTERED:

PLEASE ATTACH RECORD OF MOST RECENT RABIES,
DISTEMPER/PARVO/LEPTOSPIROSIS, AND BORDETELLA VACCINES.

I certify that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that enrollment in the canine-assisted therapy course at SIT Service Dogs is voluntary and at the sole discretion of SIT trainer(s). I also understand I will have to complete a short evaluation prior to enrollment in the course.

Signature

Date