

# Obedience 1 Class

## Peoria Obedience Training Club

**Prerequisite Classes/Skills:** Dog must have successfully completed Manners Class **OR** dog must show proficiency in each manners class skill (focus, loose leash walking, sit, sit stay, down, come (recall), door/threshold manners, canine social skills, human social skills).

**Prerequisite Dog Age:** 6 months and older

**Class Description:** This class is the foundation on which all advanced training builds and reinforces skills learned in Manners Class with emphasis on greater duration, distance and distraction. Building a strong bond with your dog as well more attention to handler skills is a primary focus. Successful completion of this course is required before advancing to the Obedience 2 Class.

**Class Length:** 8 weeks

**Core Skills taught in Obedience 1 Class:**

- Dog heels on a loose leash
- Dog sits or stands for exam
- Dog down stays
- Dog comes when called
- Dog sit stays

**Handler Responsibilities:**

- Patience with your dog, yourself and your classmates
- Consistent daily training with your dog
- Positive attitude
- Ask questions when you have them

**Note:** Obedience 1 typically has dogs of varying age and experience as well as handlers of varying age and experience. Depending on individual class needs, instructors may teach skills in addition to the Core Skills.

**What comes after Obedience 1?** Teams successfully completing Obedience 1 Class are invited to enroll in POTC's Obedience 2 Class.

Handler Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Obedience 1 End of Course Assessment

Task	Today's Performance Level		
	Good	Fair	Not Yet
<b>heel on leash</b>	Dog heels on loose leash	Dog requires repeated corrections	Dog has constant tight leash
<b>stand or sit for exam</b>	Dog accepts appropriate petting and stays in position	Dog moves during exam	Dog moves from position OR dog is reactive
<b>down stay</b>	Dog stays while handler moves around dog	Dog moves out of position	Dog does not stay
<b>come when called</b>	Dog comes and sits in front of handler	Dog requires additional commands OR does not come to front	Dog does not come
<b>sit stay</b>	Dog stays as handler walks 15 feet from dog and returns	Dog moves from position	Dog does not stay

**Comments:**