

Lesson 2 Homework

This week the focus will be on prolonged place, creating boundaries at the front door, passing through the front door and recall.

ALWAYS HAVE LONG LEASH ON AND TRY TO ONLY HOLD THE HANDLE

- 1. Put place board in direct line with the door as far away as feasible. Call dog to you and position on place. Move to the front of the place board while still facing your dog. Try to position yourself between the dog and the door. Take a deep breath, put your hand out like a stop sign and take 3 steps backwards. Drop your hand. If dog stays, take 3 more steps and then turn and walk to the door. If it fails in any way, apply spacial pressure and move dog back to place.
- 2. Call dog to door and try to sit him about 3 feet from the door on the side with the hinges. While facing dog reach back and open door. Try to maintain the sit while you move outside just across the threshold. If dog breaks use spacial pressure too reset to sit.
- 3. While standing outside threshold, release dog and use spacial pressure to block dog before dog passes the threshold. When dog sits or walks away a boundary has been formed. Practice this boundary 10 times per day.
- 4. With long leash in hand, release dog outside. As soon as dog goes past you start pressing button while saying dog's name and ask him to come. Dog will probably go all the way to the end of the leash. This is alright. Practice recall until he comes and stands with you. When dog stops leaving your side, ask to sit. Practice this 10 times per day.
- 5. Continue to work come, sit, and place twice a day for 10-20 reps.
- 6. At the end of each day complete 30 minutes of continuous place. Continuous means without the dog leaving place or being held there by you.