**K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC**

1966 Crompond Road

Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567

**Training agreement**

6 Week In-Kennel Aggression Rehab and Management Program

The following is a description of the commands in our training program:

**Attention:** Our attention getting exercise teaches each dog their name. This lays the foundation for everything else you will ever request of your dog. If your dog is paying attention you can get him/her to perform anything within their ability.

**Leash Manners:** This teaches dogs to work properly and confidently on a leash. Preventing unwanted pulling and jerking is often a concern of many dog owners.

**Sit/Sit Stay:** Dogs are trained to sit on the first command and must stay until released or asked to perform another task.

**Down/Down Stay:** Dogs are trained to lie down on the first command and must stay until released or asked to perform another task.

**Come:** The dog must come and stay near the handler when given the command to do so. The dog must stay near the owner until released or asked to perform another task.

**Heel:** The dog will walk on the left side of the handler and turn or change pace as needed.

**Release:** Everything that has a beginning must have an end. That is why each dog is trained to the "FREE" or release command.

**Climb:** This exercise teaches the dog to climb onto any object and remain there until released.

**Place:** The dog is trained to go to a mat and remain in a down position there until released.

***Leave it:*** The dog must disengage with the person, dog, or object of focus.

**OK:** Opposite of “leave it”. Dog may reengage with object or person.

Each command is trained in a controlled environment until the dog clearly understands what is expected of him. Then, we gradually introduce environmental distractions to ensure they will perform in the presences of people, traffic, other dogs and different common environments. Dogs will perform commands both on and off-leash (with consideration to local leash laws).

**Aggression Rehab and Management Training:** This program will have a special emphasis on controlling, rehabilitating, and managing aggressive behavior. The service we provide in no way will guarantee the cessation of all aggression, as aggression is a natural behavior of all dogs. The service is to help the owner do everything in their power to help guide the dog to be the best that he can be using scientific and field proven techniques to continually improve the dog’s behavior beyond the dog’s involvement in the training program.

**Program fee:** The cost of this program is $5300.  This fee includes 6 weeks of training and private training sessions at our training location.  After completion of the program we do a “go-home” lesson at your location. Payment is due in full at the start of the program. Training equipment is not included.

**Program Duration:** While this program is designed as an 6 week program some dogs may require more time.  We will not rush a dog beyond their natural learning pace. Unless you have requested training or extended boarding outside of the scope of program outlined above you will not be charged for these additional days. Trainer will make reasonable effort to keep to a strict training schedule. If the trainer must miss a training day, the day will be made up by extending the program. Owners not picking up or scheduling a go-home lesson for their dogs within 5 days of the completion of the program will be charged $50.00 per day for our boarding service.

**Owner participation:** Owner participation is required for success of this program. We highly recommend that you take full advantage of these sessions. The trained dog will only be as good as the informed and trained handler. The dog will not be expected to obey a handler who does not have a properly established relationship with the dog. Handlers must understand the rules and handling mechanics to be checked off on the “maintenance” block of each command on the quality control form.

**Guarantee:** K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC Guarantees that at the completion of this program your dog will know and understand the exercises outlined above and obey these commands with all trained handlers.  If you are experiencing a problem and it is determined to be a training problem we will fix the problem with no additional training cost. If it is due to a handling problem we will work with the owner at no cost at our facility. If the problem is not a training or handling problem, but is specific to the owner’s location, we will go to your location to troubleshoot.  Removing dogs from the program prior to completion and or failing to participate in handling lessons or follow the directions of the trainer voids this guarantee.

While every effort is made to provide a safe and secure environment for your companion animal, K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC its officers, agents, managers and subcontractors cannot be held responsible for injury, illness, loss, or death of an animal in our care unless it is directly due to our negligence. Owners agree that K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC personnel may utilize any veterinarian of their choice to provide emergency medical care whenever K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC may deem it necessary.  Owners are responsible for all fees incurred on behalf of their dogs.  K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC will make a reasonable effort to contact owner as soon as possible whenever medical care is required.  In the event a dog cannot complete a program due to a major injury or sickness, the training will be put on hold until a full recovery is made. In the case of negligence, K9-1 will cover all costs within the limits of K9-1’s insurance policy.

In the unlikely event of a dog’s death while at our kennel, K9-1 will credit all paid training fees toward the training of a second approved dog or will issue a refund minus accumulated training labor, boarding, and miscellaneous costs to that date.

**Liability:** K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC assumes liability for dog while under their care. K9-1 cannot be held responsible for any actions of owners or animals while not under K9-1’s supervision. Dogs should always be handled and managed with regard to the propensity of the dog biting. No amount of training can guarantee that the dog will not bite at an inappropriate time as there is also no guarantee that the dog will 100% react to the owner’s command to obey. The program is designed to bring the dog as close to 100% reliable as reasonably possible while also coaching the owner on additional management techniques to prevent unwanted bites.

K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC does not make refunds on deposits or payments for training, sales, or service.  We will gladly provide the agreed services or substitute services you may request for up to one year from payment.

I (we) have read the above agreement and agree to hold K9-1 Specialized Dog Training LLC, it’s officers, agents, managers, subcontractors and employees harmless from and against any and all claims, damages or losses including attorney fees that may arise as a result of  the above agreement.

**Owner                                                                                                                     Date**