

SPA (Pickwick Star Puppy Academy)
AKC Virtual Home Manners
AKC NOVICE TRICKS
AKC Canine Good Citizenship CGC
AKC STAR PUPPY

SPA (Pickwick Star Puppy Academy) (Week 1-12+ of life with the primary goal always learning how to learn and have fun with training):

COMMUNICATION:

- Load the clicker
- Load "yes"
- Name Recognition Response
- Positive Interrupter
- "Watch Me"/Attention
- Magnetize the target pad ("Go to place" – stay 15 seconds)

LIFE SKILLS AND GAME TIME:

- Resource Guarding
- Luring
- Tug Games
- Leave It/Take It
- Fetch (AKC Novice Trick)
- Drop It/Give Please
- Recalls/Come When Called - **Come when called from 10 ft IN HOUSE** (step 1: "puppy puppy come") – Later, with new owner, add dog's name "puppy puppy FIDO come", then gradually fade away the puppy puppy and simply say "FIDO come", add distance and distractions, outdoor recalls etc.
- Sit on command (can use lure)
- Sit politely for petting (manding)
- Down on command (trick dog or **Virtual Home Manners Titles**)
- Stand
- Pushups (sit-down-sit-down) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Hand Signals (sit – with no verbal command) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Sit Stay – Build Duration, add distractions (*long term goals with new owner*)
- Down Stay – Build Duration, add distractions (*long term goals with new owner*)
- Wait (at door)
- Gotcha (grab collar)
- Perch Work
- Crate Training Games
- House-Training (we litterbox train using paper pellets plus work on "potty outside" once old enough)
- Velcro Dog – Loose Leash Walking (inside on leash)
 - Bonus: Weather and vaccinations permitting, Outside Loose Leash Walking **"Out for a Walk" – straight line 20 feet**

LEARNING/THINKING/BONDING/PERFORMANCE SKILLS:

- Barrier Challenges
- Mazes and Obstacle Courses
- Touch (hand) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Touch (Target Stick) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Follow Hand/Lure/Touch Advanced (Obstacle Courses with Fit Paws, Target Pads etc.)
- BRAIN GAME – Box (shaping)
- BRAIN GAME – Kong/Puzzles
- BRAIN GAME – Shaping (tba _____)
- BRAIN GAME – Find It (treat hidden under 1 cup or object)
- Puppy Pushups (random & add stand: i.e. sit, stand, down, sit, down, stand etc)
- Target Pad Position Work (attention in heel position, side, front)
- Sit at Front (“come front”)
- Sit at side/heel (“finish left”)

GAME TIME:

- Paws Up (AKC Novice Trick)
- Balance Beam (AKC Novice Trick)
- Through (Hoop) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Through (Tunnel)
- Spin (turn right) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Twist (turn left)
- Bow
- Give paw/shake (AKC Novice Trick)
- Hi-5 (AKC Novice Trick)
- Touch Button
- Paint
- Play Piano
- Paint
- Crawl (dog on belly, crawls at least 3 body lengths) (AKC Novice Trick)
- Play Drums
- Get on/off (AKC Novice Trick)
- Get in Box (AKC Novice Trick)
- Sit in Box (AKC Novice Trick)
- Get out
- Wobble Board
- Fit Paws Balance (Peanut and/or Disc)
- Crawl Through Tunnel

WIND DOWN MASSAGE:

- Massage Feet, Ears etc.
- Groom (brush back, chest)**
- Snuggle
- Pet pug (head/chin, shoulders, back)**

AKC Virtual Home Manners (*Puppy Title: 12 weeks – 1 year*)

- Allows owner to pet (head/chin, shoulders, back)
- Grooming (brushing by owner – back/chest)
- Sit on command (can use lure)
- Down on command (can use lure)
- Comes when called (from 10 ft in house)
- Go to place (stay 15 seconds) (this can be a bed, but we use the target training pad which is like a Yoga Mat or the rubber interlocking square pads)
- House-trained (owner attests, describes training)
- Demonstrates relationship (plays indoors – with family member/owner – choose 1: gets stuffed animal, ball, simple trick, preferred game etc.)
- Out for a walk (outside on leash – straight line, 20 ft)
- Exercise outside (with family member/owner – fetch toy, chase, swim, run with owner)

AKC Virtual Home Manners (*Adult Dog Title: 16 weeks – on*)

- Owner pets, then grooms dog (head/chin, shoulders, back, chest, belly, check ears and feet)**
- Sit on command (no lure)**
- Down on command (no lure)**
- Comes when called indoors (from 20 ft or another room)**
- Manners related to food (choose 1: owner has a snack; owner pugs dog's dish down)**
- Doorbell/knock (dog behaves appropriately)**
- Go to place/crate (stay 1 minute)**
- Demonstrates relationship – Plays indoors with family member/owner (Choose 1: hide and seek; scent game – 3 cups; do a trick; toy, stuffed animal etc.)**
- Out for a Walk (do both: leash on, calmly exit door; walk on loose leash)**
- Exercise outside – with family member/owner (Choose 1: fetch or catch disc/toy; other_____)**

AKC NOVICE TRICKS

(Your Pickwick Puppy will have worked on these 10 tricks to qualify for a Novice Tricks title and we encourage you to obtain this either through evaluation in person or via video submission. You receive title certificate and tons of wonderful bonding opportunity with your puppy. Your puppy will know these 10 tricks: 1) balance beam; 2) Spin; 3) Touch it (hand); 4) Paws Up; 5) Hand Signal (sit); 6) Push-Ups; 7) Get on; 8) Get in Box; 9) Sit in Box; 10) Jump thru hoop and, additionally, all puppies will have worked on some or all of the following depending upon the puppy's strengths: fetch, shake, hi-5, crawl, Handler's Choice – play piano, paint, touch button, play drums, bow, balance on wobble board or fitpaw, crawl through tunnel, find it, touch button, scent work).

- Balance Beam (walk on board a few inches off floor)
- Bark on cue ("speak")
- Crawl (dog on belly, crawls at least 3 body lengths)
- Fetch it (ball etc., 10 ft away, bring to handler within 2 feet)
- Find it (find treat or scent item hidden under 1 cup or object)
- Get your _____ (leash, brush, name of toy)
- Get in (gets in box)
- Sits in box (on cue)
- Get on (gets on low platform or step – 4 paws)
- Paws up (2 front paws on low stool or step)
- Hand signals (choose 1: down, sit, or come – no verbal command)
- High five
- Shake hands
- Hold (3 seconds)
- Jump (thru a low hoop or over a low bar)
- Kennel up (go in crate, stay in until released)
- Kiss (point to cheek or back of hand)
- Paws up (2 front paws on low stool or step)
- Push-ups (sit, down, sit, down, sit, down)
- Shake hands
- Spin in Circle (spin = turn right; twist = turn left)
- Touch it (hand or target stick)
- Tunnel (agility tunnel or child's tunnel)
- Other: Handler's Choice (play piano)
- Other: Handler's Choice (paint)
- Other: Handler's Choice (play drums)
- Other: Handler's Choice (Crawl through tunnel)
- Other: Handler's Choice (balance on fitpaw peanut)
- Other: Handler's Choice (balance on wobble board)

AKC Canine Good Citizenship CGC

- Accepts friendly stranger
- Sits politely for petting
- Appearance and Grooming
- Out for a walk
- Walking through a crowd
- Sit, Down, Stay in place
- Coming when called
- Reaction to another dog
- Reaction to distractions
- Supervised Separation

AKC STAR PUPPY (must complete class in person, not virtual)

OWNER BEHAVIORS:

1. Maintains puppy's health (vaccines, exams, appears healthy)
2. Owner receives Responsible Dog Owner's Pledge
3. Owner describes adequate daily play and exercise plan
4. Owner and puppy attend at least 6 classes by an AKC approved CGC evaluator
5. Owner brings bags to classes for cleaning up after puppy
6. Owner has obtained some form of ID for puppy collar tag etc.

PUPPY BEHAVIORS:

1. Free of aggression toward people during at least 6 weeks of class
2. Free of aggression toward other puppies in class
3. Tolerates collar or body harness of owner's choice
4. Owner can hug or hold puppy
5. Puppy allows owner to take away a treat or toy

PRE-CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TEST BEHAVIORS:

1. Allows (in any position) petting by a person other than the owner
2. Grooming – Allows owner handling and brief exams (ears, feet)
3. Walks on a leash – Follows owner on lead in a straight line (15 steps)
4. Walks by other people – Walks on leash past other people (5 ft away)
5. Sits on command – Owner may use a food lure
6. Down on command – Owner may use a food lure
7. Comes to owner from 5 ft when name is called
8. Reaction to Distractions – distractions are presented 15 ft away
9. Stay on leash with another person (owner walks 10 steps and returns)

AKC FIT DOG

You can order free magnet when you and your dog have met one of these fitness goals:

- 1. Walked at least 30 minutes 5 times per week for a total of at least 150 minutes per week for at least 3 months.**
- 2. Walked at least 15 minutes per session at least 10 times per week (i.e. two 15-minute walks per day) for at least 3 months (this option is better for senior dogs etc.)**



AKC FIT DOG is for ALL dogs & people!

Fit Dog Personal Record Keeping Form

Handler's Name:	Dog's Name:	
Date:	Duration of Walk (Minutes or Distance):	Notes:
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Virtual Home Manners Titles

Checklist and Video Verification Form (VVF)



Instructions: Dog Owner: Send this page with the Virtual Home Manners Title Application to AKC at: cgcinfo@akc.org

Evaluator: Send this completed form to the dog owner. Also send a copy to AKC at: cgcinfo@akc.org

Puppy Title (3 months [12 weeks] to 1 year)

- 1. Allows owner to pet
(head/chin, shoulders, back)
- 2. Grooming - brushing by owner (back/chest)
- 3. Sit on command - can use lure
- 4. Down on command - can use lure
- 5. Comes when called - from 10 ft in house
- 6. Go to place - stay 15 seconds
- 7. House-trained - owner attests, describes training
- 8. Demonstrates relationship
Plays indoors - w/ family member/owner
(Choose 1: gets stuffed animal, ball, simple trick, preferred game, etc.)
- 9. Out for a walk - outside on leash
(straight line - 20 ft)
- 10. Exercise outside - w/ family member/owner
(fetch toy, chase, swims, run with owner)

Adult Dog Title (4 mos - on)

- 1. Owner pets, then grooms dog
(head/chin, shoulders, back, chest, belly; check ears and feet)
- 2. Sit on command (no lure)
- 3. Down on command (no lure)
- 4. Comes when called indoors
(from 20 ft. or another room)
- 5. Manners related to food
Choose 1: owner has a snack
 owner puts dog's dish down
- 6. Doorbell/knock - dog behaves appropriately
- 7. Go to place/crate - stay 1 minute
- 8. Demonstrates relationship
Plays indoors - w/ family member/owner
Choose 1: hide & seek
 scent game (3 cups)
 do a trick
 toy, stuffed animal, etc.
- 9. Out for a walk
Do both: leash on, calmly exit door
 walk on loose leash
- 10. Exercise outside - w/ family member/owner
Choose 1: fetch or catch disc/toy
 other: _____



AKC TRICK DOG

TRICKS CHECKLIST: NOVICE



Instructions: Dog Owner: send this page with the AKC Trick Dog Title Application to AKC.

Evaluator: Send this completed form to the dog owner. As of August 2022, Evaluators no longer send a copy to AKC.

A TOTAL OF **10 TRICKS** ARE REQUIRED TO EARN THE AKC NOVICE TRICK DOG TITLE.

If you have a Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certificate or title on record at AKC, you may count the CGC as 5 of the required tricks for the NOVICE TRICK DOG TITLE.

CGC Skills

Foundation Behaviors for Trick Training

1. Accepts friendly stranger
2. Sits politely for petting
3. Appearance and Grooming
4. Out for a Walk
5. Walking through a crowd
6. Sit, Down, Stay in place
7. Coming when called
8. Reaction to another dog
9. Reaction to distractions
10. Supervised Separation

Check one box:

CGC is on record (counts as 5 tricks). 5 additional tricks have been observed by evaluator and are checked below.

No CGC, 10 tricks have been observed by Evaluator and are checked below.

- Balance beam (walk on board a few inches off floor)
- Bark on cue ("Speak")
- Crawl (dog on belly, crawls at least 3 body lengths)
- Fetch it (ball, etc., 10 ft. away, bring to handler within 2 ft)
- Find it (find treat or scent item hidden under 1 cup or object)
- Get your _____ (Leash, brush, name of toy)
- Get in (gets in box)
 - Sits in box (on cue)
- Get on (gets on low platform or step - 4 paws)
- Hand signals (Choose one: down, sit, or come)
- High five
- Hold (3 seconds)
- Jump (thru a low hoop or over a low bar)
- Kennel up (go in crate, stay in until released)
- Kiss (point to cheek or back of hand)
- Paws up (2 front paws on low stool or step)
- Push-ups (sit, down, sit, down, sit, down)
- Shake hands
- Spin in circle
- Touch it (hand or target stick)
- Tunnel (agility tunnel or child's tunnel)
- Other: Handler's choice: _____
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For the Novice title, handlers may use a food/toy lure if needed. May use food/clicker reinforcers.