

LAPT

LONDON ACADEMY OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

CERTIFICATE

Certificate in Basic Canine Obedience

Foundation Level



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AT A GLANCE

REFERENCE	PC-ABT-F
AWARD	Certificate
ASSESSMENT	445 marks — 267 to pass (60%)
PREREQUISITES	None
VALIDITY	Lifetime
AWARDING BODY	LAPT — London Academy of Professional Training

CURRICULUM

1 Developing Training Plans 4 chapters · 20 classes 65 marks	
• 1 Understanding Canine Behavior and Learning Principles — 5 classes › 1.1 Identifying Key Canine Behavioral Traits › 1.2 Exploring Principles of Canine Learning › 1.3 Analyzing Canine Motivation and Reinforcement › 1.4 Developing Effective Training Strategies › 1.5 Applying Behavioral Principles to Real-life Scenarios • 2 Assessment and Goal Setting for Obedience Training — 5 classes › 2.1 Understanding Canine Baseline Behaviors › 2.2 Assessing Individual Dog Training Needs › 2.3 Setting Realistic Training Goals › 2.4 Crafting Personalized Obedience Plans › 2.5 Evaluating Progress and Adjusting Strategies	• 3 Designing Structured Training Plans — 5 classes › 3.1 Understanding the Elements of a Training Plan › 3.2 Identifying Canine Learning Styles and Needs › 3.3 Structuring Effective Training Sessions › 3.4 Incorporating Positive Reinforcement Techniques › 3.5 Evaluating and Adjusting Training Plans • 4 Monitoring Progress and Adjusting Training Plans — 5 classes › 4.1 Understanding Canine Behavior Baselines › 4.2 Identifying Key Behavior Indicators › 4.3 Measuring and Recording Training Progress › 4.4 Analyzing Data to Adjust Training Strategies › 4.5 Implementing Adjusted Training Plans
2 Ethical Considerations in Training 4 chapters · 20 classes 45 marks	
• 1 Understanding Canine Ethics — 5 classes › 1.1 Exploring the Foundations of Canine Ethics › 1.2 Differentiating Between Canine Needs and Wants › 1.3 Recognizing Canine Body Language and Signals › 1.4 Applying Positive Reinforcement Techniques Ethically › 1.5 Evaluating Training Methods Through an Ethical Lens • 2 Assessing Canine Welfare and Well-being — 5 classes › 2.1 Understanding Canine Needs and Behaviors › 2.2 Identifying Signs of Stress and Discomfort in Dogs › 2.3 Evaluating the Impact of Training Methods on Welfare › 2.4 Ensuring a Positive Environment for Canine Well-being › 2.5 Implementing Ethical Training Practices	• 3 Positive Reinforcement Techniques — 5 classes › 3.1 Understanding the Basics of Positive Reinforcement › 3.2 Identifying and Selecting Effective Reward Types › 3.3 Introducing Positive Reinforcement in Training Sessions › 3.4 Observing and Adjusting Training for Consistency › 3.5 Evaluating the Impact of Positive Reinforcement Techniques • 4 Addressing Ethical Dilemmas in Training — 5 classes › 4.1 Understanding Ethical Dilemmas in Canine Training › 4.2 Evaluating the Impact of Training Methods on Canine Welfare › 4.3 Recognizing and Respecting Canine Autonomy in Training › 4.4 Balancing Trainer Objectives with Ethical Practices › 4.5 Applying Ethical Decision-Making in Real-World Scenarios

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Introduction to Canine Obedience

4 chapters · 20 classes **90 marks**

• 1 Understanding Canine Behavior and Communication — 5 classes

- › 1.1 Exploring Basic Canine Senses and Instincts
- › 1.2 Decoding Canine Body Language and Signals
- › 1.3 Recognizing Common Canine Behavioral Patterns
- › 1.4 Interpreting Vocalizations in Dogs
- › 1.5 Applying Communication Strategies for Effective Interaction

• 2 Foundational Obedience Techniques — 5 classes

- › 2.1 Understanding Canine Communication
- › 2.2 Establishing Leadership Through Consistency
- › 2.3 Mastering the Sit Command
- › 2.4 Teaching Your Dog to Stay
- › 2.5 Reinforcing Techniques with Positive Reinforcement

• 3 Building Reliable Obedience in Varied Environments — 5 classes

- › 3.1 Understanding Your Canine's Environment
- › 3.2 Adapting Obedience Commands to New Surroundings
- › 3.3 Techniques for Maintaining Focus in Distracting Settings
- › 3.4 Practicing Commands with Gradual Environmental Challenges
- › 3.5 Reinforcing Reliable Obedience across Diverse Locations

• 4 Problem Solving and Behavioral Modification — 5 classes

- › 4.1 Understanding Canine Behavior Patterns
- › 4.2 Identifying Common Behavioral Issues
- › 4.3 Analyzing Triggers and Causes
- › 4.4 Implementing Positive Reinforcement Techniques
- › 4.5 Developing a Tailored Behavior Modification Plan

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Practical Obedience Exercises

4 chapters · 20 classes **65 marks**

• 1 Establishing Basic Commands and Communication — 5 classes

- › 1.1 Understanding Canine Communication: The Basics
- › 1.2 Introducing the Command 'Sit': Foundation Exercise
- › 1.3 Teaching 'Stay': Building Patience and Control
- › 1.4 Mastering 'Come': Encouraging Responsive Recall
- › 1.5 Reinforcing Commands Through Consistent Practice

• 2 Leash Training and Walking Etiquette — 5 classes

- › 2.1 Understanding the Importance of Leash Training
- › 2.2 Introducing Your Dog to the Leash
- › 2.3 Teaching Your Dog to Walk Calmly on a Leash
- › 2.4 Correcting Common Leash Walking Issues
- › 2.5 Practicing Walking Etiquette in Different Environments

• 3 Impulse Control and Distraction Training — 5 classes

- › 3.1 Understanding Impulse Control in Dogs
- › 3.2 Practicing Basic 'Stay' and 'Wait' Commands
- › 3.3 Implementing Distraction Techniques
- › 3.4 Enhancing Focus Amidst Distractions
- › 3.5 Evaluating Impulse Control Progress

• 4 Advanced Recall and Off-Leash Reliability — 5 classes

- › 4.1 Understanding Advanced Recall Concepts
- › 4.2 Developing Off-Leash Trust and Communication
- › 4.3 Practicing Recall with Distractions
- › 4.4 Enhancing Off-Leash Reliability in Public Spaces
- › 4.5 Applying Skills in Real-World Scenarios

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Principles of Positive Reinforcement

4 chapters · 20 classes **65 marks**

• 1 Fundamentals of Positive Reinforcement in Canine Training — 5 classes

- › 1.1 Understanding the Basics of Positive Reinforcement
- › 1.2 Identifying Effective Reinforcers for Dogs
- › 1.3 Implementing Positive Reinforcement Techniques
- › 1.4 Recognizing Positive Reinforcement Outcomes
- › 1.5 Addressing Common Challenges in Positive Reinforcement

• 2 Selecting and Timing Rewards for Effective Dog Training — 5 classes

- › 2.1 Understanding Positive Reinforcement Theory
- › 2.2 Identifying Suitable Rewards for Different Dogs
- › 2.3 Mastering the Timing of Rewards
- › 2.4 Practicing Consistent Reward Schedules
- › 2.5 Evaluating the Effectiveness of Your Reinforcement Strategies

• 3 Implementing Positive Reinforcement in Basic Commands — 5 classes

- › 3.1 Understanding the Basics of Positive Reinforcement
- › 3.2 Identifying and Applying Effective Rewards
- › 3.3 Teaching Sit Command Using Positive Reinforcement
- › 3.4 Implementing the Stay Command with Rewards
- › 3.5 Reinforcing Recall: Encouraging Dogs to Come

• 4 Evaluating and Adjusting Positive Reinforcement Strategies — 5 classes

- › 4.1 Understanding the Basics of Positive Reinforcement
- › 4.2 Identifying Effective Positive Reinforcement Techniques
- › 4.3 Monitoring Canine Behavior Response to Reinforcement
- › 4.4 Analyzing the Effectiveness of Current Strategies
- › 4.5 Adjusting Strategies for Optimal Canine Learning

• **1 Understanding Canine Communication** — 5 classes

- › 1.1 Exploring Basic Canine Communication Signals
- › 1.2 Identifying Canine Body Language Cues
- › 1.3 Interpreting Vocalizations and Their Meanings
- › 1.4 Recognizing Contextual Factors in Communication
- › 1.5 Applying Knowledge to Enhance Human-Canine Interaction

• **2 Canine Behavioral Development and Socialization** — 5 classes

- › 2.1 Understanding the Stages of Canine Behavioral Development
- › 2.2 Identifying Common Canine Socialization Periods
- › 2.3 Recognizing Factors Influencing Puppy Socialization
- › 2.4 Exploring the Impact of Socialization on Adult Dogs
- › 2.5 Applying Socialization Techniques in Everyday Environments

• **3 Common Canine Behavior Problems** — 5 classes

- › 3.1 Identifying Common Signs of Anxiety in Dogs
- › 3.2 Recognizing and Responding to Aggressive Behavior
- › 3.3 Understanding Causes of Excessive Barking
- › 3.4 Managing and Redirecting Chewing Behavior
- › 3.5 Developing Solutions for House Soiling Issues

• **4 Strategies for Behavior Modification** — 5 classes

- › 4.1 Recognizing and Assessing Canine Behaviors
- › 4.2 Identifying Causes of Undesirable Behaviors
- › 4.3 Implementing Positive Reinforcement Strategies
- › 4.4 Applying Consistent Training Techniques
- › 4.5 Evaluating and Adjusting Behavior Modification Plans