

LEARNING GOALS

Learn the keys skills needed to participate in major canine sports. Our cross-training approach to teaching sports skills prepares your canine athlete by deeply training the skills applicable across seven canine sports.

Upon completing the course, you will be able to:

1. Transfer the value of play to dog sports and everyday activities that you would like to enjoy with your dog
2. Establish a reinforcement system that is universal for all future training endeavors with your dog
3. Train your dog to relax on cue
4. Train reliable stay and release cues
5. Harness the power of an anticipation cue
6. Use targeting, capturing, and shaping to introduce your dog to complex actions and concepts
7. Teach your dog a default behavior for communicating that he's ready to work, or that he cannot understand your cue variety of medical procedures
8. Teach your dog to be comfortable on all kinds of novel surfaces
9. Useful exercises to teach your dog to go around, through, over, and under various objects
10. Several fun activities to teach your dog body and hind-end awareness that will be useful in dog sports
11. Describe and train for each of the six aspects of fluency—precision, latency, speed, distraction, duration, distance
12. Define, build, and maintain behavior chains, and describe their use in dog sports
13. Teach a recall to front using a fun, easy-to-follow game
14. Teach your dog to work comfortably beside you
15. Communicate the changes in pace and direction that are necessary in many dog sports
16. Teach your dog to work at a distance, both ahead of you and laterally away from you