

How to choose a Dog Trainer

We know you want the best for your dog. Reward-based training methods are shown to be more effective and better for your dog.

Choose dog trainers who:

- train with rewards like treats, food and play
- use humane, science-based methods
- make training fun for your dog
- let you watch or participate
- explain dog behaviour and body language
- work with veterinarians to help you care for your dog
- act professionally, and treat you and your dog with respect



Avoid dog trainers who:

- use punishment like shouting, pushing, hitting or leash corrections
- use shock, prong or choke collars
- refuse to let you watch or participate
- refuse to use treats or food rewards
- talk about "dominance" or "alphas"
- give medical advice or diagnoses

Trust yourself!
If a trainer or something they do makes you or your dog uncomfortable, it's okay to leave or stop to ask more questions.



Find a trainer, or learn more about AnimalKind:



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AnimalKind Dog Training



Did you know the BC SPCA has standards for humane dog training?

We can help you find a good dog trainer through our AnimalKind program. We accredit dog trainers who use humane, effective training methods.

Find a BC SPCA-recommended AnimalKind trainer, or read the standards:

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AnimalKind accredited trainers meet our standards, have been audited, and have the BC SPCA's stamp of approval.

AnimalKind dog trainers use only positive, reward-based methods. Reward-based training is effective and can improve your bond with your dog.



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