



GOT QUESTIONS?

DURING THE CLASS HOUR

During most exercises in class, the instructor and/or volunteer assistant will check in with each student to see how the task is going. If you have a question about your dog or puppy, this is a good time to ask the trainer. She may be able to answer it immediately, may table it for group discussion later in the class or may refer you to additional reading material and resources as a starting point.

There is usually a Q & A period during the last five minutes of class. This is another opportunity to ask your question in class. Odds are if you have the question, somebody else does, too! Some questions can be answered immediately, and others may be more complex or individualized than a group class can accommodate. In this case, you will be referred to reading material and other resources and possibly to a private lesson with the instructor (see below).

Some behaviors may require skills beyond your current training level; in this case, you will be encouraged to enroll in the next level of training classes upon completion of your current class.

BEFORE & AFTER CLASS

Class sessions are booked back to back, so unfortunately there is not adequate time between class sessions for individual questions. The instructor needs time to prepare for her next class, take a break if needed, consult with her volunteer assistants and give a break to her own dogs who often serve as “actor” or demo dogs. **Therefore, we ask that all questions be asked during the allotted class hour.**

OUTSIDE OF CLASS

If you have additional questions that weren't answered in class, you are encouraged to do the following:

- Visit the Training Tips page at www.SidekickDogTraining.com which includes training advice by Sidekick as well as many other great dog training resources.
- If you have not found an answer to your question, or have followed suggestions but are still in need of assistance, please e-mail the instructor (amanda@sidekickdogtraining.com). She may be able to answer your question (or point you in the right direction) or she may suggest you schedule a private lesson. Private lessons give you one-on-one time with the trainer focused specifically on you and your dog including behavior outside of the classroom. Rates can be found at www.SidekickDogTraining.com on the Private Lessons page.