

# Dog Training



## Restrained Recall

### What is Recall?

Recall is about your dog coming back every time you call, regardless of distractions. As with all commands, you should use your dog's name to get his attention, followed by the command.

Using a long training line in the garden and the park will help you to teach your dog that 'FIDO, COME, means, come back to me.

Dogs learn by building habits. Using a long training line to get 100% success when you call, 'FIDO, COME,' will help you to build that habit.

### How?

Ask someone to hold the end of the long line for you, put a tasty treat under your dog's nose, let him sniff it and really want it, but don't let him steal it. Run away, excitedly with the treat.

Go a short distance, stop, turn to face your dog, call his name and 'COME' keeping the excitement. The person holding the long line should then release the line so your dog can run to you. Praise your dog and reward with the tasty treat straight away.

Your helper can keep hold of the long line if you are worried, until you are confident dog will come to you. A long training line means you have that length to slap your foot on it, if something goes wrong.

Do make sure your dog isn't being pulled back by the person holding the lead. This needs to be a positive and exciting experience for your dog.

Make sure your dog comes right to you, and you might want to touch or hold dog's collar too. This is a great opportunity to build a positive association with someone touching his collar.

# Dog Training



You can also **use games and toys**. Think about what your dog loves most. Is it a squeaky toy, a tuggy toy, a ball ....? You need to **start gathering your tool kit** of motivators so your dog wants to come back to you.

Whatever floats your dog's boat, so to speak, keep in a bag and get them out to play and train. Don't leave these items lying around or they will have no value when you are out in the park.

You need a good motivator for your dog to come back to you when you're in the park.

You can also play, 'COME' as a family group by making sure your dog knows you all have something tasty for him and get him to run from one to the other of you using his name and 'COME' as you call him.

Call your dog from room to room in the house.

Just be sure to use **one command, one response, don't repeat your commands**.

If your dog doesn't come, turn your back, run away, making yourself very, very exciting.

You're building the habit, 'FIDO, COME,' means come to me, whatever you are doing.

Your dog will only do this, at this stage, if it's worth his while. Make sure you have your rewards at the ready.