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Quick Tips for a Quick Recall!

Mastering Recall: A Step-by-Step Guide to Coming When Called 🐾

Congratulations on taking the first step towards teaching your dog one of the most important skills they'll ever learn: coming when called! Building a strong recall foundation is essential for your dog's safety and your peace of mind. Let's dive into the key elements of effective recall training:

1. Name Recognition: Start by ensuring that your dog reliably responds to their name. Practice in low-distraction environments by saying their name in a cheerful tone and rewarding them when they look at you. This sets the stage for effective communication during recall exercises.

2. One Cue Rule: Choose a single cue, such as "Come" or "Here," and stick to it. Consistency is key for your dog to understand what you're asking of them. Use this cue every time you want your dog to return to you. And most importantly only use the cue one time.

3. Fun and Excitement: Use a fun, high-pitched tone of voice to call your dog's name and give the recall cue. Make yourself irresistible by showing enthusiasm and excitement. Your energy will encourage your dog to come running back to you.

4. Irresistible Rewards: Make coming to you the highlight of your dog's day by offering irresistible rewards. Use interactive toys or break food rewards into tiny pieces, creating a multi-course gourmet meal experience. Stretch out the reward by using a toy to help keep your dog engaged and motivated.

5. Criteria Ladder: Build a criteria ladder to gradually increase the difficulty of recall exercises while maintaining a high success rate. Start in a low-distraction environment, then gradually add distractions, distance, and duration. Aim for a 90 percent success rate before advancing to the next level.

By following these steps and staying patient and consistent, you'll empower your dog with a reliable recall that could one day save their life. Remember, every successful recall is a reason to celebrate, so be sure to shower your pup with praise and rewards each time they come running back to you.

Happy training! 🎉🐶Please contact us if you need help training your dog to come when called. LoveDogs@CourteousCanine.com