



# WEST LOS ANGELES OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB

## Conformation Class Instructions

Thank you for your interest in the West Los Angeles Obedience Training Club classes.

Our Conformation classes will be held in the area between the swimming pool and the tennis court, off Motor Avenue. Please park in the main parking lot or on the street. The tennis court parking is not part of Cheviot Hills Park and is reserved for tennis patrons.

**Our Conformation Class – for unneutered/unspayed purebred dogs seeking championship titles -- is designed to teach handlers how to show their dog in the Conformation/Breed Ring; and includes instruction on stacking, gaiting and other showing techniques.**

**Class Fee = \$130 for 6 classes**

Pre-registration is required. The 6-week session will be held on consecutive Mondays. The session will be extended if classes are rained out or other delays occur. This class offering begins each year the first Monday after daylight savings time begins and runs through the last session ending when it is over.

Drop ins are allowed with permission of the trainer. You must have filled out the online waiver and bring cash/check or use PayPal to pay the drop-in fee. Email your registrar to request approval to attend if you are not enrolled in the class.

Our classes are conducted in groups of up to 14 dogs. For the safety and consideration of all students, dogs with behavioral problems such as aggression should not be enrolled in these group classes. Such dogs and their owner/handler should take private instruction with an animal behaviorist.

**We reserve the right to dismiss unsuitable dogs from our group classes.**



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## Important Please Read

### CLASS START DATE:

Your class start date may change if we cancel a class in the current session due to rain or other unforeseen circumstances. Please be sure to check back at our website at [www.wlaotc.com](http://www.wlaotc.com) approximately one week prior to your scheduled class start date to see if the start date for your class has changed.

### CLASS CANCELLATIONS:

All of our classes are held outdoors. In the event of rain in the last 24 – 48 hours, classes will be cancelled. If there is extreme heat, there may be a cancellation. If weather is questionable, please call the WLAOTC club telephone at (310) 851-6350 to find out if your Obedience\* Class is cancelled. For evening classes, call after 3:00pm. The message will be changed **ONLY** if class is cancelled. If you hear nothing about cancellations, classes are “on” for that day!

\*Note: Conformation classes are considered the same as Obedience classes for this purpose, i.e., if Obedience classes are cancelled, so will your Conformation class.

### MAKE-UP POLICY

There are no makeups for any classes except Puppy. All other classes including conformation have a set fee for the time period the class is offered.

**There will be no refund of class fees.**

### Payment Options

Our preferred method of payment is through PayPal (a personal account) or using the credit or debit card option. This option is the same as if you were charging at a store. The link for PayPal can be found in the registration process or from the home page of our website. Problems? Contact your registrar for assistance.

If you have chosen to pay by check, please write the check payable to WLAOTC. Mailing addresses for checks will be found in the confirmation email. The registrar email is the first email in the “to” listing.



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### Items You Need for Conformation Class:

- A “show collar and lead” appropriate for your breed. If you are unsure of the type most appropriate for your breed, the instructor will assist you the first night of class.
- Lots of soft, moist training treats—we suggest you bring two different types. Recommended treats: Turkey Hotdogs; Natural Balance Roll (*cut in pencil thin strips*); Pupperoni (*available at the supermarket*), Baa Baa Ques (*freeze dried lamb*); Cheese (*careful-not all dogs can tolerate it*); and Chicken (*leftover pieces*).
- A water dish and water for your dog.
- Plastic bags in case you need to clean up after your dog.

### General Instructions:

1. Do NOT feed your dog before class. As this is a night class, feed your dog in the morning and give him “dinner” after class.
2. If you have other dogs at home, do not bring them to class. If you must bring another dog for an earlier class, please bring a crate or an x-pen to keep the extra dog.
3. Dogs in heat may attend class. Please inform the trainer and the class when your dog is in heat.
4. Please wear some type of closed-toe, athletic shoe for comfort and traction.
5. Do not park in small parking lot reserved for tennis. Park in the main parking lot, which may be entered at the stop light on Motor Ave.
6. Bring your dog to and from class on leash. Dogs MUST be on leash coming to, during and when leaving this class. Dogs may not run or play free at the park.
7. If weather is questionable, please call the WLAOTC club telephone at (310) 851-6350 to find out if your Obedience\* Class is cancelled. \*Note: Conformation is considered an Obedience class for this purpose.

