



Start with a certified dog trainer! *

Look for trainers who have passed a written and/or hands-on examination of their knowledge of dog behavior, training theory and teaching skills. Check out the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers (ccpdt.org), The International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants (iaabc.org).

What qualities should you look for in a trainer?

1. Holds the proper certification, as listed above.
2. Emphasizes rewards-based training methods.
 - These methods focus on teaching the dog what to do and managing the dog's environment to prevent mistakes rather than punishing them.
3. Does not guarantee results.
 - Trainers should recognize and acknowledge the complexity of both human and dog behavior

**If your dog is experiencing serious aggression, fear or anxiety, skip right to a veterinary behaviorist.*

If you still need more help after seeing a certified trainer, visit a veterinary behaviorist.

Veterinary behaviorists are veterinarians who have completed a residency with a specialty in animal behavior and have passed a qualifying examination. A list of veterinary behaviorists can be found at dacvb.org. Click the "For the Public" tab, then "Find a Board Certified Behaviorist."

Certified Trainers

Virtual Only

Petcademy - <https://petcademy.org/about/> - SMS consulting service

Note many trainers are providing virtual services in addition to or instead of in-person services. Check with providers directly.

Manhattan

Andrea Arden – andreaarden.com – info@andreaarden.com – (212) 414-9597

Instinct Dog Behavior and Training – instinctdogtraining.com – info@instinctdogtraining.com – (212) 828-3647

Wag the Dog – wagthedognyc.com – info@wagthedognyc.com – (347) 469-3971

Raise the Woof – raisethewoofnyc.com – info@raisethewoofnyc.com – (917) 207-7215

Paws for Thought Dog Training – pawsforthoughttraining.com – info@pawsforthoughttraining.com – (914) 863-1656

Shelby Semel Dog Training – www.shelbydogtraining.com – Contact@ShelbyDogTraining.com – (516) 637-3750

Mike Preis Dog Training – mikepreisdogtraining.com – mikepreisdogtraining@gmail.com – (917) 862-5704

Brooklyn

Pumpkin Pups – pumpkinpups.com – info.pumpkins@gmail.com – (646) 727-0992

Wag the Dog – wagthedognyc.com – info@wagthedognyc.com – (347) 469-3971

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Dharma Dog Training – dharmadognyc.com – alison@dharmadognyc.com – (347) 683-8760

2B Dog Training – 2bdogtraining.com – (917) 364-7644

Queens

Good to the Bone – goodtothebonenyc.com – info@goodtothebonenyc.com – (516) 967-8177

Paws for Thought Dog Training – pawsforthoughttraining.com – info@pawsforthoughttraining.com – (914) 863-1656

Happy Hounds – happyhoundstraining.com – nyhappyhounds@gmail.com - (347) 732-9438

Mike Preis Dog Training – mikepreisdogtraining.com – mikepreisdogtraining@gmail.com – (917) 862-5704

Bronx

Wag the Dog – wagthedognyc.com – info@wagthedognyc.com – (347) 469-3971

Canine King – canineking.com – (914) 779-0334

New Jersey

Give Paw Dog Training – givepaw.com – contact via website

Instinct Dog Behavior and Training – instinctdogtraining.com – info@instinctdogtraining.com – (201) 627-0066

The Inner Dog – theinnerdog.com – theinnerdogbehavior@gmail.com – (732) 963-7101

Upstate NY

Dot's Dog Training – Lower Dutchess & Putnam County – dotsdogtraining.com – info@dotsdogtraining.com – (845) 204-3892

Instinct Dog Behavior and Training – instinctdogtraining.com – info@instinctdogtraining.com – (914) 639-6999

Canine King – Westchester – canineking.com – (914) 779-0334

Young Lion Training and Behavior, LLC – youngliontraining.com – info@youngliontraining.com

Long Island

DeMarinis Dog Training – demarinisdogtraining.com – anthony@demarinisdogtraining.com – (516) 582-7877

Happy Hounds – happyhoundstraining.com – nyhappyhounds@gmail.com - (347) 732-9438

Multiple Locations

Petco – Various locations nationwide – <https://www.petco.com/shop/en/petcostore/s/petco-dog-training>

PetSmart – Various locations nationwide – <https://services.petsmart.com/training>

Veterinary Behaviorists

Animal Medical Center - <https://www.amcn.org/pet-owners/specialties/behavior/>

Animal Behavior Clinic New Jersey – animalbehaviorclinicnj.com – info@animalbehaviorclinicnj.com – (201) 212-6448

Texas Veterinary Behavior Service – Virtual consultations – texasvetbehavior.com – info@texasvetbehavior.com – (281) 980-3737

Animal Behavior Clinic – Virtual consultations – animalbehaviorclinic.net – info@animalbehaviorclinic.net – (503) 236-7833

The Veterinary Behavior Center – Virtual consultations – www.vetbehaviorcenter.com/vet-to-vet-teleconsult – info@vetbehaviorcenter.com – (303) 536-1802

Directories

<https://iaabc.org/consultants>

<https://www.ccpdt.org/dog-owners/certified-dog-trainer-directory/>

<https://www.dacvb.org/search/custom.asp?id=4709>

<https://karenpryoracademy.com/find-a-trainer>

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