I hereby apply for training in the Portsmouth-Chesapeake Obedience Training Club, Inc. (PCOTC) and agree to abide by the Standing Guidelines of PCOTC and AKC responsible dog owners pledge. I have enclosed fees in the amount of $\$ 125.00$ for Basic Class and Canine Good Citizen test (CGC). CGC test given by AKC approved evaluator (Reduced rate of $\$ 115.00$ available for rescues with proof from rescue organization) or $\$ 100.00$ for Advanced Class. (All fees money order or check)

Only the person having submitted an application and paid the full training fee may participate in training classes. Training fees are per handler, not per dog.
*As condition of acceptance of this application, the agreement on the following pages and Training Rules must be signed. *

## PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRINT NEATLY

Name: $\qquad$ Age if under 18 $\qquad$
Address: $\qquad$
City: $\qquad$ State: $\qquad$ Zip: $\qquad$
Home Phone: ( ) $\qquad$ $\square$ Cell Phone: ( ) $\qquad$
(Please check preferred phone if we should need to reach you)
Emergency Contact \#1 $\qquad$
Emergency Contact \#2 $\qquad$ Phone Number ( ) $\qquad$ Phone Number ( ) $\qquad$
E-mail Address: $\qquad$
(Print clearly) Training Information and Notices will be sent to this email address and updated on Facebook.
How did you learn about our club or classes? $\qquad$


Dogs name: $\qquad$
Breed of Dog: $\qquad$ Age: $\qquad$
Male or Female: $\qquad$ Neutered, Spayed, Intact (Circle)

Veterinarian: $\qquad$

Attach a copy of most recent immunization records - Distemper-combo, Bordetella and copy of Rabies Certificate.
*Dogs will not be allowed in class without Immunization Record and Rabies Certificate* No exceptions!

Have you ever trained a dog before?Yes $\square$ No

When \& where $\qquad$

## Advanced Class Training:

**To attend Advanced class, you must have CGC certificate and/or approval from Training Director** CGC certificate? $\square \mathrm{Yes} \square \mathrm{No}$
Approved by Training Director $\square$ Yes $\square$ No Training Director Signature: $\qquad$

## No Registration will be accepted without full payment. No refunds will be given after class orientation.

Please attach a copy of your pet's immunization record and copy of rabies certificate to the completed application and signed Training Rules along with a check or Money Order made payable to PCOTC for appropriate class.

Mail Application to: PCOTC, P.O. Box 3736, Portsmouth, VA 23701

## Training Classes / Testing / Titles

Basic Class - a basic training course for dogs aimed at training you to train your dog. Emphasis is on the basic training needed to make the dog a good companion. You and your dog will be taught the 10 basic exercises needed to pass the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) test.
Canine Good Citizen Test - is offered by AKC dog clubs and that includes PCOTC. You and your dog will need to know 10 exercises taught in a basic training class. The CGC test is a pass or fail test and may be retaken if necessary. The set of 10 exercises are meant to demonstrate confidence and control of your dog and are not a competition.
Advanced Class - is for owners/dogs who wish to continue training to strengthen their skills and the bond between owner and dog. This class is aimed at helping to prepare for Obedience and Rally Trials if that is the owner's intent, but not the sole purpose of the class. Instructor approval required for admission to advanced class.

## AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS, WAIVER AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I understand that attendance of a dog obedience training class is not without risk to myself, members of my family or any guest who may attend, or to my dog, because some of the dogs to which I will be exposed may be difficult to control and may be the cause of injury, even when handled with the greatest of care.

I hereby waive and release PORTSMOUTH-CHESAPEAKE OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB, INC. (PCOTC) herein referred to as the "Training Organization", its employees, officers, members and agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer, including specifically, but without limitation, any injury or damage from the action of any dog, and I expressly assume the risk of such damage or injury while attending any training sessions, or any function of the TRAINING ORGANIZATION, or while on the training grounds or the surrounding area.

In consideration of and as inducement to the acceptance of my application for training membership by this TRAINING ORGANIZATION, I hereby agree to abide by the attached Training Rules and to indemnify and hold harmless this TRAINING ORGANIZATION, its employees, officers, members and agents from any and all claims, or claims by any member of any family or any person accompanying me to any training session or function to the TRAINING ORGANIZATION, or while on the training grounds or the surrounding area thereto as a result of any action by any dog including my own.

## I Agree to Training Rules and Terms of Waiver:

Print Name: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$

## Signature of Parent if under the age of 18

Name of Owner (if different from name application)

Address $\qquad$
City $\qquad$ State $\qquad$ Zip $\qquad$
Signature of Owner $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$

## PHOTO RELEASE:

I, $\qquad$ , understand that PCOTC may take photographs and/or video recordings during training classes and I hereby give PCOTC permission to record, videotape and photograph my image and/or voice to be used in publications, including electronic publications, audiovisual presentations, promotional literature, advertising, community presentations, and social media and/or other similar ways. I agree that PCOTC will have complete ownership of such pictures, etc., including the entire copyright, and I acknowledge that I will not receive any compensation for the use of such photographs/videos.

Print Name: $\qquad$ Applicant's Signature: $\qquad$
Date: $\qquad$
Signature of Parent if under age of 18 $\qquad$


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Application Received by: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Session \# $\qquad$
Check \$ $\qquad$ Check Number $\qquad$
Money Order \$ $\qquad$ Money Order Number $\qquad$
Receipt \#: $\qquad$
Rabies Expiration Date $\qquad$ Rescue Verified (Initial) $\qquad$

- IMPORTANT - We must have a copy of your Rabies certificate and shot record before your dog can be in class. (Handlers are welcome to attend and watch until they bring us a copy, but dogs may not come to class until we have a copy) No exceptions.
- Things to bring to class: Collar appropriate for age and size of your dog, 6 ft lead, small soft treats if needed for training. Chain training collars will be available for purchase when appropriate and approved by the training director/class instructor. Price of collars will be based on type and size.
- Only the person that submitted application and paid full training fee may participate in class. Anyone that has not signed up for class will be required to sign an insurance waiver, even to watch. Those under 18 will need parental consent.
- Anyone bringing children into the Club training area or meeting must always keep them under control (no running, playing, interacting with students' dogs, etc.). Adults must sign an insurance waiver.
- The training director/class instructor reserves the right to dismiss any dog deemed to be overly aggressive/reactive or any dog suspected of having a contagious disease.
- Exercise your dog before class, especially if you have a high energy dog. You want to let them expend excess energy but not be so tired they are not willing to work for you.
- Each dog and handler will learn differently and at different rates. Don't be discouraged if the dog next to you is learning faster than your dog. We try to give as much individual attention as possible and provide alternate instruction if something isn't working with you and your dog.
- Practice what you learn in class but keep training sessions to short $10-15 \mathrm{~min}$ sessions twice a day.
- Never train when you are upset or angry; your emotions go right down the lead to the dog, and that never makes for successful training. Training should be fun for you and your dog.
- Wear appropriate clothing and shoes that will stay on your feet securely, i.e., no flip flops while training.
- Take potty or rest breaks, as needed. Young dogs may not be able to hold their bladder or stay focused for an hour. (If your dog does have an accident, we do have supplies for you to clean up after them.)
- Everyone is required to clean up after their dogs if they potty outside. Forgot your waste bags, we have some.
- Female dogs in season may not be brought to class but we encourage handlers to attend.
- Do not allow your dog to socialize with other dogs in class. You don't know how the other dog might react and we want your dog to understand they are there to learn and partner with you, this is not social/play time.
- We do use separate doors to enter and exit. Make sure that you know what is on the other side of the door before you enter/exit. Proper door etiquette will be taught on the first night of class.
- There will be a sign in sheet and name tags on the table each week, please sign in each night and wear a name tag.
- Park around the perimeter of the parking lot, if weather permits, we may work the dogs outside.
- We will make every effort to email you if we don't have class due to inclement weather and will always add to our Facebook page. Please like our page and check often for updates and information.

PCOTC reserves the right to dismiss anyone from class who does not abide by our rules.

## Please retain this page for your records.

We are a $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ volunteer club! If you're 18 or older, love dogs and are interested in being involved with PCOTC, please ask your trainer for more information.

