

# BOARDING SCHOOL RULES!

## DETAILS/RULES - CPC BOARDING SCHOOL PROGRAM



# WHAT TO BRING

## OR, NOT BRING!

- ▶ Please bring a **BRAND NEW, UNOPENED BAG** (or two) of your dog's current dry food. Bring enough to last one week past your dog's scheduled stay - most dogs stay in boarding school for about 28 days.
- ▶ Please do **NOT** bring your dog's food in any kind of container other than its original bag! We don't have room to babysit your food container! Plus, we need to know EXACTLY what food your dog is eating!
- ▶ Please **DO** bring a couple of *big* bags of your dog's favorite treats. Bring those in a new, unopened bags/boxes, too. CPC gives all dogs a treat EVERY time it enters its kennel and sometimes treats are placed on top of meals or used for training. Eating treats your dog is not used to can cause an upset stomach and diarrhea, so please bring yours.
- ▶ Please do **NOT** bring any extra food supplements or raw or canned food, unless your dog has severe allergies and/or unless your veterinarian has prescribed a special diet. Your dog should be just fine without these items for the short stay at CPC. **Please let us know in advance if your dog requires these items and/or is on a special diet!**
- ▶ Please **DO** bring any and all medications your vet has prescribed for your dog, including HeartWorm preventative. Please include detailed instructions. NOTE: Other preventatives, such as Frontline, Advantage, Program and Pet Armor are NOT MEDICATIONS and can be skipped for one month.
- ▶ **PLEASE DO NOT ADMINISTER FRONTLINE OR OTHER FLEA TREATMENTS TO YOUR DOG RIGHT BEFORE YOU BRING HIM/HER FOR TRAINING!** It causes the entire kennel area, training room, our home and your dog to stink badly for days!
- ▶ **If you have it, please bring your dog's regular collar with tags, including Rabies tag.**
- ▶ **PLEASE BRING DISPOSABLE BEDDING MATERIAL!** TWO beds and TWO blankets (or big towels) for each dog. Dogs without beds/blankets will live on concrete, plastic and dirt....grass in the spring and summer. The blanket provides 'nesting' material atop the bed or a replacement if the bed gets ruined. If your dog destroys or makes a potty mess on its bedding it will be disposed of in the trash. Your dog's beds and blankets will more than likely be disposed of anyway, as a month in a kennel environment seems to cause bedding to become very dirty, hairy and often stinky. **DO NOT BRING** your Grandmother's quilt or a two hundred dollar dog bed! Costco and Sam's Club sell great, large dog beds for usually no more than around \$26. Big R in Conifer sells really nice camouflage dog beds for \$39!
- ▶ Most dogs seem to enjoy rolling in the fine dirt here in the mountains and end up getting VERY dirty, so expect a dusty dog on the day you arrive to retrieve him/her. So sorry, no dog bathing facilities!
- ▶ Please limit toys, bones and other such items to a minimum. ONE of each will do just fine. Please do **NOT** bring toys that can be easily destroyed by a bored, anxious or nervous dog, such as stuffed animals or rope toys. Kong and Nylabone brands seem to be virtually indestructible and can be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
- ▶ Please **DO NOT BRING** rawhide chews, rope toys, stuffed animals or any toys/chews/balls that are smaller than a tennis ball (unless you have a very small dog.) CPC provides 'real' bones, Nylabone and Kong toys, as well as tennis balls for dogs that are interested in a game of fetch. If your dog has a special, indestructible toy, bring it along!
- ▶ **Please DO NOT BRING crates/cages, food dishes, water buckets or anything that is not listed above.**

# NECESSARY PAPERWORK

## AGREEMENTS, VACCINATIONS, ETC.

► **Requirements Checklist:** Questions? 303.995.0132 / [dogpsychology101@yahoo.com](mailto:dogpsychology101@yahoo.com)

- ☑ **Waiver** - You should have already signed the Waiver at or before the Evaluation Lesson.
- ☑ **Behavior Profile** - Same as waiver.....questions? Call or text 303.995.0132 NOW!
- ☑ **Boarding Agreement** - You will be provided with a copy of that agreement via email before you deliver your dog to CPC for training. You will be given instructions on how to get this back to CPC.
- ☑ **Training Agreement** - Same as boarding agreement.....
- ☑ **Proof of Current Vaccinations** - Proof from your veterinarian is mandatory and must be provided to CPC **BEFORE** your dog will be accepted for training. Your dog will NOT be accepted at CPC without this information. If you show up with your dog for boarding school without proof of vaccinations in your hand you will be turned away! No exceptions!
  - **Rabies** (current, official rabies certificate (or a copy) and rabies tag on collar) **STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO PRODUCE AN OFFICIAL RABIES CERTIFICATE**
  - **Distemper** (booster usually includes distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus, parainfluenza and sometimes leptospirosis and/or coronavirus)
  - **Bordatella** (AKA 'kennel cough'. Vets are now suggesting Bordatella, regardless if your dog is boarding or not.
    - You can Fax to 303.816.9436 or,
    - Snail-mail to 13430 South Choctaw Street, Pine, CO 80470 or,
    - Scan and then email to [dogpsychology101@yahoo.com](mailto:dogpsychology101@yahoo.com)
      - Vaccinations can cause fatigue, listlessness and sometimes subtle illness in animals. Please do not wait until the last minute to get your dog properly vaccinated! If your dog requires additional shots before staying at CPC, please try to get this done at least 5 days prior to leaving your dog with us for training.
      - NOTE: If your dog has been placed on ANY kind of mind-altering drug, such as Prozac or Clomicalm, please have your veterinarian contact us BEFORE dropping your dog off with us for training to discuss this critical issue. Unless there is an emergency situation or a very dangerous dog, we will usually NOT work with a dog UNTIL it has been fully weaned off the mind-altering medication. Have your vet contact Suzi at 303.995.0132 / [dogpsychology101@yahoo.com](mailto:dogpsychology101@yahoo.com)

- Proof of Clean Fecal Sample** - Proof from your veterinarian is mandatory and must be provided to CPC BEFORE your dog will be accepted for training. Your dog will NOT be accepted at CPC without this information. If you show up with your dog for boarding/training without proof of clean fecal sample in your hand you will be turned away! No exceptions!
- The fecal exam should be done 10 to 15 days prior to your dog's stay at CPC. If you wait until the last minute and it turns out that your dog's stool is not clean, CPC will NOT accept your dog for boarding school.
  - If your dog does have internal parasites, most medications take around 10 days to fully clear/clean the dog's system. Another fecal sample must be tested after the medication is finished.
  - Your dog MUST be free of fleas and other parasites, both internal and external BEFORE staying at CPC!
  - You will be financially responsible if your dog is known to have internal or external parasites, or is not tested, and then infects/infests any other dogs at CPC.
  - To have a stool sample tested, simply take a large-marble-sized piece of your dog's **FRESH** stool to your veterinarian's office and request a 'fecal panel'. 'Fresh' means no more than 3 (three) hours old! The fecal panel will rule out such parasites as Giardia, Coccidia, Roundworm, Hookworm and Whipworm.
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## **OTHER IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- NO dogs will be taken in or sent home on Sundays or holidays. No exceptions!
- ONLY dogs from ages 10 months to 10 years will be accepted for the Boarding School program. This rule is strictly adhered to due to maturity levels, health issues, potential stress problems and potty training set backs.
- If your dog has never stayed at CPC before, you must have him/her checked in for boarding between 9am and 12pm on the day of drop off. If this is not possible, you must reschedule.
- **It is highly recommended that you go through 'good byes' with your dog the night before you bring him/her for training. Then, act completely normal on the day of drop-off at CPC.**
- NO INTACT FEMALES IN HEAT will be accepted. If your intact female comes into heat while at CPC she will be sent home with you for the duration of the heat, usually about 3 weeks. She can return to CPC once her heat cycle is completely finished.
- If your male dog (or female dog) will urinate inside his own kennel, or your home, he will not be accepted for boarding at CPC. If your dog is not TOTALLY housebroken, CPC will NOT accept your dog for boarding, whether for training or **'VACATION BOARDING'**. Dogs that live outdoors 24/7 can go potty when/where they want and are NOT considered housebroken.
- **WARNING:** CPC will do everything in its power to see to it that your dog is very well taken care of, but please know that a boarding kennel environment can cause stress in a dog. Many dogs will not

eat meals in their usual manner, may lose or gain some weight or may somehow receive minor cuts or bruises or other minor injuries that the trainer does not catch. This is very rare, though!

- CPC does not have the time to brush your dog, or its teeth, on a daily basis. Once or twice per week will suffice for the duration of his/her stay at CPC. Tooth brushing will be done ONLY with dogs that are already trained to accept this procedure!
- ALL BOARDING/TRAINING COSTS MUST BE PAID IN FULL ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY, unless other arrangements have been made prior to your dog's arrival at CPC.
- We prefer cash or check/money order made out to 'CPC'. However, to pay with a credit/debit card, please request our direct link to PayPal. 303.995.0132 / [dogpsychology101@yahoo.com](mailto:dogpsychology101@yahoo.com) - Clients are responsible for the 2.9% PayPal fee!

*Owner, CEO and Master Trainer at CPC, Suzi Schaefer, with some of the CPC pack, 2006 - L to R: Jack, Jessie, Dufresne (pron. Dufrane) and Phoenix*



*Photos on first page: Top - "Chance" (Rottweiler X) / Bottom right - "Dillon" & "Stella" (Border Collies), Bottom left - Wire kennels in which your dog will be housed during down times at CPC*