

# Austin K-9 Xpress Beginner Agility Class Registration Packet

Thank you for your interest in our "<u>Level 1: Beginner Agility</u>" class. This is your registration packet, which includes: registration form, two sets of field rules (one for the agility club and one for our landowner), and two liability waivers.

Entry to this class is on a pre-registration basis ONLY and is limited to 6 participants. This class costs \$150 per dog. Persons showing up to class without pre-registering will not be admitted. Forms and checks must be received and approved <u>before</u> class begins. We expect this class to fill quickly and your spot in class is not reserved until your registration is received and approved. Refunds will be issued up to one week prior to class.

### 2019 Spring Beginner Agility Class Schedule

Your group will meet for 8 sessions, even if a class needs to be moved because of inclement weather or an instructor scheduling conflict. Please review the dates & ensure that this series fits your schedule.

*Tuesday evenings* at 7:30-8:30 PM, starting February 19. Anticipated end date is April 9. Class instructors are Danielle Madrid and Peg MacCallum.

### **Registration Process:**

- **<u>Step 1</u>**: Please read everything in this packet carefully. In this series, we cover foundation skills training & introduce agility obstacles. If you have any questions, please <u>email us</u> prior to registration.
- **Step 2:** Complete the following forms: (1) Class registration form with one class time chosen, (2) Austin K-9 Xpress liability waiver, and (3) Wikazri Canine Sports Field liability waiver.
- **<u>Step 3</u>**: Send your completed forms (pages 2, 6, and 7) and a \$150 check to us. Checks are payable to "Austin K-9 Xpress" and must be mailed. Keep the field rules for your reference.

By mail to:	Austin K-9 Xpress Agility Training Club c/o Laurie Nowlin, Membership Coordinator		
12612 Cricoli Drive			
	Austin, TX 78739		

**By email to**: <u>dcarducc@gmail.com</u> (Put "Beginner Class" in subject line) If emailing forms, please mail your check to the above address.

When your registration is received and approved, you will receive a confirmation email with additional instructions about your first class.

## Austin K-9 Xpress Agility Training Club

### Spring 2019 Beginner Class Registration Form – Tuesdays, starting Feb 19 Mail forms to: 12612 Cricoli Drive, Austin, TX 78739

How did you hear about us? $\Box$ web search $\Box$ referred by a dog trainer $\Box$ referred by	□ Nextdoor/other neighborhood email list a friend/coworker □ other:			
Handler Name(s):				
Address:				
City:	State: Zip:			
Email:				
	_ Evening Phone:			
Is the handler for this dog age 18 or older?	$\Box$ yes $\Box$ no (handler's age:)			
Dog's Name:	Breed (or approx mix):			
Dog's Age: Weight:	Gender: Spay/neuter? □ yes □ no			
What is your goal for this class?				
Has this dog ever attended an obedience/manners class? yes no Is this dog generally behaved while on leash? yes no Is your dog comfortable around other people? yes no Is your dog comfortable around other dogs? yes no Has this dog had experience with clicker training? Which of the following commands does this dog know? which of the following commands does this dog know? What other training have you had with this dog? If dog has had training while being handled by someone else, please describe:				

Use the back of this form to tell us if there anything else we should know about your dog.



# AUSTIN K-9 XPRESS Club Rules & Code of Conduct

## **General Rules**

- 1. Dogs must be under owner's control at all times. The club reserves the right to excuse off the property any dog that demonstrates aggression towards people or other dogs.
- 2. Austin K-9 Xpress (K9X) is a positive training club. We do not allow the use of prong collars, choke collars or electronic training collars while working on the field and around the equipment. Harnesses and head collars (also known as a "Halti" or "Gentle Leader") are also not safe to use around agility equipment. Flat buckle or quick release collars are allowed (no hanging tags). We also allow martingale/limited-slip collars (aka "Premier" or greyhound collars).
- 3. Class participants must be current on field fees. Use of the field outside of classes is for K9X members only who are current on their field fees. If you work your dog early or late, please keep all noise down. Remember that Wikazri Training Field is in a residential area. A barking dog at 6 a.m. on Sunday morning is not welcome. Basic hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. every day.
- 4. Use the grass near the parking area to walk your dog and <u>always pick up after your</u> <u>dog</u>. Only Wikazri members or K9X members who are current on field usage fees may use the general exercise field. You can deposit your waste bags in the trashcan provided in the agility field area.
- 5. Bitches in season are not allowed on the agility field (or the Wikazri field).
- Members using the facilities agree to maintain the site, including returning any stored equipment to its proper place (chute, tunnels, tunnel supports, cones, etc. in the shed). If the A-frame height is changed for training purposes it must be returned to the 5'6" (middle) height when finished.
- 7. The use of the club's equipment or the facilities by children or adults who are not K9X members or class participants is strictly prohibited.
- 8. Be considerate of others while using the field when working outside classes. Share the equipment and help put the equipment away when you are finished.

## Austin K-9 Xpress Beginner Class Rules

- 1. Be kind to your dog. Austin K-9 Xpress is a positive training club, and this class is taught using positive reinforcement-based methods. <u>No</u> harsh or rough treatment of dogs will be tolerated.
- 2. Arrive 10 minutes before class begins.
- 3. Bring only the dog enrolled in class.
- 4. No metal or cloth slip collars, prong collars, electronic collars, or retractable leashes are allowed. Flat buckle or martingale collars are recommended.
- 5. Keep your dog on leash at all times unless directed to do otherwise by the instructor.
- 6. Be aware and respectful of the space around you and your dog during class. Maintain at least six feet between your dog and others. No on-leash greetings or play are permitted.
- 7. Do not allow your dog to eliminate (potty) on the agility field or equipment. If this does happen, alert the instructors, clean up after your dog, and dispose of waste in the trash can located outside of the agility field front gate.
- 8. Non-members are not allowed to walk their dogs around the big Wikazri field, on or off leash, unless they have joined Wikazri separately. Non-members may walk their dogs in the parking area. Again, clean up after your dog and dispose of waste in the trash cans located inside the Wikazri field.
- 9. The agility equipment is for dogs only; humans of any age are not allowed to play, stand, or sit on equipment.
- 10. Dogs will not be tied to fencing, posts, or obstacles. Crates and pens are available at the field. Students may also bring their own crate.
- 11. Dogs may not interfere with other dogs' safety or ability to participate in class. The instructor reserves the right to remove any such dog from the class for the safety and protection of others.
- 12. Austin K-9 Xpress is not responsible for injuries to people or to dogs using the facilities or equipment. Students and those accompanying them are responsible for their own safety at all times while at our field.

## Wikazri Canine Sports Field Rules

- 1. Common sense should prevail in all activities at Wikazri. Be courteous to other people who are using the field at the same time.
- 2. Keep an eye on your dog(s) at all times. Keep dogs under control so that they do not interfere with other activities that may be going on at the same time.
- 3. If aggressive behavior is displayed, take immediate action: Either move your dog to another area of the field, leave the field, or do whatever you need to do to prevent the behavior (redirect the behavior, time-out, etc.). Aggressive dogs may not run leash-free if other dogs or humans are on the common area.
- 4. Be polite pick up and dispose of animal waste.
- 5. Dogs must be up to date on vaccinations.
- 6. Curb excessive barking. This is a residential neighborhood.
- 7. Do not bring dogs in heat or sick dogs.
- 8. The main field lock combination may not be given out to any non-member.
- 9. Field members may bring a human friend, but may not bring in other dogs without prior arrangement with the field owners.
- 10. Private lessons, group obedience classes, or other training classes may not be conducted without prior arrangements with the field owners.
- 11. Please notify the owners if you notice any repairs that need to be made, or any unsafe conditions.
- 12. Field hours are 7 AM to 9:30 PM.
- 13. The owners reserve the right to excuse off the property any dog or human that demonstrates violent aggression against any dog, human, or animal inhabitant of Wikazri.

Kim Galusha, Owner

Cynthia Garner, Owner

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Austin K-9 Xpress Agility Training Club

www.k9x.org/

# **INDEMNIFICATION AND LIABILITY WAIVER**

1. UNDERSTANDING OF RISK. I understand that participation in any Austin K-9 Xpress Agility Training Club ("K9X") activity is not without inherent risks due to the physical nature of the sport of agility and because any dog has the ability to cause injury. I also understand that bringing dogs together can lead to transmission of certain diseases among dogs, and I take full responsibility for protecting and/or treating my dog for any disease(s) to which my dog may be exposed while participating in a K9X activity. "K9X activity" includes any agility event (e.g., trials, seminars, etc.) sponsored by K9X or any use of the K9X field with or without supervision, including, but not limited to, agility trials and matches, training classes and seminars, and individual and group practice.

2. **MY LIABILITY/INDEMNIFICATION.** I agree that I will be personally liable and financially responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to any dog, person or property caused by myself, my children, my property or any dog in my custody while I am participating in any K9X activity, and I will indemnify and hold harmless K9X and its employees, trainers, members, agents and Board members and the owner(s) of the premises for any such loss, damage or injury.

3. NO K9X/PREMISES OWNER LIABILITY. I further agree that I bear all risk in participating in any K9X activity and that K9X and its employees, trainers, members, agents and Board members and the owner(s) of the premises upon which a K9X activity occurs shall have no liability whatsoever for any loss, damage, or injury to myself, my children, any dog in my custody or my property regardless of how caused, even if negligently caused, or by whom.

4. I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CLUB'S "RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT."

Signature (Parent or guardian if a minor): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (if second handler):

Printed name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this completed page with your class registration form.

## Wikazri Canine Sports Field

## **Indemnification and Liability Waiver**

- 1. Understanding of Risk. I understand that using Wikazri Canine Sports Field is not without inherent risks due to the nature of an undeveloped field/land and because any dog has the ability to cause injury.
- 2. **My Liability/Indemnification.** I agree that I will be personally liable and financially responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to any dog, person or property caused by myself, my children, my property or any dog in my custody while I am using Wikazri Canine Sports Field; and I will indemnify and hold harmless Wikazri and its owners and agents for any such loss, damage or injury.
- 3. **No Premises Owner Liability.** I further agree that I bear all risk in using Wikazri Canine Sports Field and that Wikazri's owners and agents shall have no liability whatsoever for any loss, damage, or injury to myself, my children, any dog in my custody or my property regardless of how caused, even if negligently caused, or by whom.
- 4. Field Rules. I have read and understand the rules of the field and agree to abide by them.

Signature	Date
Printed Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Phone (home)	(work/mobile)
Email	

### Return this completed page with your class registration form.

## Final checklist for class registration

#### 1. Is this class appropriate for me and my dog?

Dogs and handlers will be working outside, on-leash around other people and dogs. Dogs will occasionally work off-leash. Dogs not comfortable in this type of situation may require more obedience/manners training before starting agility. Please contact us prior to enrollment if you are unsure whether you and your dog are ready for agility classes.

2. Does the class fit my schedule? Refunds will only be issued up to one week prior to the first class.

#### 3. Do I have additional questions?

If so, please contact your primary instructor, <u>Danielle Madrid</u> (<u>dcarducc@gmail.com</u>), prior to registration [include "Beginner Class" in the email subject line].

#### 4. Do my dog and I have previous agility experience?

(e.g., beginning agility/introduction to obstacles, a 6-week or longer class)

If you and your dog have taken agility classes elsewhere, please contact your primary instructor, <u>Danielle Madrid</u> (<u>dcarducc@gmail.com</u>), prior to registration [put "Beginner Class" in subject line]. You can review class descriptions on our website: <u>http://www.k9x.org/dog-agility-classes/</u>

#### 5. Am I ready to send the following items to K9X?

(Reminder: forms and checks must be received and approved <u>before</u> class begins. Persons showing up to class without pre-registering will not be admitted. Be sure to keep the class and field rules for your reference.)

□ Registration form

□ Both liability waivers (one is for the club, and one is for our landowner)

□ \$150 check, made payable to "Austin K-9 Xpress"

Note: Payment and registration are <u>per dog</u>. Two people may handle the same dog at no extra charge, but no person may handle more than one dog at the beginner level.

### 6. Complete registration packets may be mailed to:

Austin K-9 Xpress Agility Training Club c/o Laurie Nowlin, Membership Coordinator 12612 Cricoli Drive Austin, TX 78739

OR

Email your registration packet to your primary instructor, <u>Danielle Madrid</u> [put "Beginner Class" in subject line], AND send the check to the mailing address. Please make sure your full name is on the check and that it matches the name on the registration form.

### 7. Have I received a confirmation email?

When your registration is approved, you will receive a confirmation email and additional instructions regarding how to prepare for the first class. If the start date is approaching and you have not received this confirmation email, please contact your primary instructor, <u>Danielle</u> <u>Madrid</u> (<u>dcarducc@gmail.com</u>), and put "Beginner Class" in the subject line.