



LESSON: Recall

Goal: To have a reliable recall in which you can call your dog to you quickly and consistently for safety regardless of circumstances.

- 1) Put a treat to your dog's nose and then toss it away. Allow your dog to find the treat and begin eating it.
- 2) Say the dog's name then, "come".
- 3) Mark "yes" when your dog is returning to you.
- 4) Grab the collar and treat with 3 high value treats, one after another.
- 5) Repeat X 5.
- 6) **PING PONG** A family affair. Each person has a handful of high value treats. One by one take turns calling the dog using the dog's name then, "come". When the dog comes to the person who called, that person marks "yes" and rewards.
- 7) **DISTANCE** Gradually increase the distance from where you recall your pup, 1ft at a time. You may use a long line here.
- 8) **DISTRACTION** Practice your recall outside.
- 9) **PRO TIP** If your dog is struggling to recall to you, change your position so that you are in your dog's line of sight and make prompting noises.

SINGLE CUE: Do not be a broken record. Cue "come" once and be patient.

ADJUSTMENTS FOR SUCCESS: If your dog is struggling with recall you may be too far away, your distractions may be too high, and/or your treats may be too low value. Keep recall positive, reward generously. NEVER punish your dog for coming to you.