

DOGGIE DAYCARE OPTIONAL HANDLING PERMISSION FORM



CREEKSIDE
24/7
PET CARE CENTER

Pet Name _____ Client Name: Last _____, First _____

Client Phone (H) _____ (C) _____ (W) _____ Email _____

Pet Description: Breed: _____ Color: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M F Spayed/Neutered: Y N

Please initial the recommended optional handling/activity that you will permit for your dog while in Doggie Daycare (DDC):

____ **ELECTRONIC BARK COLLAR:** *Permission for limited use in day care as a self-teaching / training tool*

For some dogs in our daycare, excessive barking is a behavior that can cause them to be banned from the program as it creates tension among the dog pack thus affecting the safe and happy environment in DDC. Common causes of excessive barking are attention seeking, separation anxiety, lack of trust in handlers and strangers, or as part of herding behavior, none of which are balanced behaviors in daycare. The staff will work with your dog using assertive leadership techniques to help a dog understand that such vocalizing is unacceptable. If a dog should continue to bark without progress toward more stable behavior, staff may have to prohibit the dog from attending. As an option to this ban from Daycare, you can also allow us to safely use our Tritonics electronic bark collar as a training tool. We do not use this tool indiscriminately or for extended time periods. The pulse level is low, which you can experience yourself upon request. The goal with the bark collar is not to scare or punish dogs for barking, but rather to allow dogs to choose calm and stable behavior which lets them better experience canine socialization. Many clients report that their dogs are more calm at home as an additional benefit from this training.

____ **ELECTRONIC REMOTE TRAINING COLLAR:** *Introduction to / use of CPCC remote electronic training collar*

Other possible causes for rejecting a new dog or prohibiting an existing dog from daycare are issues such as constant mounting (domination behavior), strong nipping as a part of a dog's play behavior, extreme coprophagia (poop eating), fence fighting or jumping, uncontrolled running (causes confusion and compromises safety in the pack), refusal to go outside or back inside without being leashed, and aggression in selective situations. The staff addresses these behaviors using assertive leadership techniques, but often the behaviors are not resolved because staff cannot always be physically near every dog at the moment the issue presents itself, and the same issues present themselves in the home without being addressed. Once a dog has been properly introduced to a remote electronic training collar and an effective pulse level has been established, even from a distance, we are able to address a concern before or as it happens thus effectively teaching the dog (not correcting or punishing the dog) to avoid the situation and to come to the person calling. After seeing the effectiveness and feeling the compatible level of the pulse of these collars, some of our clients pursue a complete training program of obedience (since dogs learn so solidly what their boundaries are when owners and their dogs learn the training together) through Creekside Staff Dog Trainer Alan Brown of K-9 Direction (www.k-9direction.com).

____ **Trained daycare staff members have my permission to reinforce my dog's EXISTING electronic remote collar training by using my dog's personal collar or an extra collar kept at daycare.**

The handling options presented here are only provided under careful and experienced supervision with results being reported to you.

Download this form, fill it out and e-mail it to csr.group@creeksidepetcare.com or print it and bring it in with you to your appointment. We will review it and collect your signature when your pet arrives.

Print name _____ Sign _____ Date _____

Office use only:

Is the pet current in the following wellness areas: Vx (Y/N) Testing (Y/N) Preventatives (Y/N)

Client & Pet information above verified by staff member _____ Scan/Attach/Shred when complete _____