

TRAINING POLICIES

<p>The training program at Dobbin Dog Ranch is directed by Mike Enmon. Mike has over 25 years of experience training and competing with his own Labrador Retrievers in Field Trials and is a licensed AKC Retriever Field Trial Judge. More information about Mike is available on our website.</p>	
Vaccinations	<p>Dobbin Dog Ranch requires a vaccination record or an invoice from a licensed veterinarian documenting current vaccinations. Vaccinations should be administered at least 10 days prior to arrival. We require our guests to be current on the following vaccinations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rabies Vaccine • Distemper/Parvovirus Vaccine: distemper, hepatitis, parvo, and parainfluenza per your veterinarian's protocol, which may be listed as DA2PP, DHLPP or DHLPP on your dog's medical record when administered as a combination • Bordetella Vaccine: prevents against most strains of canine cough; we do everything possible to reduce the risk of your dog getting canine cough; however, the vaccine does not prevent against all strains; updated every six months • Canine Influenza Vaccine: the first time your dog receives this vaccination an initial shot followed by a booster two to four weeks later is required
Interaction	<p>For at least 10 days prior to arrival, we request that guests refrain from visiting veterinarians' offices, grooming salons, day camps, dog shows, or other places where they may possibly be exposed to a contagious virus. We may ask that check-in for board and train be delayed until this request is met.</p>
Minimum Age	<p>Participation in our board and train program is available for puppies who are at least five months old, as well as for adult dogs. Customized puppy training is also available for pups who have completed our vaccine requirements, which is generally around four months of age.</p>
Board and Train	<p>The rate for our board and train program is \$600 per week plus the overnight rate for boarding accommodations. For dogs that play well with other dogs, group play is included at no additional charge. If group play is not a good fit for your dog, Mike will recommend leisure and exercise activities that may be better suited for your dog. Fees for these activities will be charged at our standard rates. The length of stay for our board and train program typically ranges from two to four weeks and is determined by Mike based on how your dog responds to training, which is typically driven by age, breed, and temperament.</p>
Puppy Training	<p>We understand puppies can be a delightful challenge! If you have a puppy who is not yet five months old and you want a head start on training, we can help with puppy training once he or she has completed our vaccine requirements. Please call Mike to discuss a training plan customized to meet your needs and the needs of your puppy.</p>
Puppy Raising	<p>Leave the puppy to us! Mike and Kari will bring your puppy into their home and raise him or her for you from seven weeks old until training is complete at about six months of age. Space in this very special program is limited to one puppy at a time. Please call Mike for more information.</p>

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Private Training	Mike works one-on-one with you and your dog at our facility or at your home. This type of training is exclusively for dogs that have previously completed off-leash training with Mike at Dobbin Dog Ranch or at another facility. Each session is one hour, and the cost is \$125 per hour at our facility, or \$300 per hour at your home.
Training Length	The length of time required to complete our board and train program is based primarily on age, breed, and temperament, with age, or maturity, being the foremost factor. Mike will determine the length of training that is best for your dog based on these factors. One of the primary keys to successful training is getting a dog to focus, or in other words, to listen, and much of the initial training involves teaching focus. A mature adult dog typically takes less time to complete the training program than a puppy because an adult dog generally has a longer attention span. Each dog has a unique personality and there will be exceptions to this generalization.
Deposits and Cancellation Policy	We require a credit card to be placed on file and a \$100 deposit for board and train reservations, per dog, when the reservation is booked. At check-in, a training deposit of \$500 per dog is required. These deposits are applied to your final bill upon check-out. For board and train reservations, the \$100 deposit, per dog, is nonrefundable if the reservation is cancelled or changed less than 30 days prior to the scheduled check-in date.
Visits During Training	You are welcome to visit your dog while he or she is attending our board and train program. Our visiting hours are from 11 am to 3 pm, Monday through Friday, and Sunday, excluding holidays. Appointments are not required; however, if you would like to discuss your dog's training progress during your visit, we recommend that you schedule an appointment to meet with Mike during this time.
Boarding Policies	Please see our boarding policies for our lobby hours, other requirements, and policies applicable to dogs visiting Dobbin Dog Ranch.
Rates/Services	All rates and services are subject to availability and change.
<i>Please note that Dobbin Dog Ranch reserves the right to refuse services based on any dog's temperament or health. Spots in our training programs are limited based on Mike's availability.</i>	