

INTERMEDIATE CLASS

ATTENTION/FOCUS AND IMPULSE CONTROL

Area	Expectation
Leave it	Increased level of difficulty (adding motion, duration, or distractions – only 1 at a time).
Watch	Increased difficulty
Accept a stranger	Dog allows a friendly stranger to approach, without showing fear or going to person.
Sit for petting	Dog sits or stands politely while being petted (no shyness or resentment).
Grooming	Dog allows person to examine them (body, ears, front feet), and to brush them.
Rapid fire treats	In new environments.

LOOSE LEASH WALKING

Area	Expectation
Walking	Increased difficulty when moving (ex: serpentines, with other dogs present).
Stops	Dog stops when cued (stand, sit, down) with & without distractions present.
Through a crowd	Dog walks politely through a crowd of 3 or more people (not overly exuberant or shy).
Out for a walk	Dog walks next to handler during a left turn, right turn, about turn, and 2 stops (no sit required).
Reaction to another dog	Two handlers and dogs approach each other, talk for a few seconds, then leave. Dog shows only casual interest.

SKILLS

Area	Expectation
Basic commands	Review of sit and down. Stay at 20 ft.
Recall	Dog returns to owner, when cued, from 10 ft away.
Stand	Dog stands from a sit, when cued.
Touch	Increased difficulty by adding motion.

OTHER

Area	Expectation
Reaction to distraction	Dog remains calm (may startle but no shyness or barking) when faced with a distraction (ex: dropped book or jogger).
Supervised separation	Dog stays quietly (sits or stands) with stranger while handler is out of sight for 3 minutes.