

# **Canine Behavior Questionnaire (CBQ)**

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#### **HOW PRIVATES WORK**

If you are seeking positive training and behavior modification for a behavior issue related to fear, anxiety or aggression, please fill out the Canine Behavior Questionnaire (CBQ). For basic behaviors (like come or loose leash walking), a CBQ is not required.

#### **CBQ - PURPOSE**

The CBQ is essentially a detailed intake form and NOT meant to provide a specific treatment plan for a behavior issue. It is a lengthy document and provides the canine behavior consultant with lots of background information and history of the dog. It is intended to reduce note taking at the first private session to ensure more hands on training.

## **IMPORTANT**

Training and behavior action plans should be done under the supervision of a certified professional dog trainer and certified canine behavior consultant.

The CBQ is meant to gather, information, be an introduction between the pet owner and the canine behavior consultant, and to determine if they are a good fit to work together.

## **CBQ - LOCATION**

The CBQ can be found on the smrtdog website (home page) under Private Consultations.

## **CBQ - HOW TO FILL OUT**

The online form MUST be filled out on a desktop or laptop, NOT a tablet or smartphone. As you are filling out the fields you will not be able to save your work. Make sure that you have adequate time to sit down and fill out the CBQ in its entirety.

#### **CBQ – REASONABLE TIME FRAME**

The canine behavior consultant reviews the CBQ and responds with **one email exchange** in the form of additional questions for the pet owner. The pet owner has one week to respond. The total email exchange is to be completed within a two week time frame. If the pet owner responds to the initial round of questions after 1 week, an additional \$100 will be charged to locate, review again and respond to the questions.

## **CBQ - PAYMENT**

The non-refundable fee for the canine behavior consultant to review the CBQ is \$95. The CBQ will not be saved OR sent to the behavior consultant until payment is received. When you get to the end of the CBQ form, you will be prompted for payment. You do NOT need a PayPal account to submit payment. The PayPal button says "please choose a payment option."



# **CBQ - FEEDBACK**

After you fill out the CBQ and submit payment, you will receive feedback, educational hand outs, and possible recommendations that address the specific issue within 48 hours. The CBQ is NOT meant to replace a private consultation, but rather see if the pet owner and the behavior consultant are a good fit.

#### COST OF A PRIVATE CONSULTATION OR PACKAGE OF PRIVATE SESSIONS

Hourly rate is \$195/hr. A package of 5 one hour sessions is \$900. (Discount of \$75)

### PAYMENT FOR PRIVATE SESSION OR PACKAGE OF SESSIONS

IF both parties, the pet owner and the canine behavior consultant, decide that a private session would be beneficial, then the cost of the first session is \$100 instead of \$195.

Payment is due **PRIOR** to the first session. If you pay for private sessions using PayPal or Venmo, make sure that you are sending the money to the correct email address. For PayPal the correct email is <a href="mailto:jamie@smrtdog.com">jamie@smrtdog.com</a>. For Venmo the correct handle is @Jamie-Bozzi.

#### **BOOKING AN APPOINTMENT**

Due to a periodically heavy caseload, the canine behavior consultant may be booked out 7-14 days. Please check availability prior to filling out a CBQ.

A CBQ must be completed online by the pet owner and reviewed by the canine behavior consultant **48 hours prior** to a session.