

# The Ultimate Step By Step Guide To Turning Your Dog Into An Obedient Service Dog

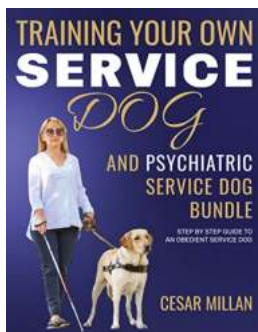
Are you looking to train your furry friend to become a well-behaved and obedient service dog? Look no further, as we have prepared a step-by-step guide that will help you accomplish your goal.

## Why Invest in Service Dog Training?

Having an obedient service dog can greatly improve the quality of life for both you and your dog. Service dogs are trained to perform specific tasks that can assist individuals with disabilities, offering support and independence. Whether you need a service dog for mobility assistance, medical alerts, or emotional support, a well-trained service dog can be a true companion, providing you with the assistance you require.

## Step 1: Determine If Your Dog Has the Right Temperament

Not all dogs are suited for service dog training. It's important to assess your dog's temperament and suitability for the role. Service dogs need to be calm, friendly, and confident. They should not be easily distracted or aggressive. If you are unsure about your dog's temperament, consult with a professional dog trainer or behaviorist who can help you make an informed decision.



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**Canine Behavior Evaluation Form**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Shelter \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Name / ID # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ History \_\_\_\_\_  
 Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_ Observer/scribe \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* RESPONSES IN BOLD ITALICS INDICATE SEVERE RED-FLAG BEHAVIOR THAT MAY RULE THE DOG OUT FOR ADOPTION**

**Cage Presentation Test** - while dog is still in kennel. Tester should not have interacted with dog in past.

- Step #1 - Stand quietly in front of the kennel run, turned side-ways, look straight ahead, not at the dog. Watch out of corner of eye for 5 seconds.
- Step #2 - Turn and face the dog, bend at the waist and look directly into his eyes for 5 seconds.
- Step #3 - Turn sideways, bend down and talk to the dog in a friendly, solicitous tone of voice for 3 seconds.

BEHAVIORAL RESPONSE	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3
remains calm with relaxed body postures (low wagging tail, soft eyes)			
displays avoidance behaviors (turns head sideways, diverts eyes)			
displays fearful body postures (ears back, tail down, body low, backing up)			
comes towards front of cage in a calm solicitous manner (loose relaxed body)			
comes towards front of cage suspiciously (moving slowly, head down, ears back)			
comes forward excitedly - jumping on the front of the cage			
stays in place - barking			
moves forward - barking			
moves away - barking			
stays in the back of the kennel run - shaking, low growl, whale eye			
moves away, towards the back of run - shaking, low growl, whale eye			
<b><i>Displays defensive aggression - barks, growls, bares teeth with fearful body postures (stiffened head, tucked tail, ears back, whale eye) while moving away</i></b>			
<b><i>Displays offensive aggression - barks, growls, bares teeth with offensive body postures (high tail, direct eye contact, ears erect) while charging/moving forward</i></b>			

**BEFORE PROCEEDING** - Take the dog for a short walk to make sure he has eliminated if needed.

**Sociability Test** - Take the dog to the evaluation room - let him sniff around for a few moments.

1. Holding the end of the leash - stand and totally ignore the dog for 60 seconds - watch dog so that if he looks up at you, you can give him soft solicitous eye contact
  - \_\_\_ dog made calm social contact lasting more than 2 seconds
    - how many times? \_\_\_\_\_ longest amount of time? \_\_\_\_\_
    - eye contact jumped on you - leaned against you (if role)
  - \_\_\_ dog made inappropriate/hyper social contact lasting more than 2 seconds
    - how many times? \_\_\_\_\_ longest amount of time? \_\_\_\_\_
    - jumped all over you height seeking; muzzle punched (circle)
  - \_\_\_ dog made non-social contact less than 2 seconds at a time (drive by, sniff)
  - \_\_\_ dog completely ignored you and continued to investigate the environment

**Step 2: Socialize Your Dog**

Proper socialization is crucial for any dog, especially one training to become a service dog. Expose your pup to different environments, people, and situations from an early age. Gradually increase the level of difficulty in these scenarios to help your dog adjust and remain calm in various situations. Socialization will teach your dog to be comfortable and well-behaved in public settings.

## Puppy Socialization Safety Guidelines

1. Work closely with your veterinarian and keep your puppy current on his vaccinations.
2. Wait at least 7 days after your puppy's first set of vaccinations before you go to a new place.
3. Pick a puppy class provider that: A) uses disinfectant to clean waste, and B) requires proof of vaccination.
4. Until your puppy is fully vaccinated, avoid areas where dogs of unknown vaccination status go to the bathroom.
5. Only let your puppy interact with other dogs that are friendly, healthy and current on their vaccinations.
  - PUPPY FRIENDLY
  - HEALTHY
  - VACCINATED
  - OK TO PLAY
6. Stay away from dog parks until your puppy is fully vaccinated and at least 6 months old.
7. Always be ready to remove your puppy from situations that overwhelm him.
8. If your puppy is sick, contact your vet and keep him away from other dogs.

  
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### Step 3: Basic Obedience Training

Before diving into specific service tasks, your dog needs to master basic obedience commands such as sit, stay, come, and heel. These commands form the foundation of your dog's training and enable clear communication between you and your canine companion. Use positive reinforcement techniques and rewards to encourage your dog's progress.

## The Do's and Don't's of Dog Training

### DO's



**DO** use rewards like treats to train your dog so your dog will enjoy training.



**DO** use comfortable, dog friendly equipment so that your dog feels relaxed and happy.



**DO** have your dog work for valued resources like meals, walks and toys so your dog looks to you for guidance.



**DO** build a cooperative relationship based on mutual respect, communication and trust so both you and your dog enjoy being with one another.

### DON'T's



**DON'T** use force or punishment when working with your dog or your dog will not think training is fun and will be afraid of you.



**DON'T** use aversive equipment like choke collars, prong collars or shock collars or training will be painful and scary for your dog.



**DON'T** use confrontational methods that may frighten your dog or worse, cause your dog to react aggressively.



**DON'T** use methods or equipment that are uncomfortable, painful, forceful, scary or intimidating to your dog. Positive reinforcement training is so much more fun for both the dog and owner.



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## Step 4: Introduce Service Task Training

Once your dog has a solid foundation in obedience, you can introduce specific service tasks that align with your needs. Whether it's retrieving dropped items, opening doors, or alerting to medical conditions, gradually introduce these tasks and reinforce them through consistent training sessions. Seek professional guidance to ensure that you are teaching the tasks correctly and safely.



## **Step 5: Public Access Training**

Public access training is crucial to ensure that your service dog is well-behaved and confident in various public environments. Teach your dog to ignore distractions, walk appropriately on a leash, and follow your commands even in busy settings. Gradually increase the difficulty level of these exercises, starting in low-distraction areas and gradually moving to crowded places.



## **Step 6: Certification and Legal Considerations**

Once your dog has successfully completed the training, you may consider getting them certified as a service dog. Certification is not mandatory, but it can provide certain benefits, such as access to public places that otherwise restrict pets. Research the legal requirements in your country or region to ensure compliance with relevant regulations.

Training your dog to become an obedient service dog is a rewarding journey that requires time, effort, and patience. Remember to prioritize your dog's overall well-being and happiness, providing them with positive reinforcement and plenty of love along the way. With consistent training and dedication, you can turn your four-legged friend into a loyal and trustworthy service dog, enhancing your quality of life.



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Have you been plagued by anxiety and panic attacks that keep you confined to your home?

Do you want a Psychiatric Service Dog but don't know how much it would cost?

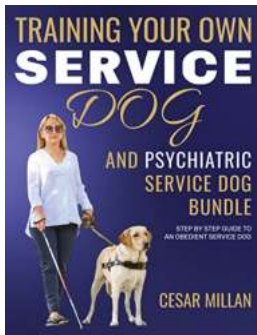
Cesar Millan wrote this book to help you fulfill your dream of having a Psychiatric Service Dog and training it for yourself without paying someone a fortune to teach the dog. Dogs may be beautiful companions, and after they are trained to help you with your restrictions, you may be able to have more fun in life without worrying about your physical limits preventing you from doing things.

If you want to live an entire life with the help of a Psychiatric Service dog, this is the book for you. This book contains information such as:

- Housing guidelines for Psychiatric Service Dogs


- Training your dog for specific tasks
- The differences between training a puppy and an older dogs
- Choosing between collars and harnesses for your training
- Shelter dogs vs. pedigrees
- And so much more!

So, if you are ready to begin training your Psychiatric Service Dog, then click the ADD TO CART BUTTON and begin learning all you can about training and caring for your Psychiatric Service Dog!



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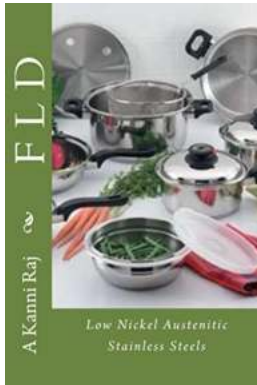
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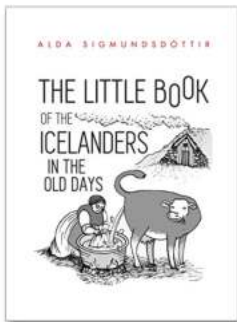
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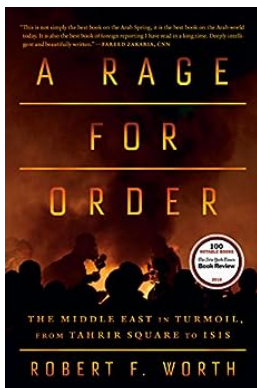
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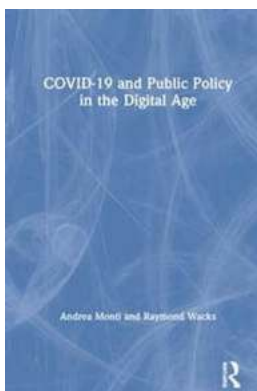
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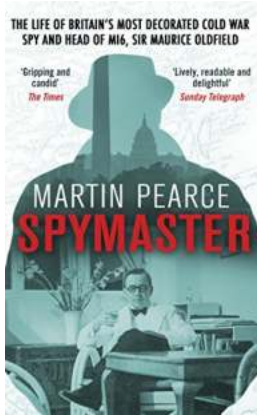
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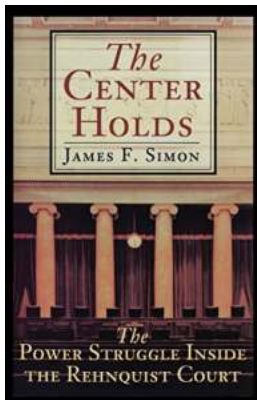
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