

K-9LINE

VETERANS HELPING VETERANS
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

Incorporating a Certified Canine Companion is a 24/7 responsibility in your life. In the K-9 Line Program, you will learn skills that help you be successful. These skills take practice and dedication, and will carry forward for the life of your Companion. As a K-9 Line Warrior there are responsibilities within the K-9 Line Program and with our partner, Expedition Security Solutions group (ESS). Together, we make a whole. This is what makes us a K-9 Line Family.

Please review and sign the following agreement.

K-9 LINE PROGRAM EXPECTATIONS

As a registered non-profit, K-9 Line receives donor funds to provide training services to you at no cost. There is a responsibility on all parties to be transparent of how funding is handled and an expectation of completion of your training. K-9 Line is committed to creating a family of resources and friendships to continue for a lifetime. To achieve the collective goals your commitment is needed. We ask:

1. Sign the consent for use of images and video to share in your training progress.
2. Become part of the K-9 Line Family.
 - a. Attend K-9 Line events and family training days.
 - i. These events allow you to train and have fellowship with other Warriors, and stay connected to any additional training needs you have.
 - ii. Allows us to share information for program benefits that we work to establish with you.
 - b. Become a battle buddy.
 - i. Engage with others in the program and check on your fellow Warriors.
 - ii. Refer us to those you know may benefit from our services.
 - c. Become a K-9 Line Ambassador.
 - i. Acceptance into the program means you are a K-9 Line brand Ambassador. We make every effort to be available and work to solve questions or concerns. Unprofessional behavior will not be tolerated.
 - ii. Contact us directly, or at the information listed on the website.

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3. Enter the program with 100% commitment. Expect to follow the training standards start to finish within the program established with ESS. You should plan for the following:
 - a. Commit and establish uninterrupted one-to-one time with your trainer.
 - b. Expect to train intensely per the program established by ESS. You are expected to show up for each scheduled session and give 100% focus to the skills being developed without distractions. Prior long term commitments should be discussed prior to entry into the program.
 - c. We work closely with ESS and monitor your progress with vested interest. Should you not meet any standard set forth by ESS at any time, we will contact you and discuss your participation in the program.
 - d. Should unexpected matters arise, contact us immediately.
4. Share your talents
 - a. Warriors give back, that's what you're made of. As you progress in your journey with your Companion, engage with us so we can share your talents for the betterment of future Warriors.

ESS TRAINING PARTNER EXPECTATIONS

I hereby acknowledge my responsibilities while in training with Expedition Security Solutions group (ESS). I understand that failure to comply with these responsibilities can be cause for immediate withdraw from training.

Furthermore, I acknowledge that if I am removed from training and a dog was provided to me, the dog will be reclaimed by Expedition Security Solutions Group until a case review is completed to determine whether or not I may re-enter training.

My responsibilities while in training are as follows:

- I will NOT attend any training session while in possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapons (knives, brass knuckles, Tasers, etc.).
- I will NOT attend any training session while under the influence of alcohol or illegal narcotics.
- I will NOT use any K9 equipment that was not issued to me unless directed by an ESS K9 trainer.
- I will NOT use a pinch collar, spiked collar, weighted chains, or E-collars.

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- I will NOT introduce my dog to other dogs while in training unless directed by an ESS K9 trainer.
- I will NOT no call/no show for any training sessions, WITHOUT 24 HOURS PRIOR NOTICE.
- I will NOT add any additional patches to my dogs service vest while in training, OTHER THAN A K-9 LINE ISSUE PATCH.
- I will NOT add additional training tasks to the dog unless approved by an ESS K9 trainer.
- I WILL ensure that, at a minimum - four (4) 15-minute training sessions are conducted daily with the dog.
- I WILL ensure that the dog is wearing THEIR service dog vest every time THEY leave the home.
- I WILL ensure that I report any aggression (animal aggression, food aggression, etc.) to an ESS K9 trainer as soon as possible.
- I WILL ensure I report any medical issues to an ESS K9 trainer immediately.
- I WILL ensure I am taking video clips AT A MINIMUM OF ONE PER WEEK WHILE IN TRAINING AND ONE EVERY TWO WEEKS AFTER GRADUATION UNTIL RECERTIFICATION IN 6 MONTHS and forwarding them to an ESS K9 trainer weekly or as directed by an ESS K9 trainer.
- I WILL ensure I follow and complete all training tasks assigned to me daily/weekly by an ESS K9 trainer.