

Why Choose Spirit Ridge?

- Reasonable rates & group classes limited to a max. of **six** K9s.
- You not only get K9 training services but also advice and help with behavioural issues your dog(s) may have at home/public.
- Private/group class packages for dogs not initially suited for group classes! No dog is left behind at *Spirit Ridge*!
- We specialize in offering a great variety of dog sports that will teach you how to keep your dog 'busy' and out of trouble!
- **Training revenues primarily go towards funding our Rescue.**
- Ongoing back up trainer support & advice available long after your classes are done!

Background Experience

- Trainer's certificate (*Gemini K9 Training School*, Scarborough, Ontario)
- Canadian Assoc. of Professional Pet Dog Trainers member
- Member of Belgian Shepherd Club of Canada
- Member of German Shepherd Schutzhund Club of Canada
- Experienced in helping households deal with K9 aggression
- Excellent results in rescuing, retraining and re-homing dogs including '*red zone*' dogs destined for euthanasia
- Experience in all breeds and mixed breeds regardless of size, temperament and gender
- ***In-home private training services also available***



Spirit Ridge K9 Training & Rescue offers results-oriented dog training and many fun K9 sport activities (such as Rally-Obedience, Tracking & Agility). There is **NO** reason for you to dread (even worse, *avoid*) walking your dog! Choose from a wide range of classes - from simple training on proper and **effortless** dog-walking to more complex and advanced competition training! For those facing K9 behavioural problems and aggression, customized solutions to your dog's temperament and special circumstances are developed. ***Come see what all the dogs are barking about at Spirit Ridge!***

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Services & Training Solutions

General Training Services

- Responsible dog ownership - covering what to expect both before & after getting your dog or puppy
- Basics of training – the “how to” & “whys” of training (i.e. the **proper** use of motivation & timing)
- Fun **Dog Sport** Activities; Teach your Dog to Use Scent to “Track” for articles or jump over Agility jumps. Or just have fun with the new *Rally-Obedience* dog sport!
- Breed specific information – advice for training specific breeds
- Testing & Selection – personality / intelligence testing for dogs & puppies. How to choose a good dog for you and your family, whether from the local pound or a breeder.
- Selecting *Working Dog* Prospects
- Customized solutions to suit your dog’s temperament

Specific Training Services

- Housetraining – better control of bathroom behaviours
- Commands – the words, “markers” & signals that we use to communicate with dogs
- Immediate help dealing with K9 Aggression at home and/or outdoors
- Proper equipment use – collars, leashes etc.
- Learning How to *Correctly* Crate Train your dog
- Play & “play training” – advice on “*how to*” & “*how not to*”

Puppies – dogs less than a year old

- General issues – hints and tips
- Housetraining – specific advice for puppies
- Socialization – advice on exposure to people & other dogs; minimizing or stopping chewing & biting



Behavioural Problems

- General issues – discussions, tips & advice
 - Specific Problems
 - o Teaching handlers how to stop their dogs from *dragging them out for a walk! **No pulling, lunging – guaranteed!***
 - o Excessive Barking
 - o Car Related including 4 wheel anxiety, riding in the car, car sickness
 - o Chasing cars & moving objects / bolting / running away
 - o Children & Dogs
 - o Coprophagia (stool eating)
 - o Destructive chewing & digging
 - o Dominance / Leadership
 - o High Energy – how to live with a high energy dog
 - o Home Alone - basic time management for your dog
 - o Jumping up on guests, family members, mounting (humping)
 - o Loud noises / thunder
 - o Managing more than one pet
 - o Moving & adjusting to new surroundings
 - o Obsessive behaviours - including tail chasing, self-mutilation, compulsive behaviour in dogs, spinning etc.
 - o Aggression/Dominance with people or other dogs
 - o Submissive urination, Shyness, Separation Anxiety
 - o Preparing “Fido” for the new baby
 - o Follow up Evaluation Report available upon request; nominal travel fee charged outside normal geographic area – ***please enquire***
 - o *Spirit Ridge* offers customized solutions ***not*** excuses!
 - o Experience in dealing with problem ‘Rescued’ Dogs
 - o Written follow up recommendations after training program – *upon request*
 - o Training and preparation for CKC, UKC Obedience Trials
- For more information on our Services, events, references and informative K9 articles please visit our website: www.spirirdge.net.***