



REACTIVE ROVER

This class is for dogs who are reactive (lunging, barking, growling) toward other dogs when on leash. Learn calming techniques, how to manage your dog when on-leash around other dogs, and how to teach your dog to react more appropriately when he sees another dog. This class uses positive reinforcement methods, including the use of food rewards and clicker training. The goal of this class is to have dogs be able to calmly see and pass another dog from a short distance. There will be no off-leash interaction; on-leash interaction based on dog's progress throughout course.

This class does NOT address aggression toward humans or dogs who are ONLY aggressive toward other dogs when off-leash.

Participants are expected to have knowledge of or experience with clicker training (or be open to learning). Dogs should have some basic training including attention to name, loose leash walking and sit-stay or down-stay in a low distraction environment.

Participation in the Reactive Rover class is by instructor permission only. You must plan to attend every session of the class (including orientation) with the same handler(s) and be prepared to spend 30 minutes to one hour daily practicing “homework” assignments. All class attendees must be 14 years of age or older. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Prefer to attend without your dog? We have a limited number of audit slots available. You will be provided with all class materials and will have the opportunity to observe, learn, and ask questions. This class is packed with valuable tips and techniques on how to work with dogs who display reactivity, aggression, and fear-based aggression in an on-leash context.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Before enrolling, please contact us at dogtraining@seattlehumane.org or 425-373-5385 to determine whether your dog is a good candidate for this class. You will be asked to fill out a questionnaire and may be asked to have a private session with an instructor before enrolling in class. Upon completion of these steps, you will be asked to fill out a registration form. **A place will be held for you in class only after your registration form and payment have been received.**

