

# Creature Comfort Pet Services

## OBEDIENCE AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT

When attending classes, please bring the following:

1. Six-foot long leather or nylon leash (thickness should correspond to the size of the dog). Retractable leashes are not recommended for training
2. A training collar fitted for the individual dog. Head collars are typically recommended for dogs that pull on the leash. A head collar has a strap that goes around the dog's neck right behind the ears, and has a loop or strap that goes over the nose. The leash is attached where these two straps come together usually at the base of the dog's lower jaw near the neck. Flat buckle collars are good for calm or shy dogs. The collar must be in good condition.
3. A 20-30-foot nylon training lead (dogs under 10 pounds may use a 15-foot lead). The training lead is used for long distance work during class. The lead must be in good condition.
4. Approximately 150 pea-sized soft treats that your dog really likes. You will need a training pouch, zip lock bag, or a pant/shirt pocket to house the treats. Make sure your dog has a good appetite for class. Food should be withheld for approximately five to eight hours before class depending on the age of your puppy or dog.
5. All dogs should have identification. Microchipping, tattooing, or a simple-to-read ID tag stating the owner's name and phone number should be attached to each dog's collar.
6. Proper shoes prevent injury. No open-toed shoes or sandals please.
7. Pooper scooper or similar type of waste disposal tool or bag.
8. Children must be supervised by an adult not participating in the class.