



## Estimated Cost for Service Dog Training Example # 2: Training an Already Obedient Dog

The following is an **estimate** of the overall cost associated with this **example** of Service Dog Training. Because each dog and client is different, the length of this program will vary depending upon the dog, the commitment of the client, and each of their overall abilities. All dog and handler teams are required to successfully pass tests together for each of the 4 training phases:  
 (1) Basic Obedience; (2) Advanced Obedience; (3) Disability Skills; and (4) Public Access.

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For purposes of this estimated cost summary, we are hypothetically training a dog that is approximately 1 year old. The dog was purchased from a reputable breeder and has been well-socialized with various people, animals, and places. The dog is smart, trainable, and has a strong desire to please. The owner is well-committed to exercising and practicing with the dog daily.



**Initial Evaluation and Consultation:** This is the first step of the program. It helps us understand exactly what your wants and needs are and gives a chance to answer any and all initial questions you may have.

**Phase 1: Basic Obedience:** Oftentimes, we have customers come to us with dogs that are already well behaved and have an understanding of the majority of skills and behaviors listed within Phase 1.

**Phase 2: Advanced Obedience:** When a dog enters our program and they have already learned many skills, sometimes they already have a firm understanding of a portion of the Phase 2 commands.

Evaluation	\$200	Evaluation	\$200	Evaluation	\$200
"My Dog Ate My Homework" - 2 Lessons	\$350	"My Dog Ate My Homework" - 3 Lessons	\$525	"My Dog Ate My Homework" - 5 Lessons	\$800
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**Phase 3: Disability Skills:** This is typically the most intense phase of training due to its importance of refinement. In most instances we will recommend a minimum of 1 week "In Our Home" training so we are able to work with the dog several times each day. (\*Note these estimates are based on teaching disability skills of low/medium-level difficulty. Cost will vary depending on how many skills the dog is required to learn and how difficult those skills are.)

**Phase 4: Public Access:** This training is all done in public places in and around your home. For customers that have been taking their dog out to dog-friendly venues for several months, they are oftentimes able to pass through this phase relatively quickly.

**Total Cost Range:**

"Love Me, Love My Dog" - 1 Week \$1,500	"Love Me, Love My Dog" - 1 Week + "My Dog Ate My Homework" - 3 Lessons \$1,950	"Love Me, Love My Dog" - 2 Weeks + "My Dog Ate My Homework" - 2 Lessons \$2,990
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<b><u>\$2,925</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,290</u></b>

\*NOTE - Additional travel charges may apply for each lesson depending on the distance from your trainer. Estimated cost range does not include cost of obtaining your puppy or general maintenance (food, veterinarian costs, toys, etc.). If dog is being trained for balance/stability purposes, your trainer will recommend a third party company for you to purchase the Stability Harness (price ranges from \$420 - \$650 + shipping). Prices are based on the **average** low, medium, and high ends of training.