



Loyal Guardians Service Dog Training

Puppy Raiser Rules & Expectations

Thank you for volunteering to raise a future service dog for Loyal Guardians Service Dog Training. Puppy Raisers play a critical role in helping develop confident, well-mannered dogs who will one day support individuals with disabilities.

To ensure consistency and success, all Puppy Raisers must follow the program rules and expectations outlined below.

1. Commitment to the Program

Puppy Raisers agree to:

- Follow all Loyal Guardians training protocols and guidance
- Maintain consistent structure and expectations for the dog
- Communicate regularly with the Loyal Guardians training team
- Attend scheduled training sessions when required
- Represent the program professionally in public

The success of each dog depends on consistency and teamwork.

2. Care and Daily Responsibilities

Puppy Raisers are responsible for providing:

- A safe and structured home environment
- Daily exercise and mental stimulation
- Proper feeding according to program guidelines
- Crate training and house manners
- Regular potty breaks and supervision
- Safe transportation when needed

Dogs must never be left unattended in unsafe environments.

3. Training Expectations

Puppy Raisers are expected to:

- Reinforce basic obedience and manners
- Follow the training guidance provided by Loyal Guardians
- Practice training exercises consistently
- Maintain calm, structured interactions with the dog

Puppy Raisers should not attempt to teach advanced service tasks unless directed by the training team.

4. Public Behavior

When representing Loyal Guardians in public:

- Dogs must remain under control at all times

- Puppy Raisers should maintain professional and respectful conduct
- Dogs should only enter public spaces appropriate for their stage of training
- Loyal Guardians guidelines must be followed when answering questions about the program

The dog's behavior reflects the integrity of the program.

5. Health and Veterinary Care

Puppy Raisers must:

- Notify Loyal Guardians immediately if the dog becomes sick or injured
- Follow all veterinary care instructions provided by the program
- Ensure the dog remains up to date on required vaccinations and health checks

Only approved veterinarians should be used unless otherwise directed.

6. Safety Rules

For the safety of the dog and others:

- Dogs must not be allowed to roam unsupervised
- Dogs must remain leashed or under appropriate control when outside
- Rough play or unsafe interactions are not permitted
- Dogs should not be exposed to unsafe environments or animals

Safety is always the top priority.

7. Program Ownership

All dogs in the Loyal Guardians Puppy Raiser program remain the property of Loyal Guardians Service Dog Training until formally placed or adopted through the program.

Puppy Raisers must return the dog to Loyal Guardians if requested for training, evaluation, or placement.

8. Communication

Puppy Raisers are expected to:

- Provide updates on the dog's progress when requested
- Report behavioral concerns early
- Communicate openly with the training team

Early communication helps address challenges before they become larger issues.

9. Travel and Absences

If a Puppy Raiser will be unavailable for any reason:

- Loyal Guardians must be notified in advance
- Alternative care must be approved by the program

This ensures the dog continues receiving proper care and training.

10. Program Integrity

Puppy Raisers must:

- Represent Loyal Guardians respectfully
- Maintain confidentiality regarding clients and program information

- Follow all training and program guidelines

Failure to follow these expectations may result in removal from the Puppy Raiser program.

Final Note

Raising a future service dog is an incredible opportunity to change someone's life. The dedication, patience, and consistency provided by Puppy Raisers directly contribute to the success of each service dog team.

Loyal Guardians deeply appreciates your commitment to this mission.