

## **American Poodles At Work**

### **List of Commands**

Alert	Dog nudges you to get your attention
Automatic Leave It	Dog automatically ignores food and trash on the ground
Automatic Wait	Dog always waits at certain thresholds: car, front door etc.
Back	Dog walks backward
Behind	Dog moves behind you and follows
Better Hurry	Tells dog that now is the time and place to eliminate
Bring It Here	Dog brings item to you
Car	Dog gets in car and waits
Careful	Tells dog to beware of precarious situation
(‘click’)	Dog is to bark
Closer	Dog moves closer to you
Come	This urgently commands your dog to come directly to you
Dog’s Name	Used to get dog’s attention
Down	Dog lies down
Dress	Dog puts head through collar, vest, or pack
Drop It	Dog should release item from its mouth immediately
Dry	Dog shakes body (shake off water, dirt)
Fix	Dog resolves leash entanglement
Get It	Instructs dog to take hold of an item with its teeth
Get The	Tells the dog to get a specific item it knows the name of
Get Your Leash	Dog locates and brings its leash to you
Get Your Pack	Dog locates and brings its pack to you
Give	Dog is to place item in your hand
Go	Dog goes in the direction you point
Go Alert	Tells dog to go alert a specific person, then return to you
Go In	Dog goes under designated table or desk and lies down
Go Through	Dog is to move out ahead of you then turn around to face you
Go To	Sends the dog to a designated person
Go To Bed	Dog goes to bed or mat and lies down
Go To Your Room	Sends your dog to its designated room or kennel
Good	Lets dog know you are pleased
Guard	Dog is to bark (as if trained for protection)
Heel	Dog positions self and walks on left side, nose at your knee
Here	Dog comes to designated place (where you point)
Hold	Dog is to hold on to the item until instructed otherwise
Jump	Dog jumps over a barrier
Jump On	Dog jumps onto table or object
Kennel	Dog enters kennel
Kiss	Dog licks your cheek
Lap	Dog puts front paws in your lap
Lap/Drop It	Dog gets on your lap and releases item onto lap
Lap/Get It	Dog gets on lap and gets item from person’s hand
Lap/Give	Dog gets on lap and gives item
Leave It	Dog ignores item or situation
Let’s Go	Dog walks at your side on a loose leash, is allowed to sniff
Light	Tells the dog to flip a switch up with its nose

Look	Dog should survey the area to identify designated item
Move	Dog moves out of the way
No!	Marks inappropriate action. Dog stops immediately
Off	Dog returns all feet to the floor (use after lap, jump on, up)
Out	Used to send you dog out of a room or area
Paws	Dog is to place its front paws on the wheelchair footrest
Pull	Dog leans body and chest into harness and moves forward
Pull Easy	Dog drives forward into harness at a leisurely pace
Pull Hard	Dog leans into harness forcefully driving forward
Pull Left	Tells dog to brace for a left turn
Pull Right	Tells dog to brace for a right turn
Push	Dog puts front paws on a door and pushes it shut
Quick	Adds emphasis to another command, such as heel; dog moves faster
Quiet	Dog stops barking
Read	Dog responds to a set of written commands
Release	Dog is released from previous command
Roll	Dog exposes belly for inspection
Settle	Tells dog to relax and behave
Shake	Dog shakes hands
Side	Dog positions self and walks on right side, nose at your knee
Sit	Dog sits
Snuggle	Dog puts head on your shoulder
Speak	Dog is to bark
Stand	Dog stands still for access to backpack/examination/grooming
Stay	Dog remains in same position until released
Step	Tells the dog to position itself one step in front of you
Stop	Dog stops leaning into harness with driving force
Switch	Tells the dog to flip off a switch with its teeth
Thank You	Shows appreciation for the dog's willingness to work
That's It	Encourages the dog they are on the right track
Tug	Dog takes rope in its mouth and tugs such that the door opens
Turn	Dog turns and faces opposite direction
Up	Dog puts front paws on wall, table, or other object
Up/Drop It	Dog ups on counter and places item on counter top
Up/Get It	Dog should get the designated item from the counter or table
Up/Give	Dog ups on counter and hands item to clerk
Up/Light	Tells dog to turn on a light switch on the wall
Up/Switch	Tells dog to turn off a light switch on the wall
Visit	Dog rests head on your lap
Visit/Drop It	Dog rests chin on lap and releases item
Visit/Give	Dog rests chin on lap and puts item in your hand
Wait	Tells dog not to cross threshold; dog can change positions
What?	Your response to Alert – dog tells you what it wants or needs
Yes!	Marks appropriate action; dog should want to do it again
Zipper	Dog tugs to un-zip your jacket