

FOLLOW - UP

- 🐾 Verbal and written modification plan, with recommendations, is provided. A copy will be sent to your Veterinarian *upon request*.
- 🐾 3-months of brief phone follow-ups (10-minutes) and/or emails are included.
- 🐾 Treatment / Intervention and recommendations are modified as needed.
- 🐾 You are welcome to schedule a session for future *tune-ups*.
- 🐾 Fees are charged for each session at the home or sanctuary.
- 🐾 No Refunds.
- 🐾 Guarantees are based only on your commitment to change and the recommendations offered in the behavioral modification plan.

FEE FOR SERVICES

Fees for counseling at Dog Talk & TheraPet, LLC and New England Pet Partners, Inc. at the training sanctuary are:

- 🐾 \$1.00 per minute, \$50.00 an hour.

The base fee, for services in your home or organization is:

- 🐾 \$2.00 per minute, \$100.00 per hour, plus administrative and traveling expenses.

Fees are charged for each additional visit during the 3-month follow-up.

COMMON TYPES OF BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS IN DOGS

- 🐾 Housetraining
- 🐾 Resource Guarding
- 🐾 Excessive vocalizing and/or barking
- 🐾 Fear, shyness or anxiety
- 🐾 Destructive behavior
- 🐾 Separation Anxiety
- 🐾 Temperament and/or learned aggression

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AND FIRST STEP
TO A NEW LEARNING
EXPERIENCE
FOR A CONFIDENTIAL
SESSION, WE INVITE YOU
TO CALL:**

(603)635-DOGS (3647)

DIRECTIONS

We are easy to find off of Route 128 (Mammoth Rd) or Route 38 in Pelham, NH. You can download directions at www.dogtalk.com www.newenglandpetpartners.org and click on "directions" or at www.mapquest.com.



*A Training Sanctuary for Dogs
and Their Humans!
Awareness, Education, Relationship*

BEHAVIORAL COUNSELING

*Training and Well-Being
is a lifestyle, lifelong choice;
Choose Wisely!*

**For more information or
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NEW ENGLAND PET PARTNERS, INC.



Pets are part of the family. We count on our pets for companionship, play and exercise. Often, our pets listen to us when no-one else will. Many receive therapeutic benefits from specially trained pets. Countless number of people rely on dogs to work with, guide them and provide support in numerous ways.

We like to believe that (*in an ideal world*) misunderstandings in communication and/or problem behaviors will not interfere with this bond. However, it can and does cause *stressful situations*. Aggression, resource guarding, biting and other behavioral issues, whether learned or inherited, can be potentially unsafe.

Housetraining and other natural dog behaviors, like digging, barking, jumping or chewing, can cause stress (dog and human) if not channeled appropriately.

Dogs working in therapeutic environments can also benefit from a “tune-up”.

Untreated or ignored behavioral issues commonly lead to abandonment, neglect or even the difficult decisions to either place or euthanize a dog.

Maureen Ross, MA, NCC, CPDT, RYT

Maureen is an experienced canine behavior counselor with a Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology (behavioral psychology) from Antioch New England, and a Bachelors Degree in Organization Management from Leslie College. She has extensive training in family systems counseling and mediation, along with over 20 years of canine behavioral training and experience.

Maureen is the Founder and President of Dog Talk & TheraPet, LLC as well as Founder and Executive Director of New England Pet Partners, Inc., an organization that evolved from a heart-centered passion to work with pets therapeutically.



VISION

To enhance the quality of life and well-being through human-animal relationships, awareness, educational resources and programs.

SERVICES PROVIDED

In the comfort of your home or at our training sanctuary we can help you eliminate, manage and/or modify behaviors that need change. In a confidential evaluation, you will receive:

- 🐾 Behavioral Consultation
- 🐾 Pre-purchase Counseling
- 🐾 New Puppy/Owner Counseling
- 🐾 Behavior Assessment for re-homing (adoption)
- 🐾 Preparing for the new baby (puppy proofing / children proofing)
- 🐾 Tune-ups, training and support for Pet-Assisted Therapy Teams (NEPP)

Behavior Counseling

Behavior Counseling is a good opportunity to explore your dog’s behaviors with an experienced, professional behaviorist. A behavioral modification plan will be created specifically for your and your dog’s unique lifestyle needs.

Behavioral modification requires a sincere commitment to change in your dog’s behavior that may require changes in how you (and possibly family and friends) interact with your dog(s). Some behaviors are easy to resolve through education (training) and relationship interaction. Others require intervention for at least 3-months that may include lifestyle, environmental and management changes. ~

WHAT TO EXPECT IN CONSULTATION

- 🐾 A thorough assessment (usually 1-2 hours).
- 🐾 Subsequent sessions involve a series of 2 to 4 consultations.
- 🐾 You will be asked to complete a behavioral questionnaire before your appointment.
- 🐾 All members of the family are encouraged to attend.
- 🐾 Problem behaviors and prior approaches in resolving them will be reviewed.

OBSERVATION

- 🐾 Your pet and their interactions with you (and family members) will be observed during the evaluation.
- 🐾 Temperament testing is performed when appropriate (i.e. resource guarding).
- 🐾 Videotaped recordings of problem behavior are encouraged for observation.
- 🐾 Observing some types of behavior may not be possible, necessary or safe.

PERSONALIZED BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION PLAN

- 🐾 Development of a behavioral modification plan that includes win/win solutions and techniques for you and your dog(s).
- 🐾 Recommendations towards realistic management and lifestyle changes, including “stress-reduction techniques”
- 🐾 Additional reading may be provided.
- 🐾 Recommendations to a veterinarian with behavioral experience, for a health and wellness check and medication, may be advised.
- 🐾 We always welcome collaboration with your Primary Veterinarians (triage).