

# IS YOUR DOG **BOLTING**

OUT THE DOOR,

not listening at the dog park, or on a hike?



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**THE 4 RULES OF RECALL**  
To get your dog to **COME** when called!



# THE 4 RULES OF RECALL

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Dogs are SMART and can learn that coming back to us is something to avoid because it could lead to a loss of freedom, being put away, or being punished. Imagine how your dog feels being called away from having fun outside. We put the leash on, put them away, or perhaps punish them for having fun digging in the garden. No wonder our dogs may selectively listen! They're busy being a dog and we get upset with them.

If you practice the 4 rules, you will be able to undo the negative patterns we often unknowingly create. This is the foundation for a FAST FUN RECALL.

# 1

## **Call only when you know they will come —**

Go and get them rather than calling them, if you're not sure. As you build a strong Recall, you'll be able to call them more often than getting them.

# 2

## **Call Once —**

This goes for all cues; when you repeat cues, you're encouraging sloppy behavior. You're actually teaching your Pup to only come after you have asked many times.

# 3

## **Call only for pleasant experiences —**

In the formal training process, you will build behavior by setting your dog up for success. Call them to you for meals, tug time, etc...see lots of fun examples below.

## **Have a Party when they arrive —**



# 4

Make a BIG deal out of your dog coming to you, get silly & animated! Engage in praise and play. Have a BIG new surprise reward. Reward with 4 treats in a row for FAST recalls.

# DO'S & DONT'S

## DO call them to –



have a fun training game or play session with you. Use your Micky Mouse voice and throw a party with praise & touch (IF they like touch!)



have a yummy dinner, food puzzle or favorite enrichment etc.



be rewarded with a favorite toy, especially if they love to tug, fetch or frisbee.



jump in the car, the pool, a creek, or even to jump on a person they love if they are allowed to do so.



**DON'T** call your dog to put them away. If you need to put them away, you can go get them, instead of asking them to come and risking a recall failure.



**DON'T** call your dog to put them away even if they are coming on cue. Remember to call joyfully, celebrate & have a 10 treat training game, then put them away with a handful of kibble scattered for a 'SEARCH' or provide a safe chewy for them in the contained area.



**DON'T** call your dog to put them on a leash or come away from fun. Instead call then celebrate! Put the leash on & have a training game with rewards on leash. Put them on and off leash randomly vs at the end of routine fun, such as the beach or park.



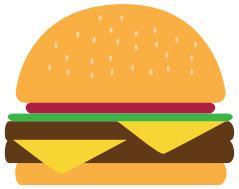
**DON'T** call your dog to scold them - if you're upset with your dog, calmly go get them, silently put them on a leash and take them away from what ever they are doing that upset you. Consider what you can do next time so they don't get into that situation.

# Have a PARTY when they arrive!



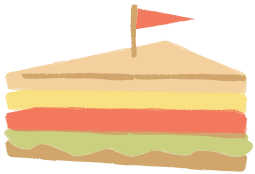
Throw a party with treats, praise, play & chase time. Use your high pitched voice.

Be prepared to give 4 treats one after the other, or do a fast, fun food scatter. If you sneak in a SURPRISE treat like a whole meatball, a stick of jerky or slice of turkey after a super fast recall, you'll be amazed at the results.



Once you begin formal recall training give this SURPRISE reward for a fast recall at least once a week for a few weeks. Continue this practice once a month for maintenance. Use a very large portion of an exciting high value treat for a FAST recall.

As you follow the 4 rules and practice the recall specific training games, your dog will soon be flying to you everytime.



If you are ready for more recall training games you can get support in our [Facebook Group](#).

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