

# Snake Proofing

This workshop is set up to provide the dog owner with the information and training needed to keep themselves and their dogs safe from rattlesnakes.

Dogs are first tested on leash with a live bull snake in order for the owner to see if their dog will need snake training. Some dogs are naturally fearful of snakes and little training is required.

However, accidental encounters and snake bites may still occur if the dog steps on or walks too close to an aroused rattlesnake. So, even though a dog may be fearful of snakes and want nothing to do with them, this workshop will benefit the owner by showing what to do if a dog is bitten anyway.

Dogs showing curiosity towards snakes are especially prone to snake bites. These dogs will be taught that snakes are to be avoided.

This workshop consists of four parts:

- Part One: The Western Rattlesnake and Prairie Rattler, habits and identification. Dealing with snake bites.
- Part Two: Introduction to live snake to judge reaction..
- Part Three: Practicum with dead, reanimated snakes.
- Part Four: Teaching "Leave It".

Dogs are tested on parts three and four until the application is successful.

**Location:** Spring Canyon Dog Park Area (West end of Horsetooth Road, Fort Collins, CO.)

**Date and Time:** Sunday, Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am, 11:00 am, Noon, and 1:00 pm. (pick one)

**Instructors:** Terry Jester and VCA Fort Collins Animal Hospital Staff and Veterinarians

**Cost:** \$75 Same household/multi dog discount available. (\$50 each additional dog)

**Requirements:** Dogs and puppies should be a minimum of 5 months old and be leash trained.

Note: An "E" (electronic) collar will be used on your dog in parts 3 and 4.

## Questions? Call Terry Jester at 970-568-7585

Cut and mail the form below (keep the top half) to: "Snake Training" VCA Fort Collins Animal Hospital, 4900 South College Ave., Fort Collins, CO. 80525

Make check payable to: VCA Fort Collins Animal Hospital

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### Snake Training

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

(Check One) I would like: 10:00 am \_\_\_\_\_ 11:00 am \_\_\_\_\_ Noon \_\_\_\_\_ 1:00 pm \_\_\_\_\_ 2:00pm \_\_\_\_\_

(If Paying by Credit Card) Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date. \_\_\_\_\_ Where did you hear of this workshop? \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: or to be Charged: \$ \_\_\_\_\_