Dog Training Camp Michigan Home Transition Plan

A practical first-week rehearsal guide for carrying trainer-taught skills into daily household routines.

Verified page	https://fromtheheartdogservices.com/services/training-camp/
Program options	5 training days ($1,695) or 10 training days ($2,695)
Page prerequisites	5+ months old, fully vaccinated, 3+ weeks post-injury/surgery, and one prior private session
Core handoff	Daily updates, Friday owner session, and transition support

Before the dog comes home

Ask the trainer to demonstrate each cue, release word, reinforcement step, and recovery plan. Write down the exact sequence. Confirm feeding, medication, vaccination, emergency-contact, and pickup instructions directly with the provider. Agree which household handlers will practice and where the first quiet rehearsal will occur.

Day 1 - decompress and observe

Use one familiar cue in a quiet room. Reward a clear response and stop early. Record appetite, rest, elimination, and any unusual stress signal.

Day 2 - repeat the trainer sequence

Match the trainer's cue and release words. Practice place or crate calm for a short duration, then finish with an easy success.

Day 3 - change one variable

Change only room, distance, or duration. Keep other conditions predictable. If clarity drops, return to the last successful setup.

Day 4 - rehearse the hard home moment

Create a controlled version of the doorway, walk start, mealtime settle, play stop, or outdoor-trigger situation.

Day 5 - add a second handler

Have another household member follow the same sequence. Compare cues and timing; remove accidental differences.

Day 6 - add one modest distraction

Increase difficulty slightly while preserving distance and an exit route. Stop if the dog cannot respond or recover.

Day 7 - consolidate and report

Repeat the strongest setup. Send the trainer concrete notes: setting, cue, response, help required, recovery, and the next question.

Evidence-informed reminders

AVSAB supports reward-based training. AKC guidance emphasizes that skills learned away from home require owner practice and generalization. Michigan's state veterinarian reminded owners in August 2026 that vaccinations are required by many boarding and training facilities. For aggression, intense fear, pain-linked behavior, or sudden deterioration, consult the appropriate veterinarian or qualified behavior professional.

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Household cue sheet

Complete this page with the trainer. Use the same words, body position, reinforcement, and release across handlers.

Skill	Cue / signal	What earns reinforcement	Release / reset
Place			
Recall			
Loose-leash walking			
Crate calm			
Impulse control			
Play boundaries			

Progress log

Date / setting	Cue	Response	Help needed	Recovery / next step