



Training Guide



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Always read and follow the Operating Guide that accompanies your electronic training product.

General Tips

- Eliminate one misbehaviour or teach one obedience command at a time. If you move too fast with training, your pet may become confused.
- Be consistent. Correct your pet every time he misbehaves.
- Unless you can supervise him, it is recommended that you restrict your pet from situations in which he has a history of misbehaving. However, setting up a situation as a training session can dramatically improve your chances of success.
- If your pet reacts to the tones by hiding or acting fearful, redirect his attention to a simple and appropriate behaviour, such as the “sit” command.
- Pets should be at least 6 months old before using the Trainer.
- Only let responsible family members use the Trainer. It is not a toy!
- Other pets in hearing range will be affected by the training tones. Therefore, training sessions should be conducted out of hearing range of other pets.
- Never use the Remote Trainer to correct or eliminate any form of aggressive behaviour. We recommend you contact your local veterinarian or professional trainer to determine if your pet might be aggressive.
- Training instructions in this guide are written for use with the Transmitter being programmed to Dog 1. Adjust the instructions to fit your desired training mode.

Teaching Your Pet the Positive Tone

Before using the Trainer to correct your pet, spend 10 to 15 minutes per day for 2 or 3 days helping him create the association of the tone with reward and praise. To accomplish this:

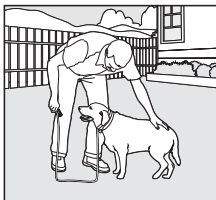
1. Push the Tone button for 2 consecutive seconds.
2. Release the button and immediately reward your pet with verbal praise, petting, or a small food reward. Spend 3 to 5 seconds on your rewarding.
3. Wait a few minutes and repeat holding the Tone button for 2 seconds following with praise.

Vary the reward to prevent your pet from anticipating a specific type. This stage of training is complete when your pet obviously anticipates a reward when he hears the positive tone.

Teaching Basic Obedience

The “Sit” Command

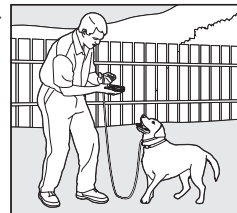
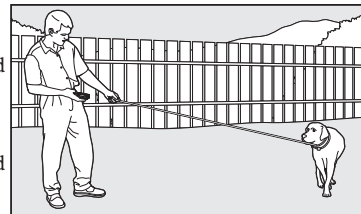
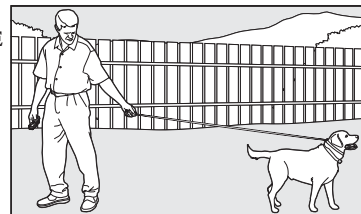
1. Put a separate, non-metallic collar on your pet’s neck ABOVE the Receiver Collar, and attach a 3-metre lead. *Note: Be sure the extra collar does not put pressure on the Contact Points.*
2. Hold the lead and the Remote Transmitter in one hand. Keep your other hand free to guide your pet into a “Sit” position.
3. Press and hold the Stimulation Only button.
4. Immediately give the “Sit” command while continuing to hold the Stimulation Only button.
5. Release the Stimulation Only button as soon as your pet is in position, and praise him.
6. Release your pet from the “Sit” command and play.
7. Repeat Steps 2 through 6.



Note: If your pet breaks the “Sit” command, repeat steps 3 through 6. Keep your pet close to you while teaching the “Sit” command.

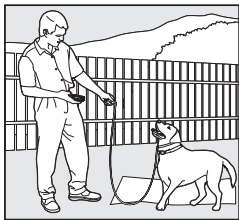
The “Come” Command

1. Put a separate, non-metallic collar on your pet’s neck ABOVE the Receiver Collar, and attach a 3-metre lead. *Note: Be sure the extra collar does not put pressure on the Contact Points.*
2. Hold your lead in one hand and the Remote Transmitter in the other.
3. Wait for your pet to walk away from you. Using the Recognition Level for your pet, press and hold the Stimulation Only button on your Remote Transmitter.
4. Immediately give the command “Come” while continuing to hold the Stimulation Only button.
5. Using the lead, gently guide your pet toward you until he begins to come in your direction.
6. Immediately release the Stimulation Only button as soon as your pet steps towards you, and praise him enthusiastically.
7. Quickly move backwards as your pet begins to come back to you, praising him the entire time.
8. Praise your pet when he returns to you.
9. Repeat Steps 3 through 8.
10. Once your pet responds readily to the “Come” command several times, back away from him without giving a command. When your pet turns toward you, give the command “Come” (WITHOUT STIMULATION) and praise him while you continue to back up. Praise your pet when he returns to you.
11. Use your lead to prevent your pet from running past you. If your pet manages to run past you, repeat Steps 3 through 8.



The “Stay” Command

1. Put a separate, non-metallic collar on your pet’s neck ABOVE the Receiver Collar, and attach a 3-metre lead. *Note: Be sure the extra collar does not put pressure on the Contact Points.*
2. Put your pet on his bed. Hold your lead in one hand and the Remote Transmitter in the other.
3. Staying within 91 centimetres, walk the perimeter of the bed. Do not say anything to your pet.
4. If your pet tries to leave the bed, press and hold the Stimulation Only button and give the “Stay” command. Continue to hold the button until your pet is back on his bed. If necessary, use the lead to guide your pet onto his place.
5. Praise your pet when he is back on his bed.
6. Once your pet has settled for a few seconds, release him and play calmly.
7. Repeat steps 1 through 5.



Eliminating Unwanted Behaviour

Jumping Up

Pets typically jump up to get attention. If you do not want your pet to jump on you, then friends or members of the family should not encourage this behaviour. That means every time your pet jumps on someone, he should be reprimanded or redirected to an alternate and acceptable behaviour, for which he can receive praise.

Note: It is best if your pet first understands the “Sit” command.

1. Choose your pet’s Recognition Level.
2. As soon as your pet lifts his paws off the ground to jump on you, press the Stimulation Only button and give the command “Sit”.
3. Release the Stimulation Only button immediately
4. Once your pet is sitting, and verbally praise him.
5. If your pet ignores the stimulation, increase the Intensity Level by 1.
6. Practice this exercise in several different areas and use different people for distractions.

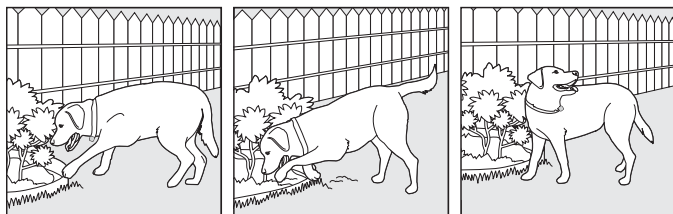


Digging

It is important to first understand why your pet is digging. Many dogs, such as terriers, were bred to flush out prey, and digging is very innate to them. Other dogs may be digging to find a cool spot to lie down, or simply out of boredom. Your pet may no longer have the desire to dig if he is provided with the following:

- A cool, shaded area in which to lie down, and plenty of water.
- An alternate activity, such as a favorite toy.
- Plenty of play, exercise, and attention.
- A garden free from rodents or prey that he may be trying to flush out.

1. Choose the Intensity Level 1 higher than your pet's Recognition Level.
2. Place the Receiver Collar on your pet and wait at least 10 minutes before placing him in the garden. No other people or pets should be in the garden, as you do not want your pet to associate the stimulation with anything other than his digging. Your pet must be securely fenced in or contained during training.
3. From a window or area where your pet cannot see you, wait until your pet begins to dig.
4. While your pet digs, press the Stimulation Only button and release it when he stops digging. Only press the button while your pet is in the act of digging, and do not say anything to him.
5. If your pet ignores the stimulation, increase the Intensity Level by 1.
6. Continue to watch your pet, as he may choose another area to dig.
7. Do not allow your pet in the garden unsupervised until he has completely stopped digging.



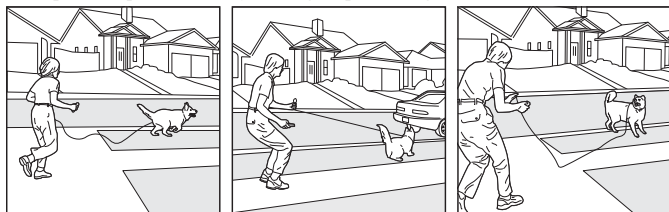
Chasing

Chasing is an instinctive behaviour stimulated by moving objects. Some dogs have a particularly strong desire to chase that can put them in harm's way and leave you helpless. Never allow your dog off the lead or out of a contained area until he has learned the "Come" command, regardless of the distraction. Be consistent and correct your dog every time he chases something.

1. If your dog has not learned the "Come" command, keep a lead on him so you can physically stop him before he reaches the object he is chasing.
2. Choose the Intensity Level 1 higher than your dog's Recognition Level.
3. Set up a scenario where your dog is enticed to chase an object. Common items could be cars, motorcycles, bicycles, etc. (do not use toys).
4. When the object passes in front of your dog, make sure to hold the lead

with a firm grip. As soon as your dog begins to chase the object, press and hold the Stimulation Only button until he stops.

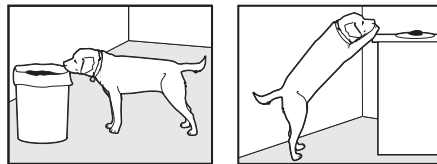
5. When your dog stops chasing the object, immediately release the button, walk backwards and give the command "Come." Praise your dog as he comes to you.
6. Repeat the process until your dog stops chasing the object.



Rubbish Raiding

The easiest way to prevent rubbish raiding is to remove rubbish and tempting food from your pet's environment. You can use the Remote Trainer to teach your pet to stay away from these items; however, you must be prepared to correct your pet every time he approaches them.

1. Choose the Intensity Level 1 higher than your pet's Recognition Level.
2. Pick a temptation for your pet and position yourself where he cannot see you.
3. While your pet's mouth is touching the temptation, press and hold the Stimulation Only button. Immediately release the button when your pet leaves the temptation.
4. Do not say anything, as you want your pet to associate the stimulation with his behaviour, not you.
5. If your pet does not respond to the stimulation, increase the Intensity Level by 1 and repeat the process.
6. Repeat this process in several different locations with different temptations.



Excessive Barking

Barking is an instinctive behaviour for dogs. It is impossible to keep your dog from barking entirely, but you can teach him to be quiet when you give him a command.

Note: This will only be effective when you are at home with your dog.

1. Choose your pet's Recognition Level.
2. Put your dog in a situation that will tempt him to bark.
3. When your dog begins to bark, press the Stimulation Only button and give him the command "Quiet".
4. Immediately release the button once your dog stops barking and praise him.
5. If your dog ignores the stimulation and continues to bark, increase the Intensity Level by 1 and repeat the process.
6. Practice this exercise in different areas using different situations that would cause your dog to bark.



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