

Puppy Paw Camp Equipment List

When to Use & Why



Limited Slip Collar

2 - 4 months old only, unless puppy is high energy. Then graduate to Micro Prong at 3 months of age.

Collar Walks, Learning, In-House on Leash



Flat Collar

Throughout life

Learning Calm Collar, Holding Tags, Back-up collar for Prong NEVER for movement activities



Micro Prong Collar

3 - 4 months old & up. Replaces limited slip collar.

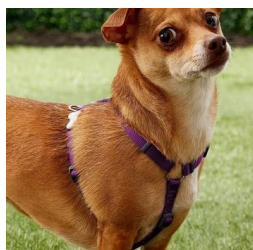
*Collar Walks, Learning, In-House on Leash. Can use for calm collar, but more effective with flat collar. *Must get type with Triangle tightening part like shown,. Tightening part can be nylon.*

Baskerville Muzzle



Throughout life. Size may change as they grow. This style lets dog pant, breathe better, drink water, & eat. Wrap top sections with blanket yarn for more comfort. Ask & I'll show you how.

Good idea to teach puppy to accept muzzle & see it as a good thing, just in case one is ever needed. If an ambulance gets you, they may call animal control, who typically muzzles on principle.



Y - Harness

Purple Example: 2 - 5 months old

Blue Example: 6 months old & up (more support in chest for stronger dog)

Sniff & explore walks, free time playing in yard, playing concept of fetch inside up until beginner paw camp (to avoid sudden pressure on neck), calm harness hold, holding still for vet



****Do Not get "step in", strap across chest, or anything that looks like it cuts across shoulder, instead of at angle**



Flat Collar

Throughout life

*Holding tags, learning Stand & Stop
NEVER for movement activities*

Y - Harness

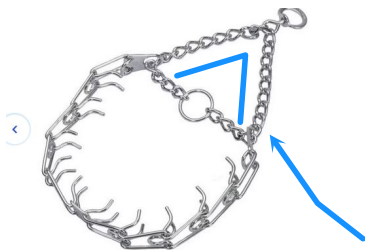


**No "step in" or across
chest or shoulder**

6 months old & up (more support in chest for stronger dog)

Sniff & explore walks, early pull training, calm harness hold, holding still for vet

TRAINING COLLAR CHOICES



2.25mm or 3mm Prong Collar

Best for weak hands, high intensity/energy dogs. We'll choose size based on age of dog, type of fur, & dog's intensity.

*Loose leash, heel work, & training. *Must get type with Triangle tightening part like shown; tightening part can be nylon*



Chain Slip Collar

Medium - low intensity dogs, multi-purpose collar

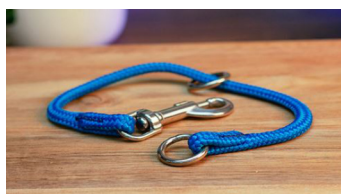
Training, walks, attention exercise, calm collar, Stand/Stop training, hold tags



Braided Chain Slip

Dogs with thick/longer fur, multi-purpose collar

Training, walks, attention exercise, calm collar, Stand/Stop training, hold tags



Dominant Dog Collar

More exact fit to dog's neck size, stays up behind ears, similar to other slips

Training, walks, attention exercise, calm collar, Stand/Stop training, hold tags

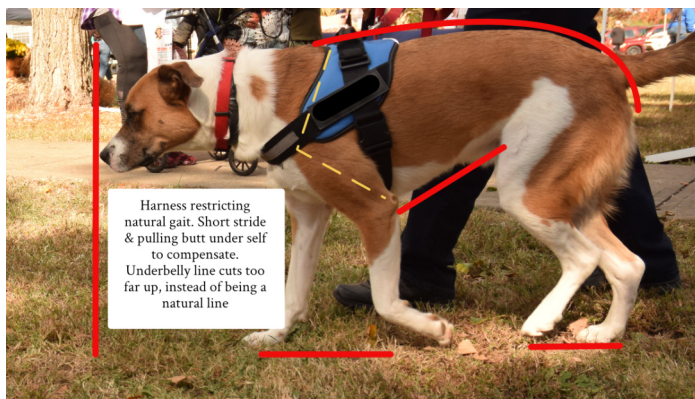


Rope Slip Collar

Sensitive dogs, multi-purpose collar

Training, walks, attention exercise, calm collar, Stand/Stop training, hold tags

“No-Pull”, D-Chest, “Step In” Harnesses



These harnesses “work” by literally restricting the dog’s ability to move their front legs forward to their natural stride. Using them long term can cause damage to muscles. Even some Y harnesses are designed poorly. Please double check with me before buying & using a harness. Harnesses at all are ONLY for learning to pull, work pulling, and car safety.

Gentle Leader/Head-Halti/Head Collar

These work by putting pressure on facial nerve bundles in the dog’s face. These do hurt worse than a prong collar, and if a dog thrashes on one or “finds the end of the leash” too fast, they could hurt their neck. These can also cause facial swelling.

Notice in the photo of the husky, how him fighting the collar also changes how he carries himself.

Halti users defend it as being designed like a halter for a horse. It skips over the truth that we spend MONTHS teaching foals to yield to a halter + our body’s spatial pressure + lead rope guidance. And even then, they’re 100% able to drag us if they decide to do so.



Flat Martingale Collar

Similar to the pressure release, but since it’s still a flat collar, it spreads out the pressure with the width of the collar and doesn’t have the same impact other training collars are able to impress.

**Might be an acceptable choice for a very sensitive dog, but it’s not something I want you using to begin. We’ll make that choice together.*

