



# Manners

## Training Essentials

In order to help make your training session successful, it is also important to have all the necessary tools!

### Treats

Treats used for training should be small, chewy and stinky! We like to break up treats into small pieces to help the dog chew as well as to not cause any digestive upset.

There are different values of treats, all of which differ by the dog!

**Low Value**– Kibble, Dry, Crunchy treats

**Medium Value**– Soft, Chewy, Stinky

**High Value**– Chicken, Hot Dogs– Anything your dog finds very valuable

We use different values of treats depending on the situation. In a high distraction area, your dog may need that HIGH value food reinforcement.

You should always have some type of food reinforcement with you as it is always nice for your dog to get paid for the behaviors they are doing well!

### No–Pull Equipment

We recommend using No– Pull equipment like a front clip harness when walking your dog. This tool helps aid in reinforcing Loose Leash Walking. Remember: it is a tool, it does not automatically fix the pulling. *Refer to our Loose Leash Walking handout for how to work on this exercise.*

Examples of No-Pull Harnesses: Two-Hounds Freedom Harness, Blue-9 Balance Harness, Sens-Ation Harness and Easy Walk Harness.

### Leash

A standard leash for general walking is necessary! Anywhere from 4-6 feet in length.

A long line (10-15ft) is beneficial for working on Recall! Helps aid in reinforcing your dog coming when called.

### Treat Pouch \*Optional\*

Having a treat pouch to store all your yummy treats is optional but beneficial! You can also use your pocket!