

# Training Guide

## The New Universal Remote Trainer

Congratulations! You've selected one of the easiest ways to have a better behaved and happier dog. With a little bit of patience and time invested by you and a little help from your new Pet Stop® Universal Remote Trainer, you will be rewarded with years of fun and trouble free companionship. You can now control any number of annoying behaviors your dog may have such as jumping up, digging or stealing food with your new Universal Remote Trainer by following a few simple steps.



### Training Rules:

**One behavior at a time** - Focus on bringing one problem behavior under control at a time to avoid your dog becoming frustrated or confused.

**Teach your dog** - Spend time teaching your dog acceptable behaviors, such as obedience commands or simply to fetch a favorite toy. Your dog needs to learn how to earn rewards, not only to avoid punishment.

**Consistency is a must** - Punishing a behavior one time and not at others will probably not solve your problem, and will in all likelihood make it worse.

**Timing is everything** - Applying the pulse correction with the Universal Trainer must be timely at the exact moment your dog is misbehaving - not before or after.

### HOT TRAINING TIP!

The warning tone function is frequently all that is required for dogs that are properly trained to a pet fencing system. Press the warning tone on the Universal Remote Trainer before applying any stimulation at the moment your dog is misbehaving. This should stop the behavior and give you an opportunity to redirect your dog to a more acceptable and rewarding activity such as – “Get your ball!”



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### Using the Stimulation Modes

At the moment your dog is exhibiting a particular problem behavior, such as digging, press the pulse mode button on your handheld remote. Remember that timing and consistency is everything. There are two different duration buttons – ½ second and a full second. Try the ½ second setting first.

Although you are pushing the hand controller button, do not make it obvious to your dog that you are the source of the punishment and no verbal reprimand is necessary. Your dog will soon learn that it is his behavior that causes the collar to turn on and off, not you. You will need to catch your dog in the act a number of consecutive times to be successful. Otherwise, you run the risk of actually strengthening your dog's problem behaviors.

After correcting your dog for an unacceptable behavior, it is helpful to redirect your dog to an activity that will earn a reward such as, "get your ball!" Play with your dog for redirecting his energy in a positive fashion.

### HOT TRAINING TIP!

Teaching your dog "OFF" is quick, easy and fun for both you and your dog. OFF will help your dog understand that there are times when he can not touch, making it easier for you to correct problem behaviors such as jumping or getting on prized furniture. Hold a small treat between the tips of your fingers, where your dog can not grab the treat without touching you. The second your dog attempts to take the food, pull the treat back and say, "OFF". Present the treat again in the same manner. Each attempt for the treat that results in touching your fingers causes you to pull the treat away and say, "OFF".

Wait until your dog will not attempt to grab the treat. Wait three seconds and then say "OK!" giving your dog the treat and a bunch of praise. Repeat the exercise until your dog understands that you have to say "OK!" before he can have his prize.

As he starts to understand that "OFF" means don't touch - until you say it is "OK", you can increase the amount of time before he earns his reward. Try this same exercise before you reward your pet with a favorite toy or food bowl before eating.



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### Using Positive Vibration Mode

Having an enjoyable and reliable companion isn't just a matter of correcting problem behaviors. Even more important is recognizing and rewarding good or positive behaviors that your dog exhibits for most of the day, but goes unnoticed and unrewarded. The Positive Vibration mode is a powerful way to reinforce good behaviors when used in conjunction with meaningful rewards for your dog. Although individual dog's needs will vary and also change throughout the day, small food treats, favorite toys or petting and attention work best. Rewarding good behavior does not take 'training time.' When you recognize that your dog has exhibited a desirable behavior such as coming to you, sitting patiently or simply being quiet chewing on a toy, simply press and hold the the vibration button and reward your dog with a treat or other reward. Over a short period of time the rewards and reinforcement will make it more likely that your dog will demonstrate these positive behaviors more frequently, while avoiding the annoying behaviors that turn on the static training collar correction or bring on your disapproval. As a rule of thumb, you should be rewarding twenty good behaviors to every time that you need to correction one undesirable behavior.

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### HOT TRAINING TIP!

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After you have spent time shaping your dog's good behaviors with rewards and the Positive Vibration mode, use the vibration from longer distances such as when your dog is out in the backyard. When you press the vibration button, you will most likely find your dog seeking you out for their reward. As your dog is running toward you, give the "come!" command and reward liberally when they arrive. Soon, only yelling "come" will be enough to bring your dog running!



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