

LLW- PRACTICE WITH PUP ON BOTH SIDES OF ME

Never let pup learn that pulling = forward movement

Carry pup, use stroller, practice off-leash in a contained area, or use a long line once pup is comfortable with harness.

Harness protects pup's neck during learning, leash also attached to collar

	No leash (or long line on harness)- reinforce pup for choosing to check-in. Start indoors
	Get duration in heel position (stationary)
Pup can move with me:	
	In heel position- one step/mark/treat repeat Gradually add more steps
	Changing direction as I do (1 step turns)
	Pup can move with me in heel near other dog in the house in a down, sit, or stand
	Pup can move with me while other dog also moves with us (all off leash)
	While leash/long line is dragging near us not attached to pup (no biting of line)
	Walking between/around/near low level distractions
	Pup can do a turn on a slightly raised plank, walk end to end with turn at each end
	On a long line, even away from me in an open area, pup can follow my movement
	In a safe area, hide from pup if he gets distracted
	Be sure pup has worked on hand zen/no mugging
Tight leash = come (After pup is comfortable with collar/harness)	
Work on a table:	
	Touch the harness – back, sides front, clip, etc. Mark still feet
	Apply slight pressure with the harness AS the treat moves the pup to relieve pressure
	Apply slight pressure just before the treat, mark if the pup moves in correct direction
	Pressure backwards = turn around- pressure, then toss treat (to the side, then behind)
	Pressure to the front = move forward. Start with a lure, then use a marker
	Impulse control- treat lure in my hand just out of reach, when leash goes slack, C/T
	Treat on the floor- leash goes slack, mark and reward with treat tossed in opposite direction
	Treat and pup farther from me- mark/reward turning toward me
Work on the floor:	
	Repeat Impulse control steps above
	Treat (or toy, or crumpled paper) tossed farther away
	Work up to being able to walk past the treat/distraction
	Practice with other distractions/scents
Looking with loose leash might mean investigating- Teach the pup that the way to ask to investigate is to stare at the thing, spot or direction of the scent rather than pulling	
	While out walking, if the pup pulls toward something- STOP. Mark when the leash goes loose and reward next to me. If the pup then chooses to look without pulling, let them investigate/move closer. Tight leash = repeat this process.
	The above only works when LLW (not heeling) and might result in a “with me” cue instead.
	Can practice by taking loose leash sniffaries. Dog can sniff/explore whatever it can reach with a loose leash and staring with a loose leash changes the direction of travel (or gets a “with me”).