



Fitting and Using an Easy-Walk Harness

Easy Walk harnesses are available for medium-sized dogs. These adjustable harnesses are designed to make leash-walking more enjoyable for both the human and the dog. The no-pull mechanism works by causing the dog to get turned around when he pulls, taking him further from his target. The beauty of these harnesses is that many dogs need little-to-no training to see improvement! For many, getting turned around just once is enough for them to think, "Welp! That doesn't work anymore!" and start walking nicely on the leash.

Fitting these harnesses can be a bit tricky at first, so here are some tips:

- The silver strap goes underneath the dog and the leash coordinates with the striped strap, which goes on top.
- The loop with the d-ring sits on the dog's chest.
- Put the harness on the dog by unclipping the bottom strap and looping the other over his head. Get a sense of how much adjusting you need to do with the straps, take the harness off and make the first round of adjustments.
- Put the harness back and make the final adjustments while the harness is on the dog's body. Be sure to adjust the front strap in addition to the top and bottom straps. If the front is too loose, it will knock the dog's knees. The harness should be snug, but not tight. If the harness is fitted too loosely, the dog can step right out of it, so be sure you have it securely in place.
- If a dog seems nervous about having the harness put on, you can lure his head through with a piece of food. Once you have the harness looped over his head, you can toss a few treats on the floor to find while you clip the bottom strap. You can also have someone else feed the dog while you secure the harness.

If you'd like to use a harness to need assistance, please see Lindsay!

Thank you!