



Guide Dogs for the Blind

Puppy Raising Manual

Change Log 2023

The following is an ongoing list of all changes to the PR Manual in calendar year 2023. Most recent changes are at the top. All updated documents also have their footers updated with the month/year of the change.

July 2023

- Updated [Welcome to Guide Dogs for the Blind](#) with Nexgard® information
- Updated [Puppy Packet Contents List](#) with Nexgard® information
- Updated [Veterinary Care Guidelines](#) with Nexgard® information
- Updated [Ear Care, Teeth Cleaning, and Heartgard and Nexgard Guidelines](#)
- Updated [Health Care & Reimbursement Guidelines](#) with Nexgard® information
- NEW [Nexgard FAQ](#)
- NEW [Frontline Gold](#) – instructions moved from previous version of *Ear Care, Teeth Cleaning, and Heartgard and Frontline Guidelines*
- Removed Flea Prevention Checklist and Nexgard Order Form

May 2023

- NEW [Retrieving Game](#) as an option for interactive play

April 2023

- Updated [Air Travel for Puppies in Training](#) to reflect new guidance from Alaska allowing vaccine record or health certificate to fly as a service dog in training in-cabin.
- Updated [Providing for a Safe and Ethical Puppy Raising Environment](#) with most current language in the GDB Humane Treatment Policy for staff and volunteers.
- NEW [Instructions for Submitting Veterinary Invoices for Reimbursement](#). Updated the following documents to reflect the ability to submit reimbursement requests by e-mail as well as no longer needing pre-authorization for after-hours (5pm-8am) emergency medical treatment under \$3000:
 - [Veterinary Care Guidelines](#)
 - [GDB Veterinary Contact Information for Puppy Raisers](#)
 - [Veterinary Care Flow Chart](#)
 - [Veterinarian Intro Letter](#) for local vets
 - [Health Care & Reimbursement Guidelines](#) for local vets
- Updated [Grooming](#) document to reflect ear cleaning and teeth brushing updates from February.

March 2023

- NEW [Crate Bedding](#) document providing guidance on appropriate bedding that can be left in crates, even when puppies are unsupervised. Previous language that prohibited the use of crate bedding have been updated to reflect new guidelines in [Confinement](#) and [Puppy 101 Class 1](#).

February 2023

- Updated [GDB Social Media Guidelines for Volunteers](#) with more specific clarification around the separation of personal business and commerce efforts and GDB-related activities and more details about Accessible Posting and Privacy Considerations
- NEW [Social Media Best Practices](#) quick reference sheet
- Updated [Ear Care, Teeth Cleaning, and Heartgard/Frontline Guidelines](#) so that ear cleaning instructions match what is taught to clients in class along with NEW video demonstrations of [Ear Cleaning](#) and [Teeth Brushing](#)

January 2023

- Added a direct link to the [Diarrhea Kit Flow Chart](#) from the [Diarrhea Kit](#) for quick reference