Policies and Procedures

Welcome to Puppy Raising

- Welcome to Guide Dogs for the Blind (GDB)
  - About GDB
  - GDB Fact Sheet
  - GDB FAQ for Puppy Raisers
- Puppy Raising Volunteer Application Process
  - Puppy Raising Volunteer Co-Raising Agreement

Puppy Raising Club Structure and Leadership

- Effective Leadership
- Puppy Raising Club Structure
- Puppy Raising Club Fundraising
- Safe and Ethical Environment
  - GDB Harassment Policy
  - Child Abuse Reporting Laws by GDB States

Public Access for Guide Dog Puppies

- Access and Etiquette for Guide Dog Puppies
  - Insurance Certificate Request Form

Marketing and Social Media

- Marketing and Social Media
- GDB Puppy Raising Branding Guidelines
- GDB Puppy Raising Facebook Account Instructions
- Social Media Guidelines for Volunteers
- Media Tips and Talking Points
- Graduation Media Release for Puppy Raisers (Word)

After Puppies are Recalled to Campus

- Beyond Puppy Raising
  - Training Phase Descriptions
- Career Change Dogs and Retired Guides
  - Common Medical Career Change Conditions
  - Dog Placements with Non-Profit Organizations

Puppy Raising Overview

- Puppy Raising R+ Training Philosophy
  - Modifying Inappropriate Behavior
- Final Behavior Goals
  - Goal Behaviors Tracking Sheet
- Verbal Cues
- R+ Terminology
- FAQ on Using a Marker
- Order of Training Reference Guide and Training Chart
- Recognizing and Reporting Negative Behaviors
- Evaluations, Assessments, and Possible Outcomes

PREPARING FOR A NEW PUPPY

Preparing for a New Puppy
- Creating a Safe Environment for a GDB Puppy
- Puppy's Arrival
- Confinement
- Equipment
- Feeding Guidelines

Puppy Packet: General Information
- Sample Puppy Raiser Info Sheet
- Puppy Packet Contents List
- Puppy Raiser Veterinary Care Intro Letter
- Veterinary Care Guidelines
- FAQ on Common Puppy Medical Issues
- GDB Veterinary Care Contact Sheet
- About Puppy Raiser Monthly & Final Reports
- Ear Care, Teeth Cleaning, and Heartgard/Frontline Guidelines
  - Prescription Label Heartgard
  - Prescription Label NexGard
- Puppy Diarrhea Study Survey Letter
  - Fecal Scoring Handout
  - Vomiting & Diarrhea Track Sheet
- Puppy Raising Nutritional Policy
- Veterinary Expense Reimbursement Request Form (Sample)
- Veterinary Expense Reimbursement Request Form

Puppy Packet: Handouts to Share with Your Local Veterinarian
- Veterinary Care Orientation Packet Cover Sheet
- Veterinarian Intro Letter
- Veterinary Health Care and Reimbursement Guidelines
- W9 Form for Local Veterinarian

Puppy Packet: Handouts for Special Circumstances
- Base Narrow Canines: Discharge Instructions
- Base Narrow Canines: Post Op Instructions
- Diarrhea Handout: Puppy Poop Safety
- Early Alter Schedule for GDB Puppies
- Entropion Tacking: Discharge Instructions
- Salmonella Handout
- Undescended Testicles Information Sheet
- Kennel Cough-General Information
- Kennel Cough-Puppy Exposure
- Parvo Exposure in Young Puppies-General Recommendations
- Puppy Going to Puppy Raiser Home on Hill's i/d Diet
- Recessed Vulva Information Sheet
- Umbilical Hernia Information Sheet

PUPPY CARE

Health
- Veterinary Care Guidelines
  - Veterinary Care Flow Chart
- Vaccine Schedule Chart
- Fecal Scoring Handout
- Feeding Guidelines
  - Puppy Raising Nutritional Policy
  - Body Condition Scoring
- FAQ on Common Puppy Medical Issues
- GDB Veterinary Care Contact Sheet
- Ear Care, Teeth Cleaning, and Heartgard/Frontline Guidelines
- Flea Prevention Information
  - Flea Prevention Checklist and Nexgard Order Form (Word)
- Boarding Female Dogs In Season
- Common Medical Career Change Conditions

Handling
- Puppy Body Handling
  - Video: Puppy Handling, Part 1
  - Video: Puppy Handling, Part 2
- Grooming
- Nail Trimming
  - Video: Nail Trimming

Exercise and Play
- Puppy Raising Toy Policy
- Exercise and Play
- Swimming and Wading for GDB Puppies
- GDB Puppy Watercraft Guidelines

HOUSE BEHAVIOR

House Behavior
- Teaching Good House Behavior
- Teaching Settled Behavior in the Home
- Confinement
- Crate Introduction Game
- Home Alone
- Preventing Destructive Behavior
- Preventing Counter Surfing
- Relieving and Housebreaking
- Dog-to-Dog Interaction

PUPPY SOCIALIZATION

Puppy Socialization
- Puppy Socialization
- Chart: Steps to a Well Socialized Puppy
- Blank Puppy Sitting Form
  - Printer-friendly Blank Puppy Sitting Form (Word)
- Travel Guidelines
  - Form: Travel Request for GDB Puppies (Word)
- Dog-to-Dog Interaction
- Building a Confident Puppy with R+
- Puppies with Sensitive Temperaments
  - Canine Body Language: Subtle Signs of Fear and Anxiety
TRAINING AND GAMES

Section 1: Starting Off Right
- **Crate Introduction Game**
- **Relieving and Housebreaking**
- **Food Reward Games**
  - Video: R+ Training: The Basics Part 1
  - Video: R+ Training: The Basics Part 2
- **Pezzing & Luring**
- **Puppy Body Handling**
  - Video: Puppy Handling, Part 1
  - Video: Puppy Handling, Part 2
- **Grooming**
- **Nail Trimming**
  - Video: Nail Trimming

Section 2: First Lessons and Games
- **Introducing The Gentle Leader**
  - Video: Introducing The Gentle Leader
- **Food Induced Recall**
  - Video: Food Induced Recall, Part 1
  - Video: Food Induced Recall, Part 2
- **Ground Tether Part 1: Introduction**
  - Video: Ground Tether Intro
- **Ground Tether Part 2**
  - Video: Ground Tether Impulse Control
  - Video: Ground Tether for Greeting Manners
- **Hand Tether**
- **Hand Tether in Motion**
- **Paw Pad Game #1**
  - Video: Paw Pad Game #1
- **Paw Pad Game #2**
  - Video: Paw Pad Game #2
- **Video: Paw Pad Dropped Food Games, Part 1**
- **Video: Paw Pad Dropped Food Games, Part 2**
- **Video: Paw Pad Dropped Food Games, Part 3**

Section 3: Settling and Leash Manners
- **Collar Cues for GDB Puppies**
  - Video: Collar Cues for GDB Puppies
- **Rewarding Calm Behavior**
  - Video: Rewarding Calm Behavior
- **Loose Leash Walking Guidelines**
  - Video: Loose Leash Walking Guidelines
- “Go to Bed” Game

Section 4: Foundation Positions (Stand, Sit, and Down)
- **Signals for Stand, Sit and Down**
  - Video: Signals for Stand, Sit and Down
- **Modeling (Hand-Placed) Foundation Positions**
  - Video: Modeling (Hand-Placed) Foundation Positions
- **Introducing the Foundation Position Sit**
  - Video: Introducing the Foundation Position Sit
- **Paw Pad Game #3**
  - Video: Paw Pad Game #3
- **Introducing the Foundation Position Down**
  - Video: Introducing the Foundation Position Down
- **Paw Pad Game #4**
Section 5: Real World Challenges
- Dog-to-Dog Interaction
- Food Rewards for Countering Distractions
  - Video: Food Rewards for Countering Distractions
- Emergency Lure Technique
  - Video: Emergency Lure Technique

Section 6: Extra Training Resources
- Pezzing and Luring
- Paw Pads Fancy Stacking
- Paw Pads Suggestions and Guidelines
- Building a Confident Puppy with R+
  - Canine Body Language: Subtle Signs of Fear and Anxiety
- Guidelines for Use of High Value Food Rewards
- Video: Southern California Puppy Raiser Workshop

RUFF NOTES

Ruff Notes Archive
- Ruff Notes June 2017 – Fear of Dogs and Dog Distraction
- Ruff Notes Aug 2017 – Crating Issues
- Ruff Notes Dec 2017 – Raiser Monthly Reports
- Ruff Notes Feb 2018 – Surviving Puppy Adolescence
- Ruff Notes May 2018 – Someone’s at the Door!
- Ruff Notes Oct 2018 – Relieving Review
- Ruff Notes Dec 2018 – Getting the Most Out of the Instructional Videos
- Ruff Notes Mar 2019 – Fading the Lure
- Ruff Notes May 2019 – Reporting Negative Behaviors
- Ruff Notes Aug 2019 – Phase Reports