

The Perfect Dog®

Fun Fetch Ball Instructions

Don Sullivan invented the Fun Fetch Ball as a tool to help people teach their dogs to retrieve. By having the ball attached to a line, you can throw the ball out and reel it back in if your dog lacks interest, drops the ball, or tries to wander off with the ball.

Using the Fun Fetch Ball is simple and will give you and your dog hours of quality time together. It also provides the dog with much needed exercise!

After you have gone out to a large open area, here are the simple steps to train your dog with the Fun Fetch Ball.

- ▶ Grab the ball letting the rope dangle down to the ground in a pile beside you. Throw the ball forward letting the rope trail it.
- ▶ As you throw the ball, say “Get the ball!” to your dog in a happy tone.
- ▶ As the dog runs for the ball, squat and pick up the rope. Once the dog picks up the ball, slowly reel in the line and your dog... all the while encouraging your dog to “Bring it here!”
- ▶ When the dog gets close to you, reach out and take the ball in your hand. Simultaneously tell the dog to “Drop the ball!” in a firm tone.
- ▶ It will take a few tries, but eventually the dog will understand that they are to give you the ball in your hand every time.
- ▶ If the dog drops the ball before he brings it to you, you can initiate interest in the ball again by slowly wiggling it back and forth. Encourage the dog again to get the ball and pick it up.
- ▶ Remember that the Fun Fetch Ball is not designed as a tug toy and, if used as such, can dislodge the ball from the rope. If your dog tries to tug with you, tell him “No!” in a firm voice. Typically once the dog understands that the ball will be thrown again when they bring it to you, this tugging will stop.

That's it! Now go outside and enjoy some quality play time with your dog!