

FLIRT POLE

I love the Flirt Pole as a play & training tool!

It satisfies the dogs natural predatory instinct, provides you with some light hearted training opportunities, and it is so much fun for your pup!

So many more benefits including:

- Teaching bite inhibition
- ✓ Satiating predatory drives in dogs
- ✓ Teaching impulse control (on/off switch)
- ✓ Improving bond between dog and human through play
- Great work out for the dog!
- ✓ Burns a lot of doggy energy

THE RULES

- 1. Hold the toy part up so that your puppy can't get it, they can try to jump up to it so please don't reprimand for that.
- 2. Ask for a SIT if you have one. If not that's okay, just wait until they stop jumping!
- 3. Use your RELEASE CUE (I use OKAY) to release your puppy to chase the prey
- 4. Quickly lower the toy to the ground and release your puppy to chase it!
- 5. Start moving the toy with the pole, like prey!
- 6. When you want to, let your puppy "CATCH" the prey and play some good **TUG** with it, don't short cut this, it is the best part to your pup!
- 7. When you are ready say DROP IT
- 8. THEN show your puppy a treat you may have to put it right in front of their nose
- 9. When they let go of the toy,
- 10. Toss the treat away so that they have to drop and move away from the flirt pole toy and you can quickly pick it back up!

Do it all again and again!

PRO TIPS

- ✓ Teeth on skin ends the game. Period. Even if the dog bit you by mistake.
- ✓ Do not leave Flirt Pole lying around your house, keep this a special game between you.
- ✓ A reliable OUT or DROP cue is a very handy.
- ✓ Let your dog "win" often. It will build his confidence!