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Dog Harnesses

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SENSE-ation Harness

Quick Release Buckle – The quick release buckle is usually made of two plastic components that interlock together. Pressing the buttons on either side will release the lock. The quick release buckle is often found on the belly strap; although some harnesses have a quick release on the back strap too.

Belly Strap – The belly strap is usually longer than the back strap. As seen in the picture, the black material is the belly strap, and is about an inch longer than the back strap. This belly strap is easy to identify from the other straps because it is the only strap that has a plastic, quick release buckle.



Back Strap – The back strap is usually shorter than the belly and front straps. The back strap usually has the manufacturer tag or label because companies want their product names seen and remembered. The back strap will be positioned on the back of the dog.

Front Chest Strap – The front chest strap for this harness has a leash loop in the middle of it. Find the leash loop, and you have the front chest strap. In this picture, the front chest strap is the green strap on either side of the leash loop.

Leash Loop – The leash loop is sometimes referred to as a D-ring or an O-ring because of its shape. This harness' leash loop only has two pieces of cloth material connected to it; as opposed to three like the back and belly straps. The leash loop is a large, metal loop and is found on the front chest strap. The leash loop will be positioned on the chest of the dog. Connect the leash to the collar and harness leash loops.

Placing the SENSE-ation harness over the head with a treat as a lure



1. Hold the back strap of the harness with one hand and a treat in the other hand. Use the treat to lure the dog into the sit position.



2. With another treat in your hand, place your hand through the harness and allow the dog to come towards the treat.



3. As the dog nibbles at the treat, gently pull the harness off of your arm, over your hand, and over the dog's head.



4. Give the dog the treat once the harness has been positioned over the dog's head and on the body.

Securing the SENSE-ation harness belly strap and attaching the leash



5. Crouch next to the dog; reach under the belly to grab the dangling belly strap.



6. Attach the plastic quick release buckle by inserting the pegs until a click is heard.



7. On the front of the dog, attach the leash to both the harness and collar loops.



8. Verify all connections are securely attached.

Wonder Walker Body Halter

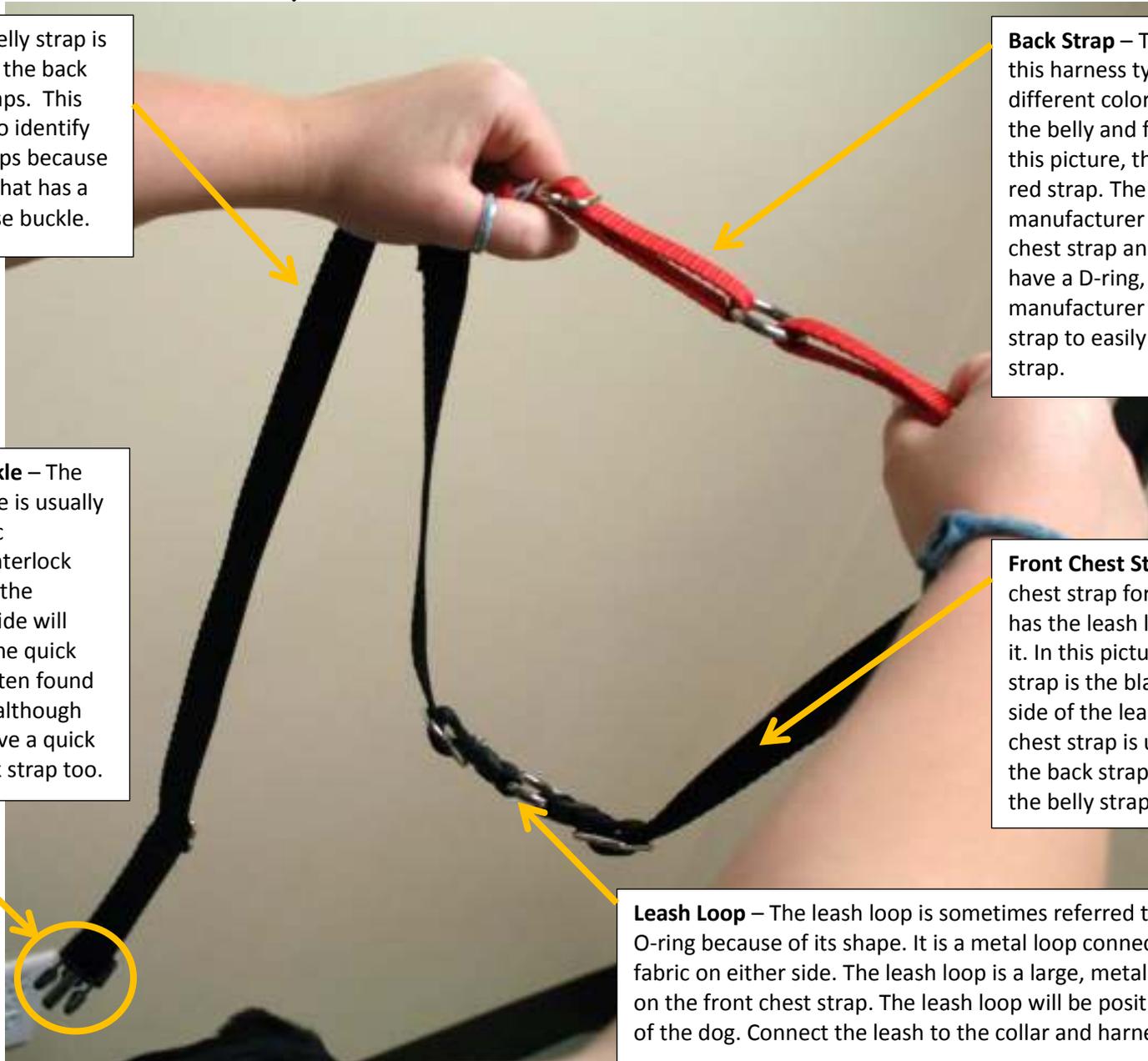
Belly Strap – The belly strap is usually longer than the back and front chest straps. This belly strap is easy to identify from the other straps because it is the only strap that has a plastic, quick release buckle.

Back Strap – The back strap for this harness type is usually a different color and shorter than the belly and front chest straps. In this picture, the back strap is the red strap. The back strap has the manufacturer label. Since the front chest strap and back strap both have a D-ring, look for the manufacturer label and colored strap to easily identify the back strap.

Quick Release Buckle – The quick release buckle is usually made of two plastic components that interlock together. Pressing the buttons on either side will release the lock. The quick release buckle is often found on the belly strap; although some harnesses have a quick release on the back strap too.

Front Chest Strap – The front chest strap for this harness type has the leash loop in the middle of it. In this picture, the front chest strap is the black strap on either side of the leash loop. The front chest strap is usually longer than the back strap, but not as long as the belly strap.

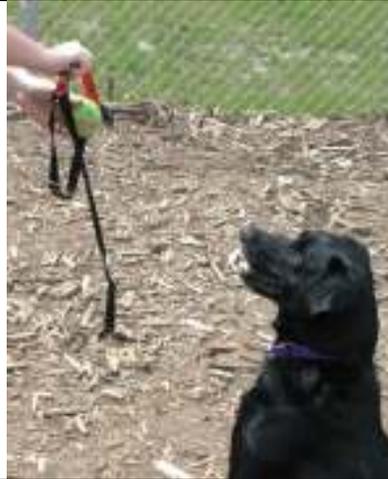
Leash Loop – The leash loop is sometimes referred to as a D-ring or an O-ring because of its shape. It is a metal loop connected to two pieces of fabric on either side. The leash loop is a large, metal loop and is found on the front chest strap. The leash loop will be positioned on the chest of the dog. Connect the leash to the collar and harness leash loops.



Placing the Wonder Walker Body Halter over the head with a ball as the lure



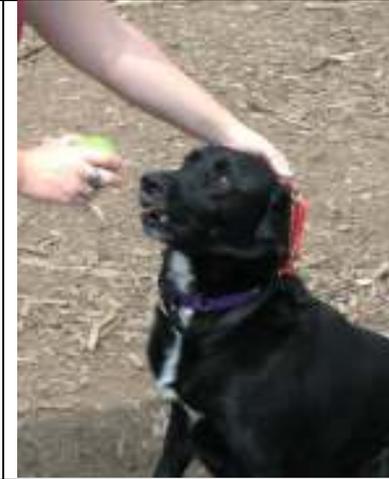
1. Hold the back strap of the harness with one hand and a ball in the other hand. Use the ball to lure the dog into the sit position.



2. Place your hand with the ball through the harness.



3. As the dog focuses on the ball, gently pull the harness over your arm, the ball, and the dog's head.



4. Give the dog the ball once the harness has been positioned over the dog's head and on the body.

Securing the Wonder Walker Body Halter belly strap and attaching the leash



5. Crouch next to the dog; reach under the belly to grab the dangling belly strap.



6. Attach the plastic, quick release buckle by inserting the pegs until a click is heard.



7. On the front of the dog, attach the leash to both the harness and collar loops.



8. Verify all connections are securely attached.

Puppia Soft Harness

Cloth Loop – The cloth loop is a piece of material sewn on the back of the harness. Weave the quick release buckle on the back strap through this cloth loop before locking the buckle in place.

Belly Strap – This type of harness has a large piece of cloth material that will cover the dog's belly and help prevent chaffing a dog's sensitive skin.

Quick Release Buckle – The quick release buckle is usually made of two plastic components that interlock together. Pressing the buttons on either side will release the lock. This quick release buckle is found on the back strap and must be weaved through the cloth loop, a piece of cloth material on the back of the harness, before being snapped together.



Leash Loop – The leash loop for this harness is metal and found on the back of the harness. When connecting the leash to this type of harness, only connect to the back of the harness and NOT to the dog's collar.

Back Strap – The back strap on this harness will need to be weaved through a cloth loop on the back of the harness before connecting the quick release buckle.

Placing the Puppia soft harness over the head with a treat as the lure



1. With a treat in your hand, ask the dog to sit.



2. With another treat in your hand, place your hand through the harness and allow the dog to come towards the treat.



3. As the dog nibbles at the treat, gently pull the harness off of your arm, over your hand, and over the dog's head.



4. Give the dog the treat once the harness has been positioned over the dog's head and on the body.

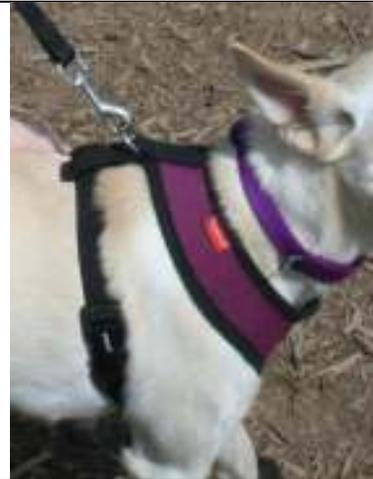
Securing the Puppia soft harness belly strap and attaching the leash



5. Reach under the belly, grab the dangling strap and slide it through the cloth loop on the back.



6. Attach the plastic, quick release buckle by inserting the pegs until a click is heard.

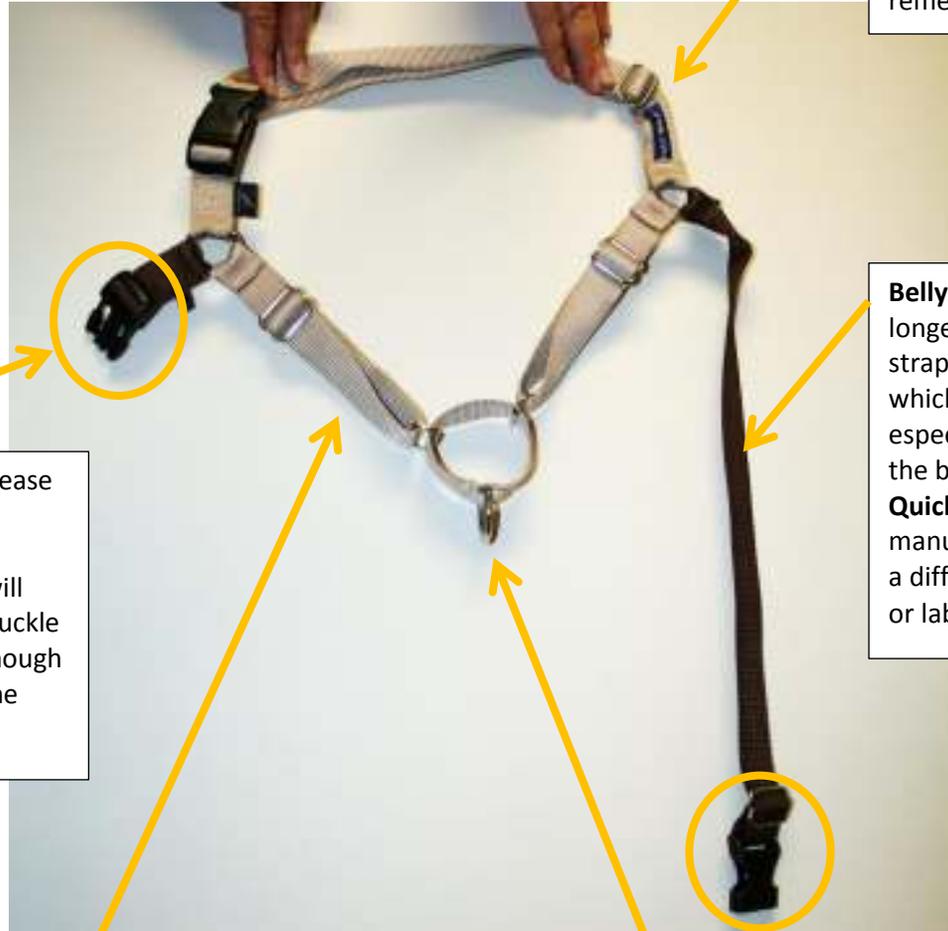


7. On the back of the dog, only attach the leash to the back harness loop. NOT the collar.



8. Verify all connections are securely attached.

Easy Walk Harness



Back Strap – The back strap is usually shorter than the belly and front chest straps. This harness has the manufacturer tag or label on the back strap because the company wants their name seen and remembered.

Belly Strap – The belly strap is usually longer than both the back and front chest straps. It can sometimes be difficult to tell which strap is the belly and back strap, especially with this harness because both the belly and back straps have a plastic, **Quick Release Buckle**. However, this manufacturer usually makes the belly strap a different color. Also, the manufacturer tag or label is usually found on the back strap.

Quick Release Buckle – The quick release buckle is usually made of two plastic components that interlock together. Pressing the buttons on either side will release the lock. The quick release buckle is often found on the belly strap; although this harness has a quick release on the back strap too.

Front Chest Strap – The front chest strap for this harness has a leash loop in the middle of it. In this picture, it is the light brown strap with the metal leash loop. It is longer than the back strap, but not as long as the belly strap.

Leash Loop – On this harness, the leash loop is a large metal loop that dangles from a circular cloth loop. The leash loop is found on the front chest strap and will be positioned on the chest of the dog. Connect the leash to the collar and harness leash loops.

Placing the Easy Walker harness over the head with a treat as a lure



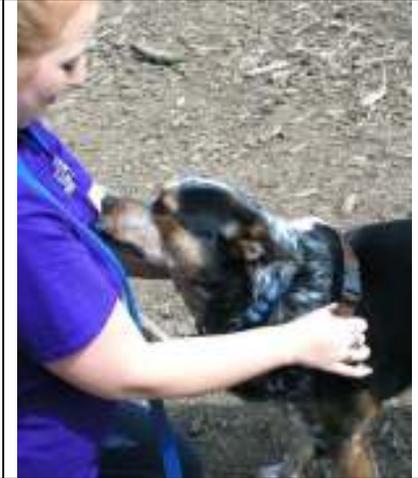
1. Hold the back strap of the harness with one hand and a treat in the other hand. Use the treat to lure the dog into the sit position.



2. With another treat in your hand, place your hand through the harness and allow the dog to come towards the treat.



3. As the dog nibbles at the treat, gently pull the harness off of your arm, over your hand, and over the dog's head.



4. Give the dog the treat once the harness has been positioned over the dog's head and on the body.

Securing the Easy Walker harness belly strap and attaching the leash



5. Crouch next to the dog; reach under the belly to grab the dangling belly strap.



6. Attach the plastic quick release buckle by inserting the pegs until a click is heard.



7. On the front of the dog, attach the leash to the D-rings on both the harness and collar loops.



8. Verify all connections are securely attached.

Step-in Harness

Leash Loop – The leash loop for this harness is metal and found on the back of the harness. When connecting the leash to this type of harness, only connect to the back of the harness and NOT to the dog's collar.

Quick Release Buckle – The quick release buckle is usually made of two plastic components that interlock together. Pressing the buttons on either side will release the lock. The quick release buckle on the step-in or bra harness connects on the back of the dog. When preparing the harness, you will usually lay it out with the male connector on the right, and the female connector on the left. In addition, any fancy design, like the blue and red striped design on this harness, will be on the exterior of the dog, and the solid color, like the red color shown, will be against the dog's skin. After all, you want to show off that cute design when taking the dog for a walk.

Back Strap – The back strap on this harness is lifted up on either side of the dog and connected on the back of the dog using the quick release buckle.

Front Chest Strap – The front chest strap on the step-in or bra harness is usually shorter than the belly strap.

Belly Strap – The belly strap on the step-in or bra harness is usually longer than the front chest strap.



Putting on a Step-in harness

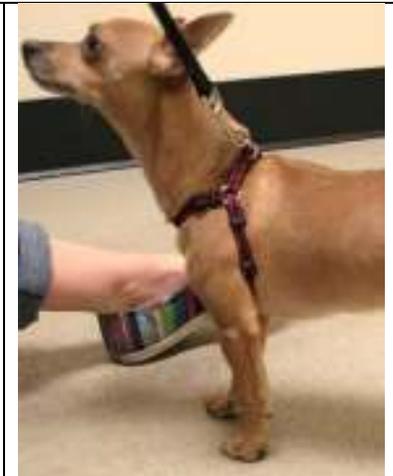


1. Lay the harness on the floor with the design pattern facing the ground. Usually the male, quick release connector will be on the right side of the dog and the female, quick release connector will be on the left side of the dog. The belly strap is usually the longer of the two straps.

2. Use a treat to lure the dog to step each paw into the harness leg holes.

3. Alternatively, lift each of the dog's paws and place them into the harness leg holes.

Securing the Step-in harness back strap and attaching the leash



4. Gently lift the straps by the quick release buckles and pull up along the body.

5. Attach the plastic quick release buckle on the back by inserting the pegs until a click is heard.

6. On the harness back strap, attach the leash to the metal loops. Do NOT attach the leash to the collar.

7. Verify all connections are securely attached.