



SKYSHEPHERD® Quick-Start Guide

SkyShepherd Literature

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Operating Manual



Training Guide

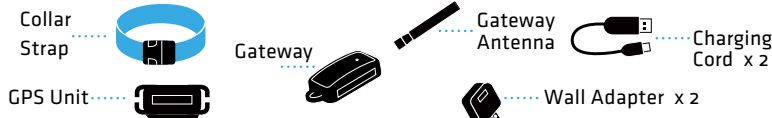


Help Center



Help: Email us at support@skyshepherd.com or call 866-395-6079

SkyShepherd Components



Set Up

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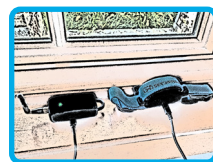
Pro Tips:

Position the collar high up on your dog's neck beneath the base of the ears. It should be tight without restricting your dog's breathing

When threading the collar through the GPS unit, make sure the metal grid is facing toward your dog's neck

Getting Started

- **Charge** GPS unit and gateway indoors near a window
- Review all **SkyShepherd literature** (scan QR codes above)
- Download **SkyShepherd app** and **create SkyShepherd account**
- **Add your collar(s)** to your account in the app (scan below)
- **Connect** your gateway to your **Wi-Fi network** (scan below)
- **Fit collar strap** on your dog **without** GPS unit attached (one finger should fit under strap)
- Take collar strap off and **attach GPS unit** to strap
- Put collar strap with GPS unit on your dog and **verify fit** (tight without restricting breathing, up high on neck, above any other collars, nuzzled into fur)
- **Take SkyShepherd off your dog and plug it into charger whenever you bring your dog into the house. Do not leave SkyShepherd on your dog indoors**
- See Troubleshooting section of Help Center (scan QR code above) for help



Add collar to your account



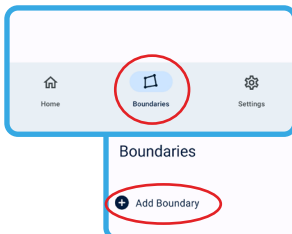
Connect Gateway to Wi-Fi Network



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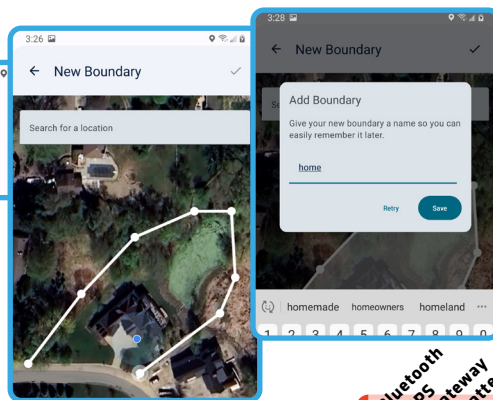
GPS varies, so leave room. Allow: ≥ 10 ft from dangers like roads, etc. ≥ 50 ft between your house and boundary perimeter; taller houses need more. Dense tree cover will also affect location accuracy

Creating a new Boundary



- Make a boundary in the app by tapping points on the map
- Tap the first point you made to complete the boundary shape

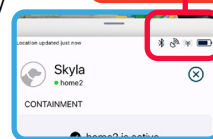
- Name the boundary and save it once completed



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Acquiring GPS Signal

- Make sure SkyShepherd is not in Travel Mode
- Go outside. Stand in an open area and hold up the collar (not by the GPS unit) so that your hand doesn't block the signal



04

Exploring Feedback Zones Without Your Dog

- Stand well inside the Safe Zone of your boundary
- Make sure the Feedback Mode is set to "Standard" in the app
- Activate the boundary
- Turn on Training Mode
- Walk in and out of the boundary to familiarize yourself with all the zones' feedback, tones, and sensations
- Deactivate boundary (you'll activate it again for training)

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Training Stages With Your Dog

Guidelines

Your dog should be at least **six months old**, weigh \geq **20 lbs**, and know the **“sit,” “stay,” and “come/here”** commands before starting with SkyShepherd. Ideally, your dog should walk well on leash

• Make sure Training Mode is On for All Training Sessions

- When starting each session, **begin well within the Safe Zone**, activate the boundary, and then put SkyShepherd on your dog
- Use the **Rule of Threes** when training in the **Safe Zone** and **First Alert** stages (at least three sessions per stage; three places along the perimeter per session)
- Try to **train and complete multiple sessions daily** for the Safe Zone and First Alert stages, with breaks in between
- For each stage, assess your dog and **don't move on until your dog is ready**
- **Never drag your dog into an Alert Zone**. Instead, guide it on leash in the direction you want and allow it to explore the zone(s) you're training in each stage. This is why it's best if your dog walks well on leash before starting training—so it will generally go where you go while on leash
- After reviewing the Training Guide (scan QR Code on opposite side), **follow, in order, the stages listed below**

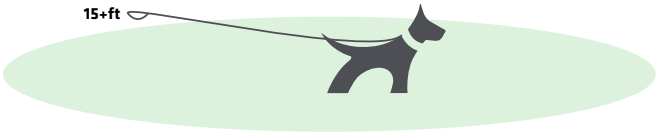
Foundation Stage

Pro Tip:

Reinforce the Safe Zone during each training stage by spending lots of time there in and between sessions

Teach Safe Zone

- **Set Feedback Mode to “Positive Only”**
- Put your dog on a long 15+ ft leash
- Spend 15 to 20 mins relaxing with it in the Safe Zone
- Praise your dog whenever the Safe Tone sounds
- Let your dog wander, but keep it away from the Alert Zones



Stage 1

Pro Tips:

Dog not getting it? Does it...

Know what to do?

- Give immediate guidance when the First Alert sounds

Know where to go?

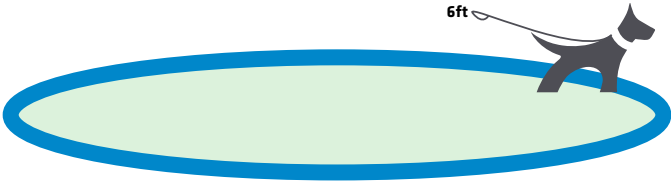
- Train where the way back is clear

Ignore vibration?

- Move on to Stage 2

Introduce First Alert Zone - Vibration

- **Set Feedback Mode to “Alert 1”**
- Put your dog on a standard 6 ft leash
- Walk with your dog toward the perimeter, and let your dog enter First Alert Zone
 - Immediately guide your dog back to the Safe Zone as soon as it experiences First Alert feedback, and don't stop until you hear the Safe Tone
- Praise your dog when it hears the Safe Tone and stay there for 5-7 mins
- Repeat at different points along the perimeter to complete the session
- Continue Stage 1 sessions until your dog responds consistently and immediately



Stage 2

Pro Tip:

Always praise your dog right away when the Safe Tone sounds as you re-enter the Safe Zone and spend several minutes there

Introduce the Second Alert Zone - Low-Stim

- **Set Feedback Mode to “Alert 2”**
- Put your dog on a standard **6 ft leash**
- Walk with your dog toward the perimeter, and let your dog enter Second Alert Zone
 - Immediately guide your dog back to the Safe Zone as soon as it experiences Second Alert feedback, and don't stop until you hear the Safe Tone
- Repeat at 3 to 5 different points along the perimeter to complete the session
- Continue Stage 2 sessions until your dog responds consistently and immediately
- You may only need one session of this stage if your dog refuses to go back into the Second Alert Zone. If so, move on to testing

Test

Pro Tip:

In this stage, try adding distractions during training, such as a neighbor walking by, to see your dog's response

Test Stage

- **Make sure the Feedback Mode is set to “Alert 2”**
- Put your dog on a long **15+ ft leash**
- Let your dog freely roam on the long leash, and don't force it out of the Safe Zone
- Observe what your dog does if it leaves the Safe Zone
 - If your dog immediately returns to the Safe Zone after receiving feedback, you can begin off-leash training
 - If it doesn't, head back to the Safe Zone. Complete more training in the first two stages before testing again

Stage 3

Conduct Off-Leash Training

- **Make sure the Feedback Mode is set to “Alert 2”**
- Conduct three or more short (15 to 20 min) off-leash sessions
- Watch your dog closely as it roams the boundary
- Call your dog back to the Safe Zone immediately when it experiences Alert Zone feedback and praise it when the Safe Tone sounds
- Conduct off-leash training until you're comfortable with your dog's behavior in response to the feedback

Training Complete

Pro Tip:

Do refresher training as needed

Set Feedback Mode to “Standard”

- Train new boundaries with a quick perimeter familiarization