

# **D.A.P. Collar FAQ's**

## **What activates the DAP Collar?**

Close contact with the dog's skin, as well as the body temperature, allows the release of the pheromone.

## **How tight should the DAP Collar be attached to the dog?**

The collar should be in close contact with the skin, like a flea collar, but with at least one finger fitting between the collar and dog.

## **Does the DAP Collar need to be stretched before it is placed on the dog?**

No specific handling is required before placing the DAP Collar.

## **How should the DAP Collar be worn with other collars and bandanas?**

The DAP Collar should be worn along side the regular collar or chain, so it is in contact with the skin. The DAP Collar can be worn with a flea and tick collar. Do not cover the DAP Collar with another collar or bandana. Do not use a Citronella collar with the DAP Collar as that scent interferes with the perception of pheromones. Do not use an anti-bark collar with the DAP Collar as anti-bark collars deliver a punitive message that is not recommended for behaviour modification.

## **How quickly will the dog respond once the DAP Collar is placed on a dog's neck?**

When the collar is placed, the perception of the Dog Appeasing Pheromone by the dog is immediate. However, as in every behaviour program, the visible improvement in specific behaviours requires some time, depending on a variety of factors: the dog, the nature, duration and severity of the problem, and behaviour modification (dog and owner). Usually, an improvement in specific behaviour signs is seen during the first two weeks after wearing the Collar, but some dogs require a month to exhibit visible improvement.

## **How long will a DAP Collar be effective?**

The DAP Collar is expected to release the pheromone for 30 days. The Collar will stop diffusing pheromone suddenly and clients usually notice a behaviour change in their dog by the next day.

## **How can the dog owner evaluate success with the DAP Collar?**

It is recommended to have the veterinarian regularly evaluate progress regarding the dog's behaviour issues and decide when to stop using the Collar.

## **Will other dogs in the house be affected by a DAP Collar worn on one dog?**

No, the pheromone is diffused in the immediate vicinity of the dog wearing the DAP Collar.

## **Will a person, cat or other animal be affected by a DAP Collar worn on a dog?**

No, the Dog Appeasing Pheromone is species specific and has no effect on any other species besides dogs.

**Can the DAP Collar be hung in a car or the house or left in a kennel?**

No, close contact with the dog, as well as body temperature, is required to activate the collar.

**Can the DAP Collar be cut to fit?**

Yes, cutting the collar does not reduce efficacy.

**What happens if a dog eats or chews on a DAP Collar?**

The collar is made of plastics, so there could be a foreign body reaction. There are no toxic substances in the collar.

**What are the warnings for people handling the DAP Collar?**

The collar is not a toy so it should be kept out of reach of children. Contact with the collar while on the dog should not be a problem.

**Can the DAP Collar get wet?**

If the collar gets wet, it should be taken off and wiped dry in order to maintain continual release of pheromone. It can then be replaced on the dog with no loss of efficacy.

**Can the dog be bathed or swim while wearing the DAP Collar?**

It is not recommended to bathe a dog or let the dog swim while wearing the collar.

**Will the DAP Collar stain white-coated dogs?**

The collar will not stain the coat of white dogs under dry or wet conditions.

**What happens if the DAP Collar is exposed to heat in the environment?**

There will be some evaporation of the pheromone if it is taken out of the package and warmed, so the duration of activity may be shortened.

**What is the dating on the DAP Collar?**

The collar has a shelf life of three years, if it is stored in its original packaging in a dry place.

**How is the Dog Appeasing Pheromone added to the DAP Collar?**

The pheromone is added to the inert ingredients used in the manufacturing of the Collar in a liquid form, then heated and dried to give the Collar its final shape. This process is similar to collars that are infused with other ingredients.

**Available in 2 sizes:**

**Puppy and Small breed, maximum diameter of collar 37.5cm**

**Medium and Large breed , maximum diameter of collar 62.5cm**

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