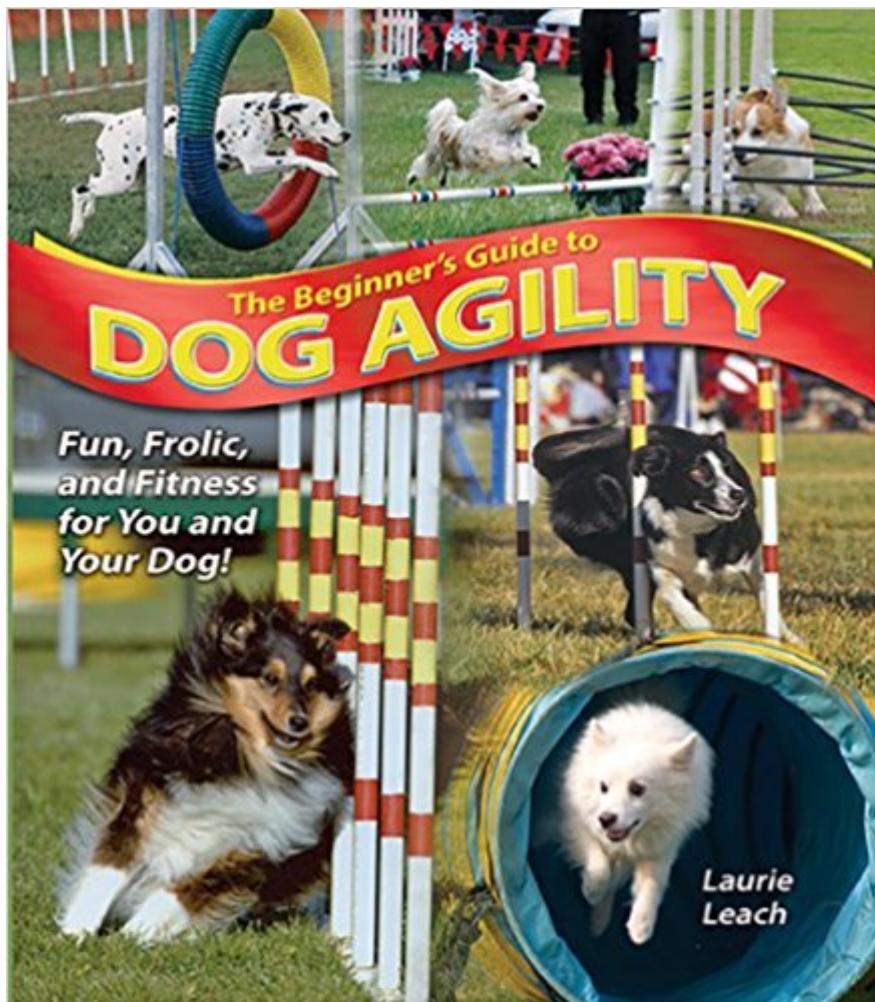


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The Beginner's Guide To Dog Agility



Synopsis

Training your dog (and yourself) for agility competitions will create a fun working relationship that both of you can enjoy. Find everything you need to know in this fun guide that includes information on pre-agility training, detailed advice on correction-free training and step-by step agility training techniques. Also learn how to make your own agility obstacles use a clicker as a motivational tool, and officially enter agility trials. Participation in agility competitions can build a strong, enduring bond between you and your dog, Read The Beginners Guide to Dog Agility to learn the ins and outs of this exciting hobby.

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Customer Reviews

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Excellent book, very informative. After reading this, I think I no longer want to do agility - it's a lot of work! I am an amateur! I want to train my border to do tricks to show off her abilities and have fun with exercise. I had no idea how much went into agility training. You need to be seriously interested in the hobby. Which this book clearly shows. I found it to be an eye opener for me.

This book is not only great for starting agility but it's also good for training in general. I have always enjoyed training my dogs but I've been able to take it to another level using some of the techniques and guidelines laid out by Leach. The layout and photos look nice and it's enjoyable to read. There

is really a lot of preliminary training required though, so if you haven't done much training with your dog or you have a puppy, you will quickly realize that you have your work cut out for you. I had anticipated jumping into the actual agility training but it seems that several months of preparation are in order. All in all a great tool for training your companion, whether they end up being an agility trial runner or just a well-behaved dog.

Love this book. Concise and informative. Lots of helpful tips which as a beginner I desperately need. I just wanted to get to try for fun with new standard poodle pup. Great stimulus for her and for keeping me in shape. Keeping up is the real issue. As an avid reader I would highly recommend this book. Also like it has instructions and tips for building own agility equipment. Loved the price point as well.

This little book is packed with good information. I'm fairly new to the agility sport (7 months with 1 dog, and 1 month with the other) and even though the classes I take are informative and great practice I wanted more info. I found it with this book! It tackles each piece of equipment on its own and then helps you put them all together as well as instructing you on the right body language to get the best from your dog. Towards the back, it has recommended mini practice course to try out. Love it! Also, there are plans for making your own equipment: jumps, stay table, and contact trainer. Just this past weekend I made all three. I have to stay, I am not much of a do-it-yourself type but agility equipment is spendy. These plans were easy to follow, especially the jumps, and were very detailed. I won't lie, the table and contact trainer take some effort but it's more time consuming than hard. If anything, buy this for the plans. I know trainers say you can train "spot" for contact equipment by using a step or street curb but I wasn't having much luck. Already, the first day using the equipment, both my agility Aussies show improvement on "spot"!

I've got a realllly smart dog, who continually needs challenged. I used what I learned in this book to set up an indoor agility course to keep Ubu busy during the rainy/snowy season. We had a lot of fun!

More for the person who wants to enter competitions. I just wanted to have fun with my dog in the back yard. But good advice and information for those who are looking at agility seriously. Also has section on how to make your own which was good!

Its okay, but continues to refer you to your club and only a few pieces of equipment are designed so you can make them yourself.

Great information. Put together well and very easy to understand.

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