

Conditions of Use Conforming to Animal Welfare Requirements

- It must be ascertained through proper use that the product does not cause pain, suffering, damage or fear for the dog, and that the dog is not overstrained in his ability to adapt.
- The collar has to be fitted to the dog in breadth and width. A minimum breadth of about one third of the length of the dog's neck (measured from the base of the ears to the front edge of the shoulder blade) is recommended. The collar should be fitted and worn around the lower or middle third of the dog's neck. When adjusting the width, 1 to 2 fingers should fit under the collar without any pressure being exerted.
- The collar may never be so tight that the dog's neck circumference is restricted. Choke collars may only be used with strain relief/stop and corresponding adjustment (so that the dog's breathing is not restricted through the tightening).
- Adequate training (with positive motivation, preferably starting at puppy age) is to ensure that puppies learn to walk on the leash. If a dog often pulls on the leash, a well-fitting harness is to be preferred.
- The certificate issued by the Specialist Unit for Adequate Keeping of Animals and Animal Protection and the Animal Welfare Stamp exclusively confirm that the product conforms to animal welfare, stating that the product is in accordance with the requirements of the Austrian animal welfare law and the regulations based on it. Whether the product fulfils legal and technical safety requirements as well as conforms to other regulations (legal security police demands, operational safety, patent protection etc.) is not the subject of the review and the certificate.

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