

## TRAINING TIPS

### WHOA TRAINING USING A 4ft LEASH:

Make a loop around the dog's flanks, by putting snap end through the handle of the leash. Then hook snap to the dogs collar, forming a handle resembling a suitcase. When you begin heeling you tug on collar end of leash. When you stop or use the whoa command you slide your hand back on the leash putting pressure on the flanks when you give the whoa command. This suit case handle will also help you stand a dog if it wants to sit on whoa.

### DEAD BIRD TRAINING

Using a scented tennis ball, have your dog stand while you throw or hit the ball.[ this will also help your dogs marking ] Send your dog on a fetch dead bird command. Your dog will have to use its nose to search out the bouncing, rolling ball wherever it may have landed. You also may just throw the ball when the dog is not watching. Then bring the dog into the area and give the command dead bird fetch.

### PUPPY PLAY RETRIEVE

Keep a cotton glove in your pocket when you take your puppy out for walks. When you have the puppy's attention throw the glove. The puppy should chase and pick up and carry the glove. The puppy most likely will run from you, if so walk away in the opposite direction and when the opportunity presents its self you catch the puppy and gently remove the glove. You do not want to get into a tug of war or keep away. You may want to put a light lead on your puppy 8-10 ft long. This will allow you to keep control of your puppy and gently recall for the retrieve. Just throw the glove a few times each session so the puppy doesn't loose interest or become bored or tired. Remember to keep all this fun and no harsh treatment, as you are building your pups future every time you work/play with them.

### 22 BLANK Pistols FOR GUN INTRODUCTION

You can use Remington power loads for construction tools in your blank pistol. The smaller the number on the box the lighter the load. The loads are cheaper and give you a good range of different loudness. You should start with the lightest load and watch your dog very closely when you fire the first round. Remembering that a 22 has a sharp crack to the sound. You may want to muffle the muzzle with some carpeting or an oven mitt before you start your training.