

# DogWatch<sup>®</sup>

## Hidden Fence Systems

### Operating Instructions for DogWatch<sup>®</sup> System 1200

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#### Receiver

The lightweight radio receiver worn by the dog identifies a coded FM radio signal from the boundary wire. The receiver emits an audible warning followed by a correction stimulation if the dog comes too close to the boundary wire. The R1200 operates on a replaceable battery and is waterproof when the battery cap is fully seated.

#### Features

**Adjustable Collar:** The receiver is attached to an adjustable nylon collar. The collar should be positioned above the dog's regular collar. Your DogWatch dealer will adjust the collar to insure that the contact posts touch the skin on the dog's neck.

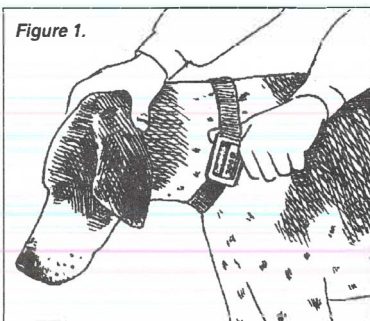


Figure 1.

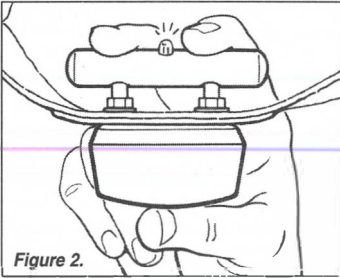
(Figure 1.) Check the fit for the first few days of wear to insure that the collar is not too tight or causing irritation to your pet's neck. It is **strongly** recommended that you remove the collar at night while your pet is inside.

**Contact Posts:** The receiver comes with two sets of contact posts. Your DogWatch dealer will determine the correct set based on your dog's neck shape, coat, and skin sensitivity. In general, short posts work best with short fur and medium posts with longer fur. The posts must make contact with the skin in order for the

dog to feel the stimulation. In certain cases, it may be helpful to clip some of the hair around the contact posts so that the posts can touch the skin more easily. **Tighten the contact posts only with the collar wrench provided.** Use of pliers or similar tools can result in over-tightening, which can damage the receiver.

**Antenna:** The receiver incorporates an omni-directional antenna design. The use of multiple antennas in the receiver assures optimal reception from the signal field.

**Battery:** The receiver is powered by a 3.6 Volt lithium battery. The receiver is designed for battery life of up to one year. **The battery must be inserted with the positive (+) end down. To avoid over-tightening, use the round end of the collar wrench provided, or a coin.** Please also note battery handling instructions marked on the battery.



**Test Light:** The test light allows you to test the receiver. Hold the test light over the contact posts as shown in **Figure 2.** and carry the receiver into the signal field. When the receiver picks up the signal from the boundary wire, the audible warning will sound and the test light will come on.

**Automatic Shutdown:** The DogWatch system is designed to protect your dog from an over-correction in the unlikely event that your dog walks into the signal field. If your dog does not exit the signal field, the receiver will automatically stop correcting after 15 seconds – protecting your dog from over-correction. The dog will also receive a “warning” correction every 15 seconds which will continue until he leaves the field.

## System 1200 Programming

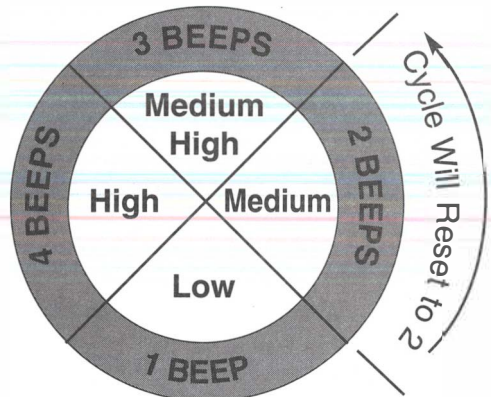
### Recommended Receiver Settings

System 1200 incorporates 4 training levels. Level 1 is a very low correction setting that in many cases is an appropriate training level for timid pets. Levels 2 and 3 are progressively stronger training levels. Level 4 is designed specifically for pets that require higher correction levels in order to be contained. Your DogWatch dealer will set the receiver to the appropriate training level for your pet.

All settings are designed to be *Pet Friendly™*.

**If the battery is removed and then replaced, the training level will reset to Level 2.**

To change the setting of the receiver, hold your test light magnet to the end seam of the receiver (nearest to the “D” in DogWatch) between the two raised lines on the side of the receiver. Hold the magnet steady and you will hear a series of beeps as the Training Level advances. From Level 2 (Medium - two beeps), the Training Level will continue to advance as long as the magnet is held in position, advancing to Training Level 3 (Medium High - three beeps). The beeps represent the Training Level the receiver is set to, as follows:



When you reach the desired Training Level setting, pull the magnet away from the receiver. The receiver is now set. **Note:** Any time the magnet activates the receiver, it will advance the receiver setting to the *next* Training Level, and continue to cycle through the settings in the order shown in the table above, as long as the magnet is held in place.

### System 1200 Transmitter

**Model Switch:** The switch must be set in the “up” position. The transmitter must be turned off when setting or changing this switch. (Figure 3.)

**Range +/-:** The radio signal is transmitted from the boundary wire in all directions. The signal is adjusted by the range control on the transmitter to create a signal field on each side of the wire. Your DogWatch dealer will adjust the range accordingly. The range control is very sensitive. If you make an adjustment, be sure you check the actual signal range before letting your dog out. **Never adjust the signal range when your dog is wearing the receiver collar.**

Figure 3.



**Signal Field:** Your dog will receive a correction when entering the signal field. (See Automatic Shutdown on Page 2.)

### Multiple Dogs

The System 1200 allows you to select a different training level for each dog – allowing you to conduct training with one dog, for example on Level 1, while the other dog is protected with Level 2.