

TOUCH

LEVEL TWO

GET READY:

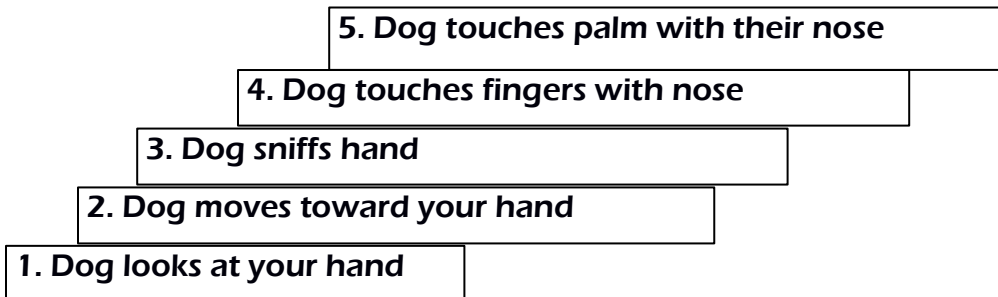
- ✓ Some yummy treats
- ✓ Find a space the dog is familiar and comfortable with, that is as free of distractions as possible (Backyard, living room, kitchen, dining room, bedroom, garage, etc.).

GET SET:

- ✓ Have your tasty treats ready and easy to access (ie. treat bag, pocket, etc.)
- ✓ Have your dog positioned in front of you.

GO:

- ✓ The goal of this level is to teach your dog to perform a moving hand touch. To do this, you will need to have already learned a hand touch in Level one. Ask your dog for a few hand touches to warm them up.
- ✓ Once your dog is warmed up, ask for a hand touch 6in from their nose (remove your hand after each attempt and present again for the next attempt):
 - If they perform the hand touch, mark and reward
 - If they don't perform the hand touch use the staircase from level one to break the process down into smaller steps, marking and rewarding for each level (remove your hand after each attempt and present again for the next attempt):



- ✓ Repeat this 5-10 times.
- ✓ Now ask your dog to touch your hand 1ft away from his nose.
 - If they perform the hand touch, mark and reward.
 - If they don't perform the hand touch, follow the steps outlined above.



- ✓ Repeat this 5-10 times.
- ✓ Now ask for a hand touch:
 - On either side of the dog (left and right)
 - Above their head
 - Below their head
 - On the other side of the room
 - In a circle around you
- ✓ Once you have gotten your dog to perform a touch reliably in all of these situations, you may move on to level Three.

