

**California State Board of Guide Dogs for the Blind
Proposed Language for Agenda Item 5**

California Code of Regulations Section 2282.3 - Humane Care of Dogs

PROPOSED LANGUAGE

Schools and Instructors shall address the individual physical and emotional needs of every dog throughout the duration that it remains under their program. Schools and Instructors shall be responsible for understanding the dog's body language, irrespective of the equipment used, and ensuring that the dog is relaxed and confident. Standards for dog training should be based on an understanding of operant learning, positive reinforcement, negative reinforcement, negative punishment and positive punishment. Corrections must be appropriate to the circumstances and sensitivity of the dog. Corrections must not cause the dog unreasonable physical or emotional discomfort.