

5 Tips for choosing your dog walker

Did you know...

That dog walking is an unregulated industry?

This means widely varied quality of care—and a lot at stake when choosing the right walking professional for your dog.

Here are 5 tips for finding the perfect dog walker:

1 Choose a professional
Part-time hobbyists and large, corporate on-demand services may be less expensive, but you and your dog will both be safer when she's out in the world with a dedicated canine professional who knows her and understands her individual needs.

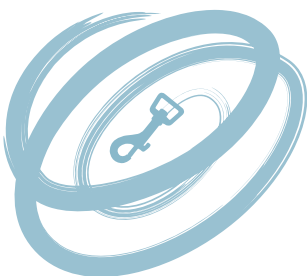
2 Know what they know
Hiring a dog*biz Dog Walking Academy graduate means peace of mind. DWA graduates have opted for the most well-respected training available in a field that doesn't require it—now that's a professional.

3 Numbers matter
Do you know whether your dogs walks on her own, with 5 dog friends, or 15? dog*biz grads voluntarily commit to singles or small groups to ensure individual attention and safety for all dogs in their care.

4 So do size and personality
It's charming to see a Great Dane and Yorkie walking side by side, but all dogs are much safer playing with pooches their own size. dog*biz grads group dogs by size and temperament to make sure everyone has a great—and safe—outing.

5 Paddles and rulers are a thing of the past
We no longer tolerate physical punishment of our children in schools. We should expect no less of dog walkers. A skilled walker should be able to keep your dog safe without resorting to spanking, choke/prong/or shock collars, or water spray bottles. Walks are supposed to be fun, after all!

Choose a dog*biz Dog Walking Academy graduate for your dog's safety and fun—and your peace of mind.



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