

GROOMING TRAINING – please acknowledge all sources when sharing.

BUCKET GAME

https://www.facebook.com/pg/thebucketgame/videos/?ref=page_internal

<https://www.facebook.com/thebucketgame/videos/410357152504328/>

<https://www.facebook.com/thebucketgame/videos/415398328666877/>

More Bucket game – its more than just grooming – zoos use it too ☺

<http://www.allpetseducationandtraining.com.au/the-bucket-game.html>

Nail trim – use it for grooming too

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZiPAoiikzoA>

Nails again

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cq5X8aV95E>

While Wheatens **need to be table trained for a haircut**

you can also train for other situations

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EITYvqs32Hg>

Handling exercises

https://www.youtube.com/watch?annotation_id=annotation_1815525919&feature=iv&src_vid=EITYvqs32Hg&v=AEITVoIPIow

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HOW TO GROOM

– San & Malc Jefferies have a wonderful series of videos

<http://www.wheatenhealthinitiative.com/Pages/grooming.html>

PREPARATION FOR A COMMERCIAL GROOMER

- There are lots of things that happen in a grooming shop that can be scary – quality groomers often offer packages for training pups.
- Where possible look for a groomer who advertises force free methods, the Pet Professional Guild might help with contacts – Google them for your country eg Australia <https://www.ppgaaustralia.net.au>
- Make sure your pup is comfortable on a table and the sounds of a grooming shop, especially a hair dryer – use your own dryer to counter condition (see the Kikopup videos above)

DOG HUSBANDRY

A GREAT site for good advice on all aspects of DOG HUSBANDRY

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PositiveDogHusbandry/>

BEWARE

Some groups promote force based methods in relation to grooming (& generally too) – you may get a quick-fix – but long term the result may well not be pleasant – for both of you

Collated by Margaret Churchill Gray - Saphyr Soft Coated Wheatens, Melbourne Australia March 2018,

a few pragmatic thoughts to help new owners when they are struggling with grooming and end up with mats

- do just one small section at a time (eg back leg) and use plenty of straight or 50/50 conditioner to help the comb slide though - lifting the coat like San's video shows makes all the difference.
- Lots of people talk about a product called Cowboy Magic - its expensive - I bought it 😞 and all it did was make the comb hard to hold 😞 my experience is that any cheap conditioner works. Once your pup has ALL the mats gone wash it out and then condition normally. Then a frequent comb will make life easier.
- When pups are going through a coat change they may need a daily comb but later weekly should be ok.
- I suggest you trim coat early one – thinning scissors are round nedned and great for beginners 😊 especially trim ears, neck and rear - less coat so less knots to deal with and everyone is happier 😊 Here is a nice shape to aim for - although I don't blow dry, don't pluck ears and don't wash weekly <http://www.scwtca.org/documents/grooming-guide.pdf>