



How People Rationalize Shock Collar Use

Rationalization echo # 8

“We shouldn’t have to ban shock collars because of a few bad apples who misuse them.”

Anyone who straps a shock collar around a dog’s neck and pushes the button until the dog yelps in discomfort is actually using the device as intended. Misusing a shock collar would mean not shocking the dog at all. The continuous button is a particularly wicked addition to many collars that allows a shocker to extend the sensation of the shock for multiple seconds longer than a regular shock. Misuse is too light a descriptive for the agony an animal suffers when inflicted with a shock painful enough to change his/her behaviour. The whole purpose behind shock collars is to hurt an animal until he/she submits. Those who claim misuse is only by a few bad apples can’t count. In a humane world, there would be no shock collars and therefore no bad apples.