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Teamwork II: A Dog Training Manual for People with Disabilities

TEAMWORK II is a dog training manual written for people with disabilities to be able to train their own dogs to assist them in their daily lives.

Click the Image Directly ^{^^Above^^} for More Information, Current Pricing and Availability. TEAMWORK II is a dog training manual written for people with disabilities to be able to train their own dogs to assist them in their daily lives. TEAMWORK I teaches basic obedience & canine behavior. This edition of TEAMWORK II which as been revised and expanded, teaches the service exercises, such as retrieving dropped objects, turning on lights, pulling a wheelchair, etc. Both TEAMWORK I and TEAMWORK II contain lots of color photographs and personal anecdotes along with the step-by-step instructions written in a clear and simple-to-understand format. Editorial Reviews About the Author Lydia Kelly has been a professional trainer for 25+ years. She is the Training Director for TOP DOG, a non-profit service dog program that teaches disabled individuals how to train their own service dogs. Stewart Nordensson (1937-1999) was severely handicapped with cerebral palsy but still trained over 50 service dogs throughout his life and became expert at obedience training and canine behavior. Excerpt. © Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. Dogs are as individual as people. If you found your dog intelligent and eager to learn during basic obedience lessons you still need to consider some factors before trying to train him to be a service dog. Willingness is an important consideration, but you must also think about what you'll be asking him to do. Some tasks you might ask him to perform include picking up large objects, pulling or pushing your wheelchair, bracing to help you up or down and opening doors. These exercises all require a medium to large, fairly strong dog. It would be difficult for a chihuahua or a miniature poodle to help you up or pick up heavy items for you.

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