



## Basic Assistance Harness Pricing & Measuring

- Service/Assistance Dog harness with straps custom made to fit your dog
- Flexible leather balance handle made to your desired height
- Chose fixed or detachable style handle mount
- Removable and adjustable pull-strap for momentum assistance
- Three D-rings on the back of harness, two on the side for attaching accessories
- Great Fit Guarantee: fit adjustment if necessary within 4 weeks of delivery
- Lifetime warranty for materials & workmanship, excellent customer support

### Standard size, \$365

For most dogs 40-90 pounds, with a girth size of 25-33 inches

### Extra Large size, \$390

For dogs 90-150 pounds, with a girth size of 33-40 inches

(also recommended for some breeds with deep chests weighing 85 pounds or more, such as GSD's and Dobermans)

### Giant size, \$465

For dogs 140-200 pounds, with a girth over 40"

Need help with sizing or choosing the right options? Don't hesitate to ask! We'll listen to your needs to be sure you get the right equipment. Don't worry, we'll review all the measurements and details to assure you we have all the details we need for a properly fitted harness that meets your needs. *Dogs must be physically mature and of appropriate size and soundness for the work you would like them to perform.*

- **Please see next page for options & accessories** • **See measuring guide on Pages 3 & 4** •

Note Prices are subject to change at any time without notice due to fluctuation of materials costs. Effective February 2015.

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## Available Options for the BLD Basic Assistance Harness:

Choose from these options to customize the harness to meet your needs. Must be selected when order is placed, as these options are built into the harness.

### Choose Balance Handle style (included)

- **Fixed handle** is permanently mounted. *Only recommended if you need a 2-3" tall grab handle.* This sturdy flexible leather handle offers excellent feedback and communication with your dog. It is flexible, so it bends if the dog goes under a table or into a tight space—it is not rigid, it will soften more over time with use. (This handle cannot be replaced or adjusted.)
- **Detachable handle** clips onto special d-rings mounted to the harness. It lays down when you let go of the handle. Feels looser than the fixed handle, but this lower-profile option can be changed if you need a different handle size.
- **Stabilized Detachable Handle** this handle is removable, yet is stabilized to provide excellent feedback and communication with your dog. Mounted low on the saddle with quick-release buckles, with special Velcro wraps to eliminate wiggle. Although it's not super easy to remove, it is replaceable if needed. **Highly recommended.**
- **Semi-Rigid Stabilized Detachable Handle (add \$35)** this handle is reinforced with a stiffener for firmer feel. It is removable, yet is stabilized to provide excellent feedback and communication with your dog. Mounted low on the saddle with quick-release buckles—looks just like the above option, but a bit stiffer. Note it is not a rigid brace handle—it will flex with direct downward pressure. It is designed to hold its form and remain more upright. Handle can lay flat by un-clipping the buckles, and allowing it to pivot back. Replaceable if needed. Great option for those who need a stiffer feel in their handle, or who need a longer handle that keeps its form. **This is our newest option!**

### Sheepskin padding on belly strap, \$15

Optional padding on rear belly strap is recommended for short coated or sensitive dogs. (All other parts of the harness come standard with sheepskin.)

### Guide Handle, \$45. Semi-Rigid Guide Handle, \$75 (replaces the standard pull-strap)

Flexible leather handles for leading and pulling. This sturdy handle offers excellent communication and feedback. Angles back for proper leading or momentum contact. Mounts to harness with quick-release buckles, includes Velcro stabilizers. Made to your desired length. Semi-Rigid guide handle is reinforced with a stiffener for a firmer feel. (Not easily removable. Not compatible with standard pull-strap.)

**Other:** Please let us know if you need any special accommodations. Some requests require a quote.

## Accessories:

**Cape/Vest: \$55 standard size, \$59 XL/Giant**

**\*Highly Recommended!**

Specially designed for the BLD harness to hold essentials like ID, money, phone, treats, medicine, cleanup bags, etc. Has 2 pockets, reflective stripes, and Velcro on the top to accommodate the Velcro Patch listed below. **Choose RED or BLUE.**

**ID Patches & Badges:** various designs and phrases; see website or call for available designs.

**Double Patch/Leash badges, \$18.50**

3" round 2-sided badges Velcro onto leash, strap, or side of handlebar.

Add a [conversion kit](#) to make a clip-on badge for **\$3Velcro Patch: \$10**

**Velcro Patch, \$10**

Hook Velcro-backed patch for cape, 2.5"x5"

### **BAH Replacement Parts are available:**

This harness has been designed with interchangeable straps for the greatest flexibility; perfect for adapting a harness to fit a new dog or user. (Except fixed balance handles. Rigid brace handle not compatible with this harness.)

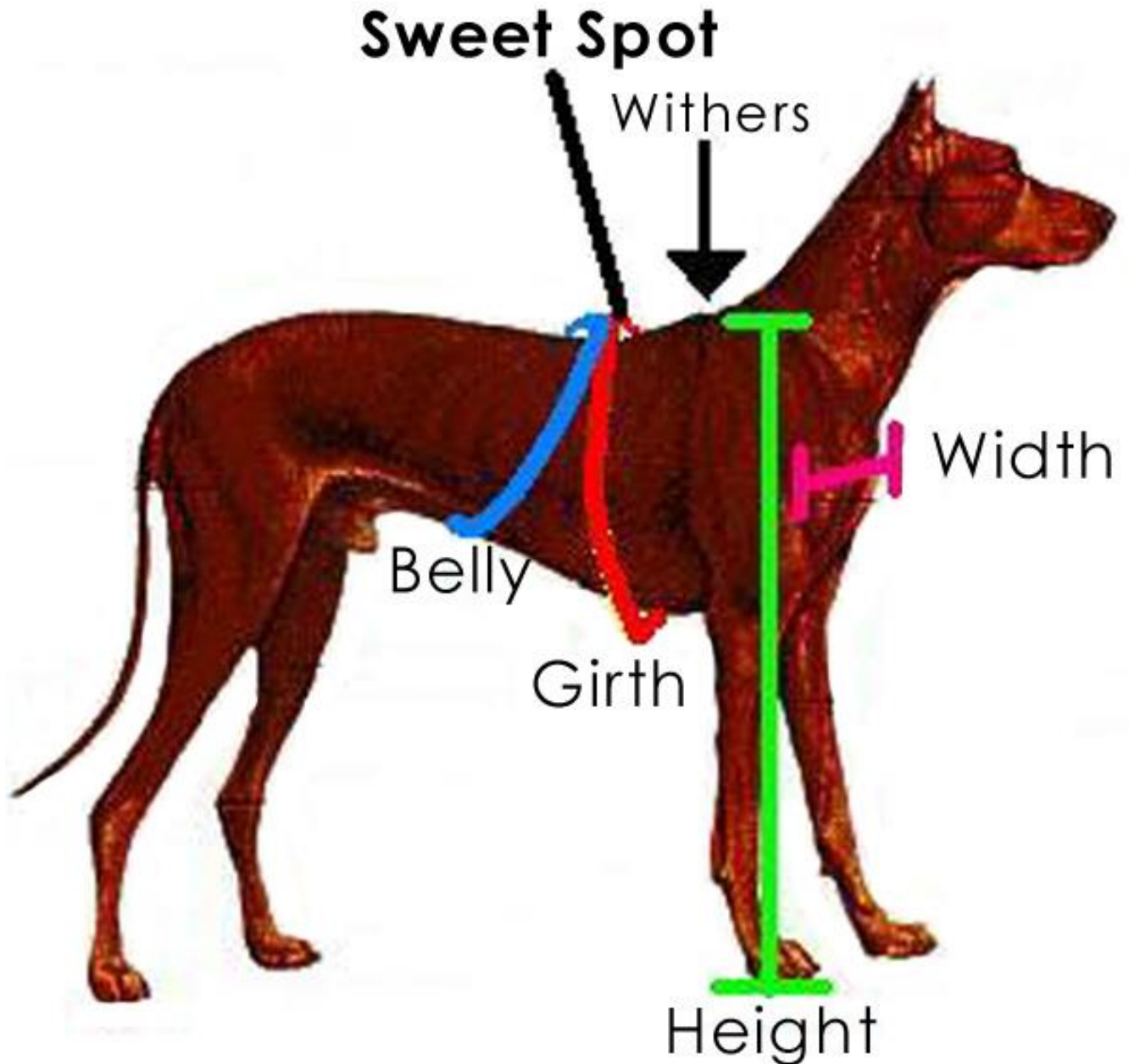
*NOTE: If you are interested in a harness with a rigid brace handle, please see the information for our Mobility Support Harness.*

# Harness Measuring Guide

## How to measure dog for BLD Mobility Support Harness:

We require specific measurements to make your harness fit perfectly. Please follow the instructions on the following pages and provide measurements when you place the order.

### Dog Measuring Diagram:



See Step Two for instructions.

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## Tips before you measure:

- You may want a friend to help you.
- Watch a video about how to measure on the website!
- The dog and user do NOT have to be together to measure!
- Measure the harness user to determine the correct handle height.
- Please don't guess the handle height, as it will be made to measure for your harness.
- Measure the dog according to the diagram & directions.
- Make each measurement 2 or 3 times for accuracy. Each time may give you different results; this is normal -- don't panic. Average the numbers.
- Be sure you provide the **dog's name, breed and weight** for reference.
- Your harness maker will review your details and will ask if there are any questions.
- Please let us know if there are any special considerations we should note for your order.
- Provide these measurements at the time of your order—you can call us, or email us directly. There is not a form on the website, as we like to be in **personal communication with you!** We will follow up to be sure we get all the info we need to make your harness.
- Please remember that delays in receiving measurements will delay your harness order, as we cannot start work on the harness without these important details.
- Don't panic, we're here to help! Really, don't worry—the straps are adjustable and we'll be sure you get a perfect fit.
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## Step one: Measure for the handle:

- Have the person who will be using the harness **stand wearing normal shoes, and allow arm to hang naturally at his/her side.** Be sure the person is balanced and comfortable.
- Have the person grasp a pencil in the palm of the hand, as if he/she was holding onto a handle. With the arm relaxed and elbow slightly bent **measure from the pencil to the floor.**
- **This hand measurement minus the dog's height equals the handle height.** See step two for measuring the dog's height. (If your dog is taller than your hand, we will make a 2-3" handle for you.)
- This method is the most accurate. If you require a different handle measurement, please indicate when you order.

## Now, measure the dog...

## Step two: Measure your dog:

- Measure multiple times for accuracy.
  - Have the dog stand square and balanced.
  - Use a cloth measuring tape or a string. For accurate measurements, keep the measuring tape snug.
  - The withers are where the dog's shoulder blades stick up.
  - Locate the "sweet spot": this is where the dog's back begins, just behind the withers.
  - Please use the diagram on page 3 for reference.
  - Provide dog's **name**, **breed**, and **weight** along with the following:
1. Measure **height** from withers to the floor (lay a book across the shoulders if you like).
  2. Measure the **girth** from the "sweet spot" around the deepest part of the dog's chest.
  3. Measure the **belly** from the "sweet spot," around the soft part of the belly, at a diagonal. Be sure the tape is pulled up snugly BEHIND the dog's rib cage (flanks) and then back to the "sweet spot." (Do not measure the dog's waist.) Boxy dogs may not have a tuck behind the ribcage, just measure the best you can. *(continued on next page)*
  4. Measure the **width** straight across the FRONT of the dog's chest. This is easiest with a regular flat ruler. Sit in front of your dog, and hold the ruler in both hands across the dog's breastbone. Slide your fingers in until you are touching each side of the dog's shoulder bones. (Imagine that your dog is squeezing through a tiny doorway; what is the narrowest space he can squeeze his shoulders through?).

### How to order:

You may order **online**, call to place your order by **phone**, or **visit** the workshop in person. You can even **mail** the following order form with a check. Whatever works for you is just fine!

We accept all major credit cards, PayPal, checks, and money orders.

Call or email us with your measurements so we have all the details.

Thank you very much! We look forward to making your new harness.

**Confused? Have questions? Don't worry. We're here to help.**

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Complete and scan this form and email it to us, or  
call us to provide this info by phone. Thank you!

**Order Date:**

**Client Name:**

Institution/Trainer if applicable:

**Mailing Address:**

**Billing Info if different:**

**Items / Options / Accessories**

NOTES:

**Phone:**

**Email:**

User's Name (if different than client): \_\_\_\_\_

**Dog's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dog's Breed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Harness Measurements:**

1) **Height** \_\_\_\_\_

2) **Girth** \_\_\_\_\_

3) **Belly** \_\_\_\_\_ **STD \*SHEAR**

4) **Width** \_\_\_\_\_

5) **Weight** \_\_\_\_\_ pounds

**User's hand measure:** \_\_\_\_\_  
[dog's height – hand = handle height]

**Balance Handle Height:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Balance Handle style?** Circle one:

**Fixed | Detachable | Stab. Det. | Semi-Rigid**

**Workshop use only:**

**Parts:**

**Saddle:** STD XL GIANT

**Breastplate:** S M L XL

**Guide Handle:** Height: \_\_\_\_\_

**Balance Handle** Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Fixed | Detachable | Stab. Det. | Semi-Rigid