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Synopsis
The Handbook of Applied Dog Behavior and Training series provides a coherent and integrated approach to understanding and controlling dog behavior. In Volume 3, various themes introduced in Volumes 1 and 2 are expanded upon, especially causally significant social, biological, and behavioral influences that impact on the etiology of behavior problems and their treatment. Ethological observations, relevant behavioral and neurobiological research, and dog behavior clinical findings are reviewed and critiqued in detail. Many of the training concepts, procedures, and protocols described have not been previously published, making this book a unique contribution to dog behavior and training literature.

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Customer Reviews
Classic, monumental and destined to be a historic work, Steve Lindsay’s 3 volume Handbook of Applied Dog Behavior and Training should be on every dog owner and instructor’s bookshelf. Lindsay hits another home run with Volume 3, “Procedures and Protocols.” This book provides comprehensive coverage of how to teach dogs new skills and how to handle canine behavior problems. Behavior problems such as housetraining (lack of it), destructive behavior, fears & phobias are addressed. The book provides detailed, science-based information about aggression. Additional topics include electronic training, clicker training, and puppy temperament testing. In Vol. 3 Lindsay has done a magnificent job combining science with a practical approach that can be easily used by practitioners. This 3 volume series, the writing of which was a 25 year labor of love,
sets Lindsay apart as perhaps the leading scholar in the field today. If I could only have 3 books, I’d choose this whole set. If I could only own one book, I’d choose Steve Lindsay’s Handbook of Applied Dog Behavior and Training, Vol 3, Procedures and Protocols. BRAVO. Dr. Mary Burch, Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist

While the price and size of this book will deter many readers, for anyone who really wants to learn about dog behavior in general and how to influence it effectively, this book is a must read. While this volume can be read without having read the other earlier volumes, I also recommend them in your reference library. Steve Lindsay has put together a comprehensive study of the physiology of dog behavior, how environment, diet, genetics, hormones and more affect behavior and how dogs learn and why they behave as they do, both what we want them to learn to do and wish they would never do. He has information to help prevent problems, enhance dog owner relationships, troubleshoot problems and how to solve them. If you could only read one book on dog training, make it this one, far surpasses the rest. We’ve trained and bred Dobermans for 21 years and wish we’d had this one to start with.

The weighty price tag might limit this title to all but the most serious pet library holding, while its nearly 800 pages of information will appeal to professionals rather than casual owners - but any serious dog trainer will find Handbook Of Applied Dog Behavior And Training V. 3: Procedures And Protocols essential. It’s all here: from reducing compulsive licking and canine aggression to different types of dominance issues and impulsive aggression behavior.

Steven Lindsay’s three books are the ultimate reference guide for any dog trainer, breeder, veterinarian or serious dogsports competitor. Unlike most dog training books, these volumes are unique in that they do not describe the author’s pet method for training a dog. Rather, Lindsay has collated information from scientific studies in order to give the reader an unbiased, scholarly reference guide to dog behaviour and training methods. The information contained here is exhaustive, unbiased, up-to-date and very well researched. Although the books are an intensive read (to say the least!), Lindsay’s style is very readable, and the books contain many diagrams and photographs to elucidate his points. Although most useful as a complete set, since the later books reference material and methods covered in the earlier volumes, it is not necessary to read the first books before using the last. The material is well separated into topics and each chapter can stand alone.
WOW! I have been waiting for years for such a masterpiece. For anyone in, or thinking of entering, the field of dog training and behavior this book must occupy your shelf, along with volumes one and two. I can see why it took Steve so long to get this published. I second Mary's comment... BRAVO! Kris Kates ANIMAL MANNERS

As a dog trainer I bought this book thinking that it would give some helpful strategies to work with difficult behavioral problems. Instead of protocols and procedures, the text is heavily oriented toward theory, i.e. descriptions and possible causes of behavior. Despite having a Ph.D., I found it difficult to read due to the extensive use of idiosyncratic jargon. For example, here is the opening sentence of a paragraph in Chapter 1: "According to cynopraphic training theory, control expectancies are closely coordinated with establishing operations and adaptive modal strategies." Karen Overall's "Clinical Behavioral Medicine for Small Animals" is far more useful and written much more clearly.

Lindsay nails it again in his third volume. He gets deeply into studies, ethnology, history and does a really good job of breaking it down into how it would fit into the modern dog trainers regimen. My one criticism is that his writing style can be slightly exhausting in it’s lengthiness and verbosity however, this may be necessary to factually convey the tremendous amount of information this book has to offer. Not for the novice trainer or training hobbyist, this book should be in every trainers library.

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