

# Animal Control Pole

## Features of Animal Control Poles

- long durable grip
- automatic locking mechanism,
- quick release knob
- coated and braided wire rope
- 360° kink resistant swivel head
- Lightweight and very durable

## Extra Features of Deluxe Animal Control Poles

- Lightweight and durable aluminum structure that is nearly twice as thick as the standard poles for added strength.
- Larger noose for easier capture of animals.

## Extra Features of Extension Animal Control Pole

- Extendable pole for adjustable length and easier storage.

## Operating an Animal Control Pole

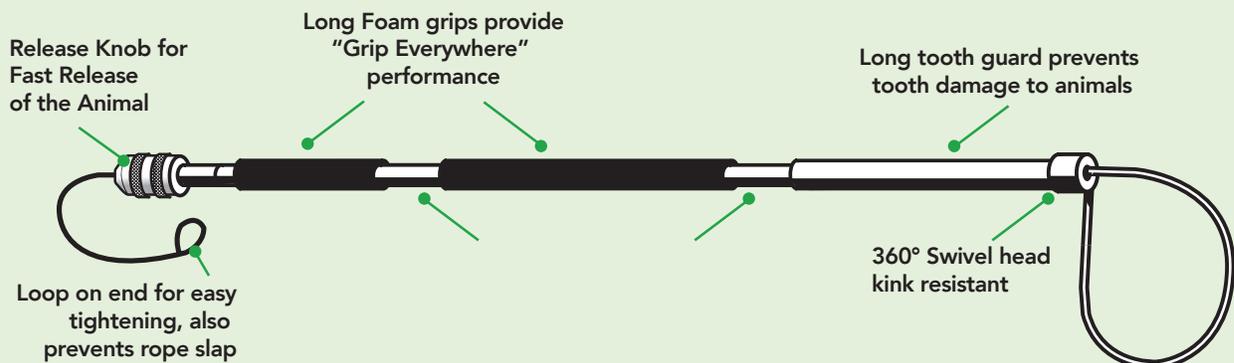
(Refer to back page for control pole part diagram)

1. Hold grip with one hand and with free hand pull back on the release knob (2) allowing the cable (13) to slowly slide forward through the palm and fingers. **\*\* (Releasing too quickly can result in a whipping action from the cable.)\*\***
2. Place the cable loop over the animals head or accessible area.
3. Pull hand loop (1) to tighten the cable loop around the animal. The cable will automatically lock.
4. To release the animal, pull back on the release knob (2). For best results do not pull away from the animal while trying to release.

## Operating an Extension Animal Control Pole

1. Hold grip with one hand and with free hand pull back on the release knob (2) allowing the cable to slowly slide forward through the palm and fingers. **\*\* (Releasing too quickly can result in a whipping action from the cable.)\*\***
2. To extend or retract the pole turn the chuck just below the green tooth guard to the right to loosen the extension and pull the ends away from each other.
3. When extending the pole do not extend the pole past the red mark or the two pieces may become separated. If they do become separated simply release the locking device and slide the poles back together.
4. To tighten the pole after the desired length is reached turn the chuck to the right.

## ANIMAL CONTROL POLE FEATURES



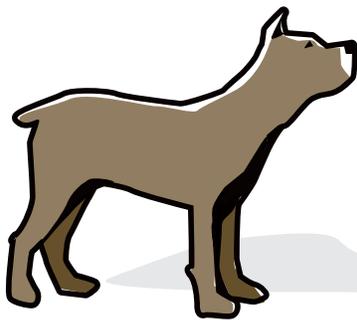
# How to Use a Control Pole

The next time a call comes in, whether it's for a stray dog or a raccoon, remember that the Tomahawk Live Trap control pole is designed to gently coax the animals to safety. Its use as a weapon is inappropriate and could easily endanger the animal and the animal control officer. Remember that control poles should not be used on cats. The use of a net is the most humane and effective way to capturing a cat.

Lastly, quickly examine the control pole, making sure that cable and release mechanisms are operating smoothly. Be sure the loop retains a rounded shape rather than a tear shape by storing the pole on a flat surface or using broom clips. Replace cables every 18-24 months as a part of regular maintenance.

## 1 Slow and Steady

Approach the dog slowly holding the control pole directly behind you or to your side, with the cable loop hanging loosely. Never approach a dog with a control pole held high, like a weapon, as this will set the tone for the entire encounter.



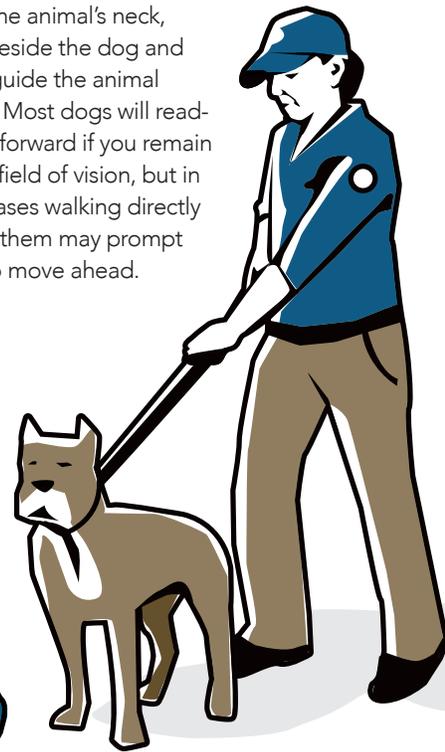
## 2 It's About Control

Using both hands, slip the noose smoothly over the dog's head until the loop is around the animal's neck. Use one hand to pull the release cord to tighten the cable until the loop fits snugly, but not too tight. The pole is designed to maneuver the animal, so it is important to never use the control pole to choke the animal or force it into submission.



## 3 Ahead of the Game

Keep both hands a slight distance apart on the pole. Once the loop is secured about the animal's neck, stand beside the dog and slowly guide the animal ahead. Most dogs will readily walk forward if you remain in their field of vision, but in some cases walking directly behind them may prompt them to move ahead.





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### No pushing OR Pulling

Never drag, yank, pull, or lift a dog with a control pole. Since dogs are often put in a truck for transport, it's a good idea to bring a ramp (a piece of plywood will do) to direct them into a cage. Then, just loosen the cord, and while carefully closing the cage door with one hand remove the control pole with the other.

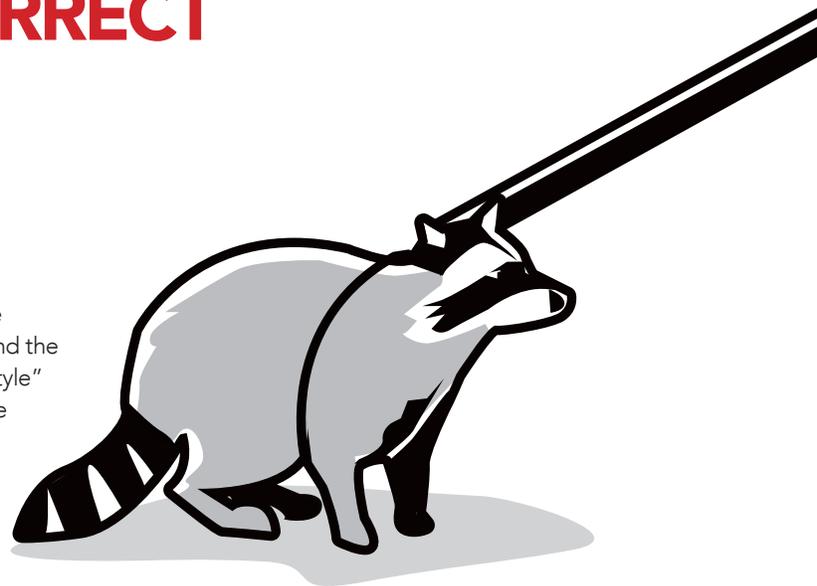


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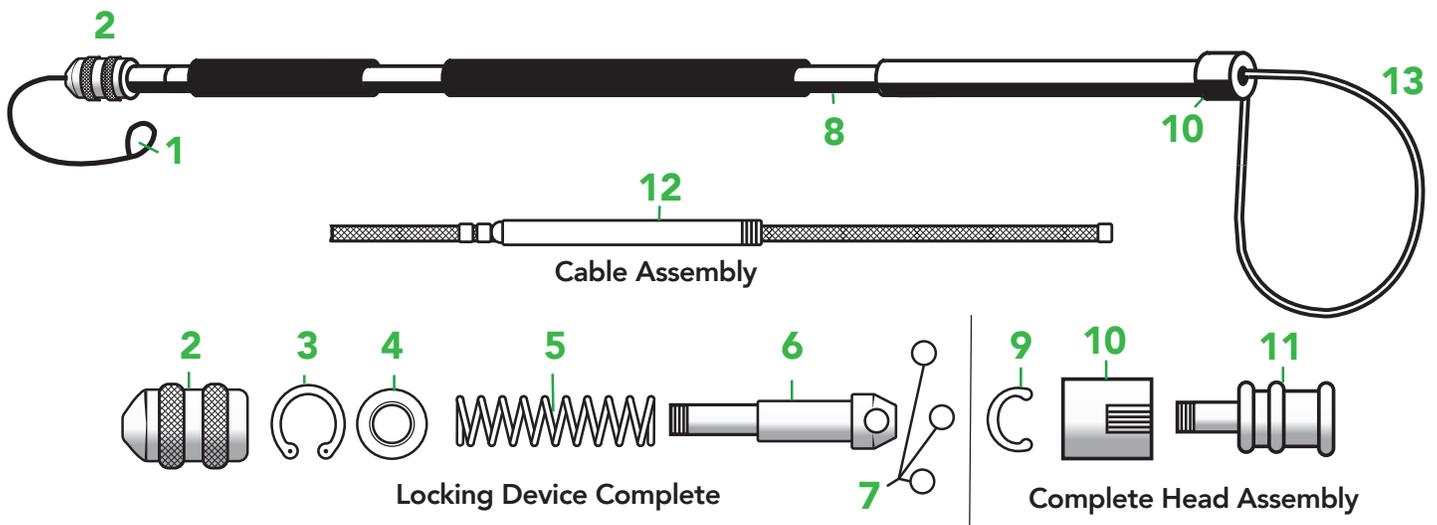


### In the wild

It may be necessary to temporarily restrain wild animals using the control pole. These animals should never be looped solely around the neck or chest. Instead, the cable should be looped "bandolier-style" around the neck and under one of the animal's front legs, and the animal should be guided in the manner described previously.



## ANIMAL CONTROL POLE PARTS LIST



### Removing Locking Device

1. Cut off hand loop. (1)
2. Release cable tension by pulling release knob. (2)
3. Twist release knob (2) to line up the hole in the locking device (6) with the hole in the aluminum tube. (8)
4. Insert a nail or similar object into the lined up holes. This prevents the locking device (6) from turning during the next step.
5. Unscrew release knob. (2)
6. Remove retaining ring (3), step washer (4), compression spring (5), locking device (6) and 3 ball bearings. (7)
7. To install new locking device reverse steps.

### Replacing the Cable

1. Remove locking device per above instructions.
2. Remove C-Clip (9) just behind the collar. (10)
3. Slide collar (10) back to expose head. (11)

4. Unscrew head (11) from tube. (8)
5. Pull cable (13) out of the tube. (8)
6. Unscrew head (11) from the cable spring. (12)
7. To install new cable reverse steps.

### Replacing Head Assembly

1. Remove C-Clip (9) from just behind the collar. (10)
2. Slide collar (10) back to expose the head. (11)
3. Unscrew head (11) from the tube. (8)
4. Unscrew head (11) from the cable spring. (12)
5. To install new head assembly reverse steps.

### Instructions For Storage

When storing for long periods of time the loop should be left partially open to put enough tension on the cable so it will not kink. Before using again use a light machine oil such as WD40 in the holes on the shaft just below the release knob (2).

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE!

Please refer to this parts list for any repairs or replacement parts you may need to order.

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