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- Your dog should be hungry, but not starving. Depending on your feeding schedule you may want to feed a lighter meal in the afternoon or feed earlier in the day.
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  slip collars, choke chain, shock pinch, or prong collars please.
- Small soft treats, whatever really motivates your dog such as pupperoni, canine carry outs, kibble, etc.
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