

Go To Bed!

This very handy cue doesn't mean you want your dog to fall asleep – although that would certainly be a bonus! It's simply a command for your dog to go to his to bed and relax for a little bit. This could be used for a variety of situations such as when you want to eat a snack or watch a movie without interruption, or when guests come over and it's time to settle down. Important to remember that this is not a punishment! You always offer a reward for following the command.

1. Pick a Cue (Go to bed, go to your spot, go lay down, etc.). With treat in hand, lure your dog towards the bed while saying the cue **ONE** time. Once your dog has at least three paws on, **DROP** the treat on the bed. Step away and say **Off!** Repeat 10x.
2. Remove treat from hand, step and point towards bed while giving the cue. Three feet on earns the reward! (Always drop the treat on the bed). **Off!** And repeat 10x.
3. Slowly and gradually increase distance from bed when giving the cue and pointing towards bed. Add sits and downs once your dog is on the bed. Reward for completing position. **Off!** And repeat 10x.
4. Most dogs won't choose to stay there very long in the beginning so be generous and offer a long-lasting chew bone to help them settle in and relax!

