

DESCRIPTION

This invention relates to a detachable feeding bowl for the purpose of training of birds.

During training of birds, a target stick or a pointer is usually used for the birds to follow and make contact with it. Once the bird comes in contact with it, food will be immediately given to the bird by hand as a reward or treat, a process normally termed as positive reinforcement. This is a two-handed operation. One hand will be holding the target stick, while the other hand will be holding onto a treat. This is inefficient as there are a handful of items for the user to hold. Safety is also compromised as the hand is used for manual hand-feeding.

These disadvantages may be overcome by attaching a feeding bowl onto the target stick. The feeding bowl will have a clip inside it for the purpose of holding the treat. The treat will be hidden from the view of the bird because of the rounded side of the feeding bowl. Once the bird makes contact with the rounded side of the feeding bowl, the feeding bowl is immediately turned to reveal the treat which will be taken by the bird as a reward. This becomes a one-handed operation and is safer because of the absence of hand-feeding.

In drawings which illustrate embodiments of the invention, Figure 1 shows the exposed side of the feeding bowl with a clip. Figure 2 shows the side view of the feeding bowl. Figure 3 shows the rounded side of the feeding bowl. Figure 4 shows the attaching end of the target stick. Figure 5 shows the attached target stick with the feeding bowl and shows the point of attachment. Figure 6 shows a food/treat being clipped onto the feeding bowl. Figure 7 shows the overall view of the feeding bowl and the target stick on the product.

CLAIMS

The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

1. A detachable feeding bowl comprising of a food clip and a rounded side.
2. The attaching method to secure the feeding bowl onto the target stick.