List of Commonly Used Acupuncture Points for the Dog

LU-1: Front Mu-Alarm Point for the Lung. Used for dyspnea, immune regulation, lung heat, shoulder pain and thoracic pain. Respiratory disorders such as cough, bronchitis or asthma.

LU-5: He-Sea Point, Sedation Point. Lung excess heat, acute cough, dyspnea, hoarse bark, high fever, thoracic pain, pharyngitis, shoulder and elbow pain, diarrhea, hives, dermatitis, immune-related skin diseases.

LU-7: Master Point for the head and neck, Luo-Connecting Point for to the Large Intestine, Confluent Point with the CV Channel. Important point for all respiratory disorders. Cough, dyspnea, congestive heart failure, lupus, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, facial paralysis. Stiff neck, cervical spondylosis and local point for carpal problems.

LU-9: Shu-Stream Point, Tonification Point, Yuan-Source Point, Influential Point for the pulse and blood vessels. Lung deficiency, chronic cough, dyspnea, weak bark, carpal joint pain,vascular disorders, pain in elbows and shoulder.

LI-4: Source point, Master Point for the face and mouth, Yuan-Source Point. Nasal discharge and congestion, epistaxis, facial paralysis, dental problems pharyngitis, tendonitis, fever, immunodeficiency, lupus, immunemediated skin diseases, general pain syndromes. Important analgesic point.

LI-10: Analogous to ST-36 on the pelvic limb. Qi deficiency, immunodeficiency, wind-heat, pruritus, immune regulation, diarrhea, abdominal pain, thoracic limb lameness and paresis or paralysis, elbow pain, dental pain, gingivitis, stomatitis, pelvic limb weakness, generalized weakness and elbow arthritis.

LI-11: He-Sea Point, Tonification Point. Wind-heat, immune-mediated diseases, pharyngitis, dental pain, uveitis, fever, hypertension, epilepsy, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, constipation, elbow pain, thoracic limb

paresis or paralysis, pruritus, endocrine disorders, homeostasis and immune enhancing point and allergies.

LI-15: Shoulder pain and lameness, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease and arthritis of the shoulder.

LI-20: Nasal congestion and discharge, facial paralysis, epistaxis, facial pruritus, urticaria, heat stroke, cough, sinusitis, fever, cold.

ST-1: Crossing Point of the BL, Yang-qiao, and CV Channels. Conjunctivitis, uveitis, ocular discharge or swelling, abnormal tear production, eyelid twitching, facial paralysis, liver heat, retinitis, atrophy of optic nerve and cataracts.

ST-2: Ocular pain or pruritus, conjunctivitis, uveitis, abdominal pain.

ST-4: Facial paralysis dental pain, excess salivation, eyelid twitching and trigeminal neuralgia.

ST-6: Facial paralysis, dental pain, swelling of the cheek or jaw, tonsillitis and inflammation of the parotid gland.

ST-25: Alarm Point for the Large Intestine. Important diagnostic point for large intestine disorders. Constipation, vomiting, diarrhea, inflammatory bowel disease, infertility, and gastroenteritis.

ST-35: Stifle pain and osteoarthritis, ligament disorders and pelvic limb weakness and patellar subluxation.

ST-35-b: Stifle pain and osteoarthritis, ligament disorders, pelvic limb weakness and patellar subluxation.

ST-36: Master Point for GI tract and abdomen; He-Sea Point, Horary Point and Tonification Point. Nausea, vomiting, stomach pain, gastric ulcers, food stasis, tonic rear limb point, stifle pain, hind limb weakness, endocrine and metabolic diseases and acupuncture analgesic point.

ST-37: Lower Sea Point for the LI Channel. Diarrhea, intestinal ulcer, colitis, constipation, hemiplegia.

ST-40: Luo-Connecting Point of the ST Channel, Influential Point for phlegm. Obesity, lipoma, pruritus, skin damp heat, dizziness, phlegm, edema, constipation, epilepsy, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, bronchitis and asthma.

ST-41: Jing-River Point and Tonification Point. Wei Syndrome, spleen deficiency, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, hock pain, tarsal joint injury and abdominal disorders.

ST-44: Ying-Spring Point. Pharyngitis, stomatitis and gingivitis, stomach heat, gastric ulcers, fever, facial paralysis, epistaxis, bloody diarrhea, hock pain, tonsillitis, and trigeminal neuralgia.

ST-45: Jing-Well Point and Sedation Point. Emergency Point. Pharyngitis, epistaxis, dental pain, abdominal pain, fever, epilepsy, appetite.

SP-3: Shu-Stream Point, Yuan-Source Point, Horary Point. Abdominal pain, diarrhea, constipation, obesity, stifle and thigh pain.

SP-4: Luo-Connecting Point of the SP Channel; Confluent Point with the Chong Extraordinary Channel. Gastric pain, abdominal pain, diarrhea, vomiting and constipation.

SP-5: Jing-River, Sedation Point. Abdominal pain, diarrhea, constipation, jaundice, hock pain, mental-emotional disorders and local soft tissue injury.

SP-6: Master Point for the caudal abdomen and urogenital tract, 3 Yin Crossing Point, Crossing (Meeting Point) of the SP, LIV, and KI Channels; contraindicated during pregnancy. Tonifies Yin and Blood, diarrhea, genital discharge, promotes parturition, infertility, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, impotence, irregular heat cycles, hernia, urinary incontinence, sleep disorders, Yin deficiency, dermatologic disorders, acupuncture analgesia point, liver, kidney and pancreatic disorders, general tonification point for geriatrics, fatigue and weakness. An important point for allergic and immune-mediated disorders and endocrine disorders. SP-9: He-Sea Point. Yin deficiency, damp conditions, edema, diarrhea, jaundice, dysuria or urinary incontinence, stifle pain and osteoarthritis, cystitis, ascites and local point for knee arthritis.

SP-10: Sea of Blood. Blood deficiency, blood heat, blood stagnation, heat toxin, fever, pruritus, irregular heat cycles, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis. Important immune-enhancing point.

SP-20: Cough and dyspnea

SP-21: Major Luo-Connecting Point. Generalized pain, thoracic pain, dyspnea, digestive disorders, thoracic and pelvic limb weakness, Wei syndrome.

HT-1: Shen disturbances, Yin deficiency, polydipsia, thoracic limb pain, chronic shoulder lameness, scapular nerve paralysis.

HT-3: He-Sea Point. Elbow pain, thoracic pain, heart pain, Shen disturbances and elbow arthritis.

HT-5: Luo-Connecting Point of the Heart Channel. Sleep disorders, restlessness, anxiety, carpal pain.

HT-7: Shu-Stream Point, Sedation Point, Yuan-Source Point. Shen disturbances, anxiety, restlessness, epilepsy, behavioral problems, sleep disorders, thoracic pain, mania.

HT-8: Ying-Spring Point, Horary Point. Cardiac arrhythmias, urinary incontinence, cystitis, genital itching, shoulder pain, epilepsy, fever.

HT-9: Jing-Well point (wood)-Mother (tonification) point for deficiency patterns. Coma, febrile diseases, Shen disturbances, thoracic pain, shoulder pain, thoracic limb lameness, cardiac arrhythmias. Emergency point for cardiovascular, apoplexy and coma.

SI-3: Shu-Stream Point, Tonification Point, Confluent Point of Governing Vessel Channel. Cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, thoracolumbar pain, shoulder pain, pharyngitis, epilepsy, mania.

SI-6: Xi-Cleft Point. Visual dysfunction, acute pain in the shoulder and thoracic limb, stiff neck and pain in the neck.

SI-7: Luo-Connecting Point of the SI Channel. Fever, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, elbow pain, mental-emotional disorders.

SI-8: He-Sea Point, Sedation Point. Elbow pain, shoulder pain, epilepsy, neck pain, dental pain and oral inflammation

SI-9: Shoulder pain, thoracic limb lameness or paresis or paralysis, generalized pain.

SI-19: Otitis, auditory dysfunction, mania, dental pain, epilepsy and acupuncture analgesia point for the head.

BL-1: Crossing Point of the BL, SI, Yang-qiao, Yin-qiao and ST Channels. Conjunctivitis, uveitis, optic neuritis, keratitis, liver heat.

BL-2: Conjunctivitis, uveitis, facial paralysis, eyelid twitching, visual disturbances and frontal sinusitis.

BL-10: WInd-Cold, nasal congestion and discharge, febrile disease, cervical pain, cervical intervertebral disk disease, epilepsy, should pain.

BL-11: Influential Point for Bone; Crossing (meeting) Point of the SI, BL, TH, GB, and GV Channels. Osteoarthritis, intervertebral disk disease, cervical pain, thoracolumbar pain, shoulder pain, thoracic limb lameness, cough, fever, and rheumatoid arthritis.

BL-12: Influential Point for Wind and Trachea, Crossing (meeting) Point of the BL and GV Channels. Wind-cold, wind-heat, cough, fever, pruritus, cervical and thoracic pain, nasal discharge.

BL-13: Back-Shu for the Lung. Cough, dyspnea, pneumonia, bronchitis, nasal congestion, Yin deficiency, low-grade fever, wind-heat, wind-cold.

BL-14: Back-Shu for Pericardium. Shen disturbances, anxiety, vomiting, cough, thoracic pain, myocarditis and pericarditis.

BL-15: Back-Shu for Heart. Cardiac disorders, thoracic pain, cardiac arrhythmias, sleep disorders, Shen disturbances, cognitive dysfunction, epilepsy and syncope.

BL-16: Back-Shu for Governing Vessel. Cough, dyspnea, thoracic pain, abdominal pain, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease, fever, Shaoyang patterns, pruritus, myocarditis and pericarditis.

BL-17: Influential Point for Blood; Back-Shu for the Diaphragm. Blood deficiency, Yin deficiency, vomiting, regurgitation, nausea, cough, dyspnea, low-grade fever, chronic hemorrhagic diseases, spasm of the diaphragm, bronchial asthma.

BL-18: Back-Shu for Liver. Liver diseases, Gall Bladder diseases, ocular diseases, hypertension, epilepsy, irritability, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease.

BL-19: Back-Shu for Gall Bladder. Liver diseases, Gall Bladder diseases, Liver-Yang rising, Liver-Qi stagnation, low grade fever, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease.

BL-20: Back-Shu for Spleen. Spleen deficiency, damp, pancreatic and digestive disorders, vomiting, watery or bloody diarrhea, edema, anemia, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease.

BL-21: Back-Shu for Stomach. Gastrointestinal and pancreatic diseases, loss of appetite, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, constipation, abdominal pain, generalized weakness and local point for intervertebral disc disease.

BL-22: Back-Shu for Triple Heater. Edema, vomiting, diarrhea, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease, abdominal pain, endocrine

disorders, intra-abdominal masses, dysentery, indigestion and lower back pain.

BL-23: Back-Shu for Kidneys. Kidney Yin and Kidney Qi deficiency, renal diseases, urinary incontinence, impotence edema, auditory dysfunction, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease, pelvic limb weakness, coxofemoral joint arthritis and back pain.

BL-24: Sea of Qi. Qi deficiency, thoracolumbar intervertebral disk disease, abdominal pain, uterine diseases, diarrhea, hemorrhoids, constipation back pain and cystitis.

BL-25: Back-Shu for Large Intestines. Diarrhea, constipation, abdominal pain, chronic colitis, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease, lumbar pain.

BL-26: Gate of Yuan-Source of Qi. Kidney Yang deficiency, impotence, urinary incontinence, diarrhea, abdominal pain, lumbosacral pain and indigestion.

BL-27: Back-Shu for Small Intestine. Abdominal pain, indigestion, diarrhea, urinary incontinence, hematuria, lumbosacral pain and sciatica.

BL-28: Back-Shu for Urinary Bladder. Dysuria, urinary incontinence, diarrhea, constipation, lumbosacral pain, cystitis and sciatica.

BL-35: Bloody diarrhea, hematuria, perianal pruritus, sacrocaudal pain, tail paralysis.

BL-36: Lumbosacral pain, perianal disorders, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis and sciatica.

BL-39: Coxofemoral joint, stifle and hock pain and lameness, pelvic limb muscle atrophy, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis and cystitis.

BL-40: He-Sea Point, Master Point for caudal back and coxofemoral joints. Dysuria, urinary incontinence, disk disease, autoimmune disorders, vomiting, diarrhea, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis.

BL-54: Master Point for pelvic limbs. Coxofemoral joint pain and osteoarthritis, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, lameness and muscle atrophy, perianal disorders, dysuria, sciatica and gluteal injury.

BL-60: Jing-River Point. Epistaxis, intervertebral disk disease, cervical pain, thoracolumbar pain, hock pain, epilepsy, dystocia, hypertension. Local point for tarsal pain.

BL-62: Confluent Point to the Yang-qiao Extraordinary Vessel. Ataxia and weakness of all four limbs, pelvic limb ataxia and weakness, sleep disorders, ocular disorders.

BL-67: Jing-Well Point, Tonification Point. Nasal congestion and discharge, epistaxis, ocular diseases, dystocia. Cardio-pulmonary emergencies. (CONTRAINDICATED POINT IN PREGNANCY)

KI-1: Jing-Well Point, Sedation Point. Coma, epilepsy emergency point, heat stroke, pharyngitis, constipation, dysphonia, dysuria, urinary incontinence.

KI-3: Shu-Stream, Yuan-Source Point. Renal diseases, dysuria, diabetes mellitus, irregular heat cycles, infertility, impotence, pharyngitis, dyspnea, dental pain, thoracolumbar intervertebral disc disease, otitis, auditory dysfunction, tarsal pain and back pain.

KI-6: Confluent Point with the Yin-qiao Extraordinary Channel. Yin deficiency, dysuria, constipation, epilepsy, pharyngitis, irregular heat cycles, sleep disorders, convulsion and uterine prolapse.

KI-7: Jing-River, Tonification Point. Diarrhea, edema, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, cystitis, nephritis and back pain.

KI-10: He-Sea Point, Horary Point. Impotence, hernia, dysuria, stifle pain, lower-abdominal pain.

PC-3: He-Sea Point. Cardiac arrhythmias, heat stroke, diarrhea, febrile diseases, shoulder and elbow pain.

PC-6: Luo-Connecting Point of the Pericardium Channel, Master Point for the chest and cranial abdomen, Confluent Point of Yin-wei Channel. Shen disturbances, anxiety, sleep disorders, internal wind, epilepsy, vomiting, nausea, vertigo, vestibular disorders, thoracic pain, cardiac arrhythmias, thoracic limb paresis or paralysis.

PC-7: Shu-Stream Point, Yuan-Source Point. Thoracic limb pain, vomiting, epilepsy, carpal pain and osteoarthritis, febrile diseases.

PC-8: Ying-Spring Point, Horary Point. Shen disturbances, epilepsy, stomatitis, gingivitis, halitosis, vomiting, thoracic pain, febrile diseases and convulsions.

PC-9: Jing-Well Point, Tonification Point. Hyperactivity, Shen disturbances, shock, coma. Cardiovascular emergency point.

TH-3: Shu-Stream Point, Tonification Point. Otitis, auditory dysfunction, fever, metacarpophalangeal joint pain, thoracic limb paresis or paralysis.

TH-4: Yuan-Source Point. Carpal injury or pain, pharyngitis, diabetes mellitus.

TH-5: Luo-Connecting Point of the TH Channel, Confluent Point of Yangwei Channel. Wei Qi deficiency, thoracic limb lameness, paresis or paralysis, fever, conjunctivitis, otitis, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, carpal pain.

TH-10: He-Sea Point Sedation Point. Thoracic limb paresis or paralysis, pharyngitis, auditory dysfunction, cervical pain, dental pain, pulmonary or gastrointestinal phlegm, stiff neck and carpal arthritis..

TH-14: Shoulder and thoracic limb pain and lameness.

TH-17: Crossing Point of the TH and GB Channels. Otitis media, temporal mandibular joint pain, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, facial paralysis, swelling in the face.

TH-23: Ocular diseases, facial paralysis, dental diseases, encephalitis, epilepsy.

GB-1: Crossing Point of the TH, GB and SI Channels. Ocular diseases and respiratory diseases.

GB-2: WInd patterns, Shen disturbances, facial paralysis, syncope, otitis, auditory dysfunction.

GB-3: Crossing Point of TH, GB, and ST Channels. Facial paralysis and auditory dysfunction

GB-14: Crossing Point of GB and Yang-wei Channels. Ocular diseases and nasal congestion.

GB-20: Crossing Point of the GB and Yang-wei Channels. External wind, internal wind, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, epistaxis, nasal discharge or congestion and epilepsy.

GB-21: Crossing Point of the TH, GB, and Yang-wei Channels. Shoulder pain, thoracic limb paresis or paralysis, mastitis, dystocia, liver and gall bladder disorders.

GB-24: Alarm Point for the Gall Bladder, the Crossing Point of the GB and SP Channels. Liver and Gall Bladder disorders and Liver Qi stagnation.

GB-25: Alarm Point for the Kidneys. Kidney Qi, Yin and Yang deficiency, infertility, ovarian disorders, lumbar pain, abdominal pain, impaction, constipation, liver and gall bladder disorders.

GB-29: Crossing Point of the GB and Yang-qiao Channels. Osteoarthritis of the coxofemoral joint, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, gluteal muscle pain.

GB-30: Crossing Point of the GB and BL Channels. Osteoarthritis of the coxofemoral joint, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, gluteal muscle pain.

GB-31: Pruritus and pelvic limb paresis or paralysis.

GB-33: Stifle pain, osteoarthritis and other stifle disorders.

GB-34: He-Sea Point, Influential Point for tendon a ligaments. ST and Liver Qi stagnation, hypertension, vomiting, liver and gall bladder disorders, tendon and ligament disorders, pelvic limb lameness, weakness and paresis or paralysis and general pain relief.

GB-39: Influential Point for Marrow. Neurological disorders, hemopoietic disorders, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, thoracic pain, pharyngitis, perianal disorders and cholecystitis.

GB-40: Yuan-Source Point. Hock pain and thoracic pain.

GB-41: Shu-Stream Point, Horary Point, Confluent Point with the Dai Channel. Metatarsal pain and tendonitis, urinary incontinence, irregular heat cycles, ocular diseases, auditory dysfunction, mastitis, lateral costal pain, hip pain, and lateral pelvic limb pain.

LIV-2: Ying-Spring Point, Sedation Point. Liver Yang rising, ocular diseases, irregular heat cycles, blood heat, bleeding due to febrile diseases.

LIV-3: Shu-Stream Point, Yuan-Source Point. Liver Qi stagnation, liver and gall bladder disorders, gastrointestinal disorders, urogenital disorders, abnormal heat cycles, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis, and general pain conditions.

LIV-5: Luo-Connecting Point of the Liver Channel. Liver and gall bladder disorders, urinary incontinence, pain, itching or swelling of the genitals, abnormal heat cycles and pelvic limb paresis or paralysis.

LIV-8: He-Sea Point, Tonification Point. Male and female reproductive disorders, uterine prolapse, genital pruritus, urinary incontinence and stifle pain.

LIV-14: Alarm Point for the Liver, Crossing Point of the LIV, GB and Yin-wei Channels. Liver and gall bladder disorders, mastitis, pleuritis, thoracic pain and muscle pain.

GV-1: Luo-Connecting Point of the GV Channel, Crossing Point of the GV, GB, and KI Channels. Diarrhea, constipation, perianal disorders, rectal prolapse, paresis or paralysis of the anal sphincter, epilepsy and infertility.

GV-3: Kidney-Yang and Qi deficiency, coldness and pain of the thoracolumbar and thoracosacral regions, lumbosacral intervertebral disk disease, impotence, pelvic limb paresis or paralysis.

GV-4: Yang deficiency diarrhea from Yang deficiency, impotence, irregular heat cycles, diarrhea, thoracolumbar pain, intervertebral disk disease.

GV-14: Crossing Point of the GV and Six Yang Channels. Clears heat, Yin deficiency, fever, cough, dyspnea, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease, dermatitis, epilepsy and immune system deficiency.

GV-16: Crossing Point between the GV and BL Channels. Epilepsy, dysphonia, vertigo, cervical pain, intervertebral disk disease and ocular disorders.

GV-20: Crossing Point of the GV and BL Channels and sedation point. Shen disturbances, epilepsy, sleep disorders and prolapse of the anus.

GV-21: Sedation Point wind patterns, epilepsy, encephalitis, tremors, vertigo, tetanus, Shen disturbances and hyperactive behavior problems.

GV-24: Crossing Point of the GV, BL and ST Channels. Nasal congestion, epilepsy and mental-emotional disorders.

GV-26: Crossing Point of the GV, LI and ST Channels. Emergencies, shock, collapse, coma, mania, facial paralysis, cervical and thoracolumbar intervertebral disk disease.

CV-1: Crossing Point of the CV, GV and Chong Channels. Infertility, dysuria, epilepsy, and uterine prolapse.

CV-3: Alarm Point for the Bladder, Crossing Point of CV, KID, SP and LIV Channels. Dysuria, urinary incontinence, renal failure, impotence, hernia and infertility.

CV-4: Alarm Point for the Small Intestine, Crossing Point of the CV and 6 Yin Channels. Kidney Qi or Yang deficiency, dysuria, urine retention, urinary incontinence, infertility, abdominal pain, diarrheas and generalized weakness.

CV-5: Alarm Point for the Triple Heater. Edema, abdominal pain, dysuria and diarrhea.

CV-6: General Qi or Yang tonic point. Urinary incontinence, abdominal pain, diarrhea, constipation, hernia, impotence, generalized weakness.

CV-14: Alarm Point for the Heart. Thoracic pain, arrhythmias, gastric ulcers, epilepsy and vomiting.

CV-17: Alarm Point for the Pericardium, crossing point of SP, KID, SI, and TH Channels. Cough, thoracic pain, vomiting, mastitis and agalactia.

CV-20: Cough, respiratory disorders and difficulty swallowing.

CV-22: Crossing Point of CV and Yin-wei Channels. Cough, dyspnea, pharyngitis, loss of voice, thyroid disorders and thoracic pain.

CV-24: Crossing Point of the CV and ST Channels. Cold damp, excessive salivation, facial paralysis, mania, and behavioral disorders.