

## How to convert a crate to open at the top by Michelle

### Tools needed:

- 2 long nose pliers
- Electrical wire cutter
- Black electrical tape
- 4 plastic zip ties
- Office binder clip

1. Decide which direction you want the top to flip open. Place a piece of tape to designate where the hinge should be.
2. Using the “zip ties” wire tie each corner towards the top of the crate at each corner, this will ensure the crate stays together while removing the top clips. Cut the excess zip tie length with the electrical wire cutter.
3. Using the long nose pliers, hold the metal clip with one pair while prying open with the other pliers along the top panel on three sides of top panel. The 4th side you marked with tape will keep the original metal clips to serve as a hinge.
4. After the clips are removed, the cage might be “rough” in those areas, you may want to wrap with black electrical tape.
5. To secure the top closed when your dog is in it we used a “binder clip”.

