

The Ruff Life

★DOG SOCIALIZATION CHECKLIST★

Animals

- Birds
- Cats & Kittens
- Dogs, large
- Dogs, small
- Farm animals
- Large Dogs
- Rabbits
- Reptiles
- Small pets

Being Touched

- Back
- Belly
- Collar area / Neck
- Face & Ears
- Front legs
- Hind legs
- Holding / Hugging
- Paws
- Tail

Places

- Beach
- Park
- Sports field
- Pond / Lake

Dog Places

- Boarding kennel
- Day care
- Groomer's
- Vet's clinic
- Dog park

Environments

- Homes (other than yours)
- Office / Work space
- School / College campus
- Playground
- Swimming Pools

Dog Equipment

- Paw socks / boots
- Collar
- Crate
- Gentle leader
- Harness
- Leash Muzzle
- Vest / Coat

Events

- Birthday Party
- Holiday Celebrations
- School Event
- Sports Event

Grooming

- Bath / Shower
- Blown dry (hair dryer)
- Brushing teeth
- Combing / Brushing hair
- Ear care / Cleaning
- Eye care / Cleaning
- Face Cleaning
- Nail filing / Trimming
- Paws & Between toes
- Toweled dry

Experiences

- Being Left Alone
 - 5 minutes
 - 15 minutes
 - 30 minutes
 - 1 hour
 - 4 hours+
- Car ride
- Crossing a bridge
- Crossing the street
- Doggy play date
- Elevator / lift ride
- Going thru a tunnel
- Rail-road crossing
- Stairs (coming down)
- Stairs (going up)
- Taking a walk
- Water sprinklers

Public Experiences

- Camping
- Farmers market
- Hiking
- Live music
- Pet store
- Public gathering(s)
- Sports game
- Stores (dog-friendly)
- Street fair

Food & Water Bowls

- Ceramic
- Glass
- Metal
- Paper
- Plastic

Sounds

(We HIGHLY recommend downloading loud sounds on a computer and start off at a low level-slowly turning up the sound)

- Barking dogs
- Car backfire
- Car horn / alarm

Sounds

- Car starting
- Dish washer
- Door bell
- Door slamming
- Fireworks
- Garage door
- Garbage truck
- Gun shot(s)
- Helicopter / Plane
- Knocking at the door
- Laundry / Dryer
- Lawnmower
- Loud / Howling Wind
- Loud TV
- Motorcycle
- Pots and pans
- Radio
- Running faucet / shower
- Siren / Ambulance
- Smoke alarm
- Storms (thunder)
- Trucks driving-by
- Vacuum cleaner
- Washing machine

Objects

- Balloon(s)
- Bike(s)
- Broom (being swept)
- Flags waving / moving
- Gym equipment
- Home robot(s) / drone(s)
- Hula hoop
- Kids toys
- Mirrors (small & large)
- Mop(s) / Mopping
- Paper / plastic bag(s)
- Skateboard(s)
- Umbrella (open & closed)
- Vending machine
- Water fountain

People

- Babies
- Children
- Children in strollers
- Children playing
- Crowds of people
- Delivery person
- Dog walker
- EMTs (paramedics)
- Elderly adults
- Fire fighters
- Jogging / Running

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People

- Loud voices / arguments
- Men & women

People with a:

- cane
- cast
- crutches
- Wheelchair

People with or wearing:

- beards
- cigarettes
- costumes
- large hats
- helmets
- large jewelry
- masks
- perfume / cologne
- scarves
- Sunglasses
- Person riding a bike
- Person on a skateboard
- Person on skates
- Pet sitter
- Police / Security guard
- Postal person

Other

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Smells

- Another dog's food
- BBQ / grills
- Cafe / coffee shop
- Carry-out & delivery food
- Drive-thru
- Fire place(s)
- Food being cooked
- Food being prepared
- Raw meat
- Street-food

Surfaces

- Carpet
- Concrete
- Grass
- Gravel / Rocks
- Hardwood floors
- Mud
- Sand
- Slippery surfaces
- Snow covered surfaces
- Tile / Stone floors
- Water / Puddle(s)

Toys

- Fabric
- Plastic
- Rope
- Rubber Squeaky / Noisy