

What should you socialize your new puppy to?
Everything!! Your puppy should experience a bit of cold, funny noises, strange hats, interesting textures, calm restraint (praise and release it when it is calm), new dogs (your own dogs are not enough!) and many other things.

Directions: Check off 7-10 Socialization items (pages 1-2) and 5-6 Manners items (page 3) every day. Socialization & biting practice takes priority over training. **Use all of your puppy's dog food for socialization, training, or entertainment** (food puzzles). Don't waste food by putting it in a dish.

Make sure new things are safe and fun for the puppy. Let's say that you hear a siren while walking your puppy. Don't use the "it's okay" tone of voice – it seems to tell puppies that you're afraid, too. Give a treat or toy and either say nothing or happily say how fabulous it is that you just heard a siren. If something might be at all scary, feed lots of treats just after the new item appears! If your puppy is scared but will probably calm down in that situation with a few treats and some happy talk, stay there. If it looks like the panic is just going to get worse, leave the situation. As soon as possible, gradually get your dog used to the scary monster (noise, sight, surface, whatever). Start with a less intense version of the monster: lower volume, bigger distance, etc.

Humans are most scary when they make eye contact and loom over the dog. Be ready for your dog's experience of this by providing treats whenever your puppy meets someone new. Feed Puppy while the human pets him. If your dog is especially shy, have *every* calorie come from strangers for at least a week. Have him meet new humans in profile (their side faces the dog), so that it's less scary. They can calmly crouch down and wait for the puppy to greet them, rather than reaching out for the puppy. When petting shy dogs, pet under the chin instead of on top of the head.

Glossary (words not defined here are in the Basic-Skills.doc handout)

2-fer sit: Give your puppy one treat for every two sits. Click and Treat the faster sit, simply release the dog from the slower one using "okay" or "free."

Hide and Seek Recall: Starting in a quiet place, distract your dog with food on the floor, then go hide. Call your dog ("Fido, come!"). Praise lavishly, treat, and or run around like a goof when your dog finds you. Eventually do this activity at parks or on hikes.

Jumping Blitz: Do this activity several times in a row, with several different people. Restrain the dog using a leash or baby gate. Approach the dog. If she jumps, say "too bad" and leave for 10 seconds. If she has all paws on the floor or is sitting, click and reward.

Offered Sit: When your dog happens to sit, click and reward. We're just telling the dog, "I like it when you put your bottom on the ground." Later, we'll pair this with the cue, "sit."

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Ahimsa Dog Training Socialization Scavenger Hunt



To get your FREE TOY, bring **this page only** to your instructor.

Puppy Name:_____

The goal of this Scavenger Hunt is to get you in the habit of socializing and training your puppy all over town. You must have a **different** business sign off on each item, so that your dog gets more exposure. If your puppy has less than two sets of Distemper/Parvo shots, you may want to carry your puppy, rather than having him/her walk.

For the complete list of participating businesses, please visit *www.DoggieZen.com/scavenger*. You may also find random businesses that will help you. Please be patient and don't get in the way of their other customers. They've all been very happy to help, and we'd like to keep it that way!

Use plenty of treats one second AFTER the socialization event occurs. Ex. Petting hand reaches out, one-second pause, treats! Help your puppy avoid jumping by kneeling and lightly holding his harness.

For all of these, the Owner gives the cues and treats, though extra treats from our business friends are welcome! If you forget your clicker, just use "Yes" as the marker signal.

Warm up your puppy before you ask for the signature, because your puppy will need time to get used to working in this new environment. Even dogs that perform well at home can flop in public!

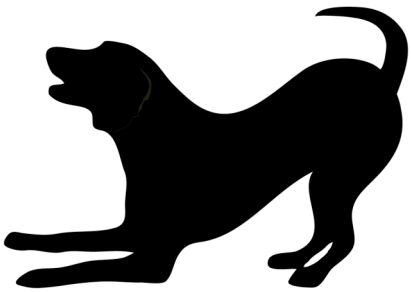
_____ Puppy gets petted, including ears, tail & feet. *If your puppy is shy, modify & do this in baby steps.* Keep the puppy happy!

_____ Humans Shake Hands or High Five as your puppy watches. Don't forget the treat right afterwards!

_____ Person at the business gives the puppy a hug. Immediately give treats after the hug begins! *If your dog is shy, you'll need to work up to this.*

_____ Puppy sits with just a verbal cue, like "Sit" – no lures, hand signals or bending over, unless puppy is deaf or hard of hearing.

_____ Rude Petting – Helper looms over the dog and pat the puppy on the head several times. Feed your puppy a treat just after the looming/patting begins.

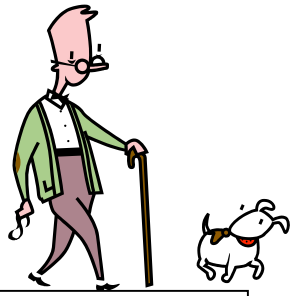


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Do 7-10 Socialization items (next 2 pages) and 5-6 Manners items (last page) daily.

Locations

❑ ❑ ❑ variety of staircases
❑ another home
❑ lake/pond
❑ boat
❑ in a crate
❑ ❑ tethered to couch
❑ stationary car
❑ moving car
❑ elevator
❑ garage
❑ vet (just say hi, get cookies, no vaccs)
❑ groomer (just say hi)



Noises

❑ garage door opening
❑ doorbell
❑ ❑ babies screaming
❑ big trucks
❑ Loud motorcycles
❑ washing machine
❑ shopping carts rolling
❑ power boat
❑ applause
❑ loud singing
❑ pan dropping (quietly at first!)
❑ barking dogs
❑ vacuum
❑ yard equipment

Handling

❑ ❑ hold under arm (like a football)
❑ hold to chest
❑ ❑ ❑ hold on floor between owner's legs
❑ hold in lap
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ hold head still
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ wipe cotton ball in ears
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ look in mouth
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ hold toenails
❑ ❑ pull tail gently
❑ ❑ squeeze gonads
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ brush teeth
❑ hold and take temperature (ask vet)
❑ hold like a baby
❑ ❑ trim toe nails
❑ ❑ bathe
❑ ❑ ❑ wipe paws with towel
❑ ❑ ❑ towel dry head

Moving Objects

No chasing!

❑ ❑ skateboard
❑ ❑ rollerblades
❑ ❑ bicycle
❑ cars
❑ adult running
❑ cat
❑ scooter
❑ vacuum
❑ ❑ ❑ children running
❑ children's sports
❑ squirrel running

Meet New People

Outside of family

❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ children
❑ ❑ men
❑ women
❑ ❑ elderly adults
❑ dancing people
❑ ❑ different ethnicities

People in/with:
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ odd gait
❑ wheelchairs
❑ walkers
❑ canes
❑ crutches
❑ beard
❑ hat
❑ sunglasses
❑ winter clothing



Play Objects

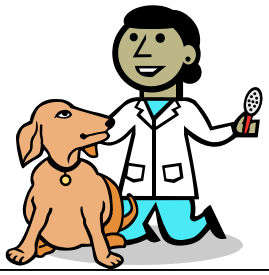
❑ large ball (soccer)
❑ smaller ball (tennis)
❑ fuzzy toy
❑ hard toy
❑ funny sounding toy
❑ tug toy
❑ gallon plastic jug

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Alone Time

Always leave puppy with stuffed Kong or other food toy.

❑ ❑ 30 seconds
❑ 1 minute
❑ ❑ ❑ 2 minutes
❑ ❑ 5 minutes
❑ ❑ ❑ 10 minutes
❑ 30 minutes
❑ ❑ 1 hour
❑ ❑ 2 hours
❑ 3 hours
❑ 4 hours
❑ 5 hours (pup must be at least 4 months for 5 hours absence)



Eating locations

Combinable with handling, training, or container feeding

❑ back & front yard
❑ crate
❑ every room in house (even the small ones)
❑ friend's house
❑ car
❑ school yard
❑ bathtub
❑ up high (on work bench)
❑ under umbrella
❑ bob for treats in water dish

Challenges

❑ ❑ walk in rain
❑ ❑ walk in dark
❑ climb on, in, off & around a box
❑ go through a cardboard tunnel
❑ ❑ climb up and down stairs
❑ climb over obstacle
❑ go in and out a doorway with a step up or down
❑ automatic door
❑ see balloons
❑ walk on a wobbly table (plank of wood with a small rock underneath)

Eat or Drink From...

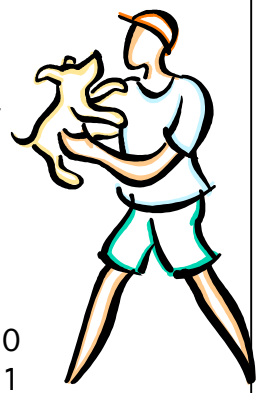
❑ wobbly bowl
❑ metal
❑ cardboard box
❑ paper coffee cup
❑ china
❑ pie pan
❑ plastic
❑ frying pan
❑ ❑ ❑ spoon in hand
❑ paper bag
❑ squeeze-top bottle

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Kong, Treatball, Buster Cube, etc. Feed most meals in these toys.

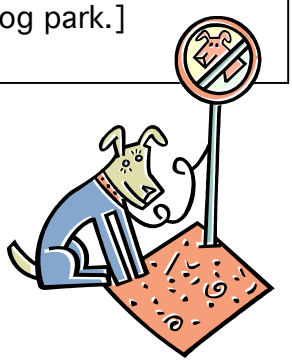
Meet and Play

Puppies or safe adult dogs off leash

❑ dog 1
❑ dog 2
❑ dog 3
❑ dog 4
❑ dog 5
❑ dog 6
❑ dog 7
❑ dog 8
❑ dog 9
❑ dog 10
❑ dog 11
❑ dog 12



[This does NOT mean at the dog park.]



Surfaces

❑ ❑ metal grate
❑ wood
❑ woodchips
❑ carpet
❑ tile
❑ cement
❑ snow/ice
❑ grass
❑ wet grass
❑ gravel
❑ dirt
❑ mud
❑ walk through puddle
❑ on a table
❑ on a chair

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Each day, Check off 7-10 Socialization items and 5-6 Manners items (this page).

Name Game

Inside
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Outside
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Wait

"Wait" to go through/across:
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ Crate door
❑ ❑ Doorway 1
❑ Doorway 1 with greeting human on the other side
❑ ❑ Doorway 2
❑ Doorway 3
❑ Doorway 4
❑ Doorway 5
❑ ❑ Car door
❑ ❑ ❑ Street
❑ Automatic door

Stay

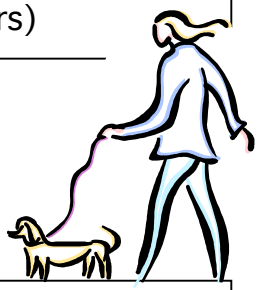
"Stay" for pictures!
❑ ❑ ❑ 1 second
❑ 2 seconds
❑ 3 seconds
❑ 4 seconds
❑ 5 seconds
❑ 10 seconds
❑ 20 seconds
❑ 30 seconds

Essentials

❑ Review housetraining rules with family

❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ Soft Biting Practice

❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ Jumping Blitz (family)
❑ ❑ Jumping Blitz (outsiders)



Recall

Everyday Recall

Cue: _____

Hide and Seek Recall
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑

Recall (inside)
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑

Recall (outside)
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑
❑ ❑ ❑

Emergency Recall

Cue: _____

Treat Parties:
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑
❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑ ❑

Sit

❑ ❑ ❑ Offered Sit
❑ Teach Sit Cue
❑ Two-fer sits
❑ Three-fer sits
❑ Sit no hand signals
❑ Sit while human sits on floor
❑ Sit from a distance

Down

❑ ❑ ❑ Offered Down
❑ Teach Down Cue
❑ Two-fer downs
❑ Down no hand signals
❑ Down while human sits on a chair
❑ Down while human holds a box

Leave It

❑ ❑ ❑ Food
❑ ❑ ❑ Objects
❑ ❑ ❑ Other animals



Walking on Leash

❑ ❑ ❑ Click for Position (inside)
❑ ❑ ❑ Click for Position (outside)
❑ ❑ ❑ Speed Training

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