# Socialization checklist



Socialization is the process of preparing a dog to be comfortable for a variety of situations by exposing them to a multitude of sights, sounds, people and places. It is best if this process is started at a young age but a dog is never too old to be socialized.

## People:

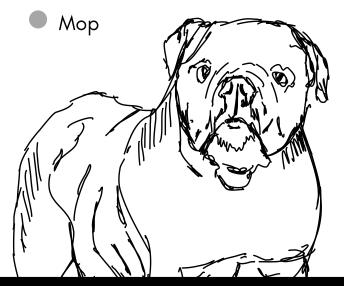
- Infants
- Crawling Infants
- Toddlers
- Youth
- Teenagers
- Young Adults
- Seniors
- Women
- Men
- People of Various Ethnicities
- Men with Deep Voices
- Men with Beards
- Person with Wheelchair
- Person with Cane
- Person with Helmet
- Person with Glasses
- Person with Bag/Backpack
- People Running

### Places:

- Farm Store
- Pet Store
- Hardware Store
- Vet Office
- Friends House
- Park with Dogs
- Park with People
- Parking Lot
- Street Fair
- Festival
- Lakes
- Groomer
- Restaurant Patio
- Boarding Kennel
- Training Class

## Things:

- Wheelchairs
- Canes
- Walkers
- Sliding Doors
- Elevators
- Escalators
- Moving Walkways
- Boxes
- Bikes
- Skateboards
- Scooters
- Statues
- Garbage Cans
- Buses
- Cars
- Trucks
- Motorcycles
- Pots and Pans
- Garbage Bag being Opened
- Blankets
- Balloons
- Broom



#### **Surfaces:**

- Grass
- Carpet
- Tile
- Hardwood
- Linoleum
- Asphalt
- Concrete
- Metal
- Turf
- Dirt
- Mud
- Snow
- Ice
- Stairs

#### **Animals:**

- Puppies
- Dogs
- Cows
- Horses
- Large Dog Breeds
- Small Dog Breeds
- Rodents
- Reptiles
- Cats
- Birds

# **Touching and Handling:**

Sounds:

- Ears
- Paws
- Nails
- Head
- Mouth
- Lips
- Teeth
- Pinching Skin
- Private Area
- Back
- Stomach
- Grabbing Collar
- Wiping with Towel
- Brushing
- Nail Trimming
- Hugging
- Picking Up
- Holding on Back

- Other Animals
- Vacuum
- Thunder
- Gunfire
- Fireworks
- People in a Crowd
- Smoke Alarm
- Sirens
- Doorbell
- Door Knock
- Dishwasher
- Washing Machine
- Dryer
- Blow Dryer
- Television
- Radio
- Training Clicker
- Airplanes

