Socialization Checklist



Socializing your dog doesn't just pertain to interactions with other humans and dogs. Exposing your dogs to different situations, environments, sounds, and animals is also important. Use this list as a reference to help your pup become a well-balanced dog.

People	A
Kids of all ages	
Adults	
Elderly people	
People with facial hair	
People wearing uniforms	
People using mobility aids/devices (walkers, crutches, wheelchairs)	
People using umbrellas	
Large crowds	
People on moving objects (bikes, skateboards, scooters)	

Animals	\(\rightarrow\)
Dogs (different sizes, ages, breeds, & temperaments)	0
Cats	0
Small Animals (guinea pigs, bunnies, hamsters)	
Birds	0
Squirrels	0
Surfaces	S
Dirt	0
Grass	0
Gravel	0
Sand	0
Wood	0
Cement	0
Linoleum	
Wood flooring	
Carpet	
Stairs	0
Treadmill	0
Elevator	0
Playground equipment	0
Treadmill	

Grooming/Handling	Y
Ears	
Mouth	
Paws	
Tail	0
Being held/restrained (by owner, groomer and vet techs)	0
Muzzle conditioned	
Standing still for baths/exams	
Brush coat	
Brush teeth	0
Clip/dremmel nails	0
Wearing collar and allow being grabbed by collar	0

Environment	Y
Vet	
Groomer	
Crates (plastic/wire)	0
Parks	
Trails	0
Dog friendly stores/restaurants	0
Car rides	
Drive Thru	
Bodies of water (ocean, lake, river, creek)	
Types of weather conditions	0
Mountains	

Sounds	\square
Vacuum	0
Hair dryer	
Household appliances (dishwasher, washer/dryer, blender)	
Tv	
Loud music	0
Doorbell	0
Loud laughing	
Lawnmower	
Construction	0
High traffic areas	
Car honking	
Gun shots	0
Thunder/Lightning	0