

The Social Schedule is a comprehensive <u>socialization</u> list. This list is broken down into categories to ensure your range is extensive. Your puppy should experience a wide variety of people, places, sights, sounds and surfaces. Your efforts help ensure that he is curious, confident and resilient throughout his life. *As always, your puppy decides who and what he wants to meet. Your job is to ensure that he is comfortable and that the world is a fun and safe place to be.* 

### What To Do If Your Puppy Appears Frightened

(tries to pull away, tucked tail, ears pinned back, wide-eyed, won't take a treat)

- Quickly move far enough away from the 'scary' thing so the puppy doesn't appear frightened.
- If it helps, gently pick him up to walk away, and offer comfort and support.
- Feed, play or pet the pup to help him relax and gain confidence.
- You could try again from a far enough distance (pup is comfortable) or scrap it and try another time.

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People	Shopping carts	Telephone worker	Martial arts	Weed whippers
Adults	Limps or odd gaits		Bike couriers	Electric hedge shears
Babies	Erratic body moves	People Wearing	Motor Vehicles	Sweeping with broom
Toddlers	Different		Motorcycles	Garden hose
Children	Environments			Sprinkler system
Teenagers	Car rides			Home Environment
Seniors	Socialization class	Sunglasses		
All genders	Vet clinic	Hats	Trucks backing up	Phone ringing
Different ethnicities	Boarding kennel	Beards	Screeching brakes	Doorbell
	Groomers	Helmets	Cars backfiring	Loud TV
Animals	The bank		Airplanes	Loud music
Friendly, healthy dogs		Punk hairdos	Helicopters	Hair dryer
Puppies	Video store	Shaved heads	Drones	Vacuum cleaner
Small pets (hamsters)	Gas station	Athletic Folk	Street cleaners	Kettle
Large birds (geese)	Toll booth	Joggers	Snow plows	Dish washer
Cats	Shopping mall	Skate boarders	Garbage trucks	Washer/dryer
Livestock (goats)	Friend's homes			Electrical appliances
	Public transit	Roller bladers	Construction Sites & Gardeners	Domestic staff
People with	Outdoor café			Home office
Wearing PPE*	Country versus city	Cross country skiers		Sweeping/mopping
Canes	Elevators/escalators	Toboggans and sleds	Front-end loaders	Guests
Crutches	Automatic doors	Snow boarders		Repair people
Legs in cast		Surfers	Bulldozers	Delivery people
Metal frame walkers	People in Uniform	Wind surfers		
Wheelchairs	Police	Speed walkers	Power tools	Different Surfaces
Guide dogs	Firefighters	Spectator at 10k run	Fork lifts	Stairs (up and down)
Baby carriages	Postal workers	Kayakers/canoeing	Carrying shovels	
Baby carriers	Vet clinic staff*	Hang gliders	Wheelbarrows	
Back packs	Ambulance attendants	People swimming	Lawn mowers	Wood
	Crossing guards	Water skiing	Ride on mowers	Ceramic tiles
	Meter readers	Hackysack	Leaf blowers	Carpet
Wagons		,		Slippery surfaces

\* put a high priority on people wearing Personal Protective Equipment so that your dog is not fearful of vet clinic staff or the groomer.



# ULTIMATE PUPPY WORKSHEET

# SOCIAL SCHEDULE

Different Surfaces Cont	Different Environments	Environmental Hazards	Outdoor Events	Strange Sights & Smells
Watery or wet	Pet supply store	& Noise Pollution	Parade	Drunk people
Grass	Downtown	Sirens	Hot air balloon	lce cream truck
Gravel	Boat rides	Thunder & lightning Snow blowers Snow Rain Vind Airport	People singing	Strong perfume
Cement	School grounds		Live music band	Strong cooking smells
Swinging bridge	Petting zoo		Farmers market	UFO's and Aliens
Wooden dock	Car wash		Beach party/bonfires	Hammocks
Tarmac (not hot days)	Walk after dark		Santa Claus	Swings
Astroturf	A tunnel		Rodeo	Scooters
Mud	A bridge	Loud speakers	Fairs	Tricycles
lce	Busy intersection	Building demolition	Sporting events	🗌 Hula hoop
Warm surface	Outside day care	People yelling	Clowns	Kites
Cold surface	Active railway	Loud speakers	Mimes	Model airplanes
	Crowd of people**		People dancing	Remote control toys
	Drive-thru		Rush hour	Low flying airplanes
	Drive-in-movie		A rally/protest	Skipping rope
	Sporting facilities		Street vendors	Flags/banners
	The beach		Anything Else	Your Weird Uncle
	Hiking trails			
	The office			
	Anything Else			

### **Special Consideration In Crowds**

\*\*Puppies should never have to walk through crowds. If you are taking your pup to an outside event with lots of people, please use common sense and bring water, provide shade, and carry the puppy. Many outdoor activities with crowds are not puppy friendly.

#### NOTES

Record any additional unique socialization opportunities as well as anything your puppy appears uncomfortable about.