

MY PUPPY'S SOCIALISATION CHECK LIST:

Situations to expose your puppy to:	Excited	Relaxed	Timid/shy	Scared
<u>HOUSE</u>				
KITCHEN:				
• Pots and pans banging				
• Cupboards opening and shutting				
• Microwave beeping				
• Phone ringing				
• Kitchen equipment – e.g. Food processors				
• Dishwasher noises				
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Any comments:				
LOUNGE ROOM:				
• TV				
• Stereo				
• Doors banging				
• Vacuum cleaner				
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Any comments:				
BATHROOM:				
• Taps/shower/bath running				
• Hair dryer				
• Electric shaver				
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Any comments:				
OTHER:				
• Door bells /knocking				
• Washing machine				
• Dryer				
• Windows opening/closing				
• Power tools				

	Excited	Relaxed	Timid/shy	Scared
• Roller doors				
• Cars starting				
• Lawn mowers/blowers				
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Any comments:				
<u>PEOPLE:</u>				
• Babies				
• Toddlers				
• Children				
• Women				
• Men				
• Loud voices				
• Crowds				
• Disabled – Wheelchairs/walking frames				
• Scooters				
• Aged				
• Posties				
• Garbage collectors				
• STRANGERS				
• Different appearances (e.g. Beards, hats, glasses, etc)				
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Any comments:				
<u>TRANSPORT:</u>				
• Cars				
• Motorbikes				
• Pushbikes				
• Buses				
• Trucks				
• Tractors/heavy vehicles				
• TRAFFIC				
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Any comments:				

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<u>PLACES:</u>				
• Schools				
• Shopping centers				
• Parks				
• Beaches				
• Walking tracks				
• Sporting events – e.g. Football games (crowds/noise)				
• Other peoples houses				
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Any comments:				
<u>ANIMALS:</u>				
• Cats				
• Dogs				
• Livestock				
• Horses				
• Rabbits, guinea pigs, etc				
• Birds				
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Any comments:				

Rules for successful socialization:

- All experiences must be positive.
- To create a positive experience you can reward your puppy with food treats, pats, praise and play during these experiences.
- AVOID ALL TYPES OF PUNISHMENT WHEN SOCIALISING YOUR PUPPY e.g. yelling, hitting etc.
- Do not force your puppy into any situations that it is unsure of.
- These experiences need to be rewarding and fun for both you AND your puppy.
- These socialization experiences are important for the rest of your puppy's life, most importantly THE FIRST YEAR.
- This list is not exhaustive – create as many different situations as possible