K9INTUITION

BEHAVIOUR ADVICE SOCIALISING & TRAINING



THE BEST PAW FORWARD FOR YOUR DOG!

<u>Appropriate socialising</u> - <u>Before your puppy has had all his vaccinations</u>, you should be taking him out and about, <u>carrying him</u> and exposing him to every day life. Early exposure to new situations in a happy and relaxed fashion makes a huge difference to a growing puppy's ability to cope with new/novel situations as he becomes older. It massively reduces the chances of your puppy developing fears and/or anxieties which can escalate into aggression as the puppy grows up.

If you see any fearful or anxious behaviours from your puppy, e.g. yawning, turning his head away to avoid eye contact, lip/nose licking, lifting a paw from the floor, shaking, tail between legs, avoiding/hiding etc. please remove your puppy from the situation and try again at a later stage and from a greater distance. Do not force your puppy into a situation he is clearly worried about as you will only do more harm than good and cause your puppy to have a deep seated fear of something.

Did you know that approx 75% of pet dogs display some level of anxious and/or fearful behaviours.

DO NOT ALLOW YOUR PUPPY DOWN ON THE GROUND ANYWHERE EXCEPT YOUR OWN HOME AND GARDEN UNTIL 1 WEEK AFTER HE HAS HAD HIS 2ND PUPPY VACCINATION. YOU CAN INVITE FAMILY OR FRIENDS DOGS, WHICH YOU KNOW ARE FULLY VACCINATED, IN GOOD HEALTH AND FRIENDLY, INTO YOUR OWN HOME AND GARDEN FOR YOUR PUPPY TO INTERACT WITH.

<u>Basic manners</u> - You have chosen to bring a puppy into your life and therefore you have a responsibility to ensure, amongst other things, that your puppy learns how to behave. Teaching your puppy in a kind and consistent manner with positive, reward based training has been scientifically proven to be the best way to train a puppy. Not only is this way of training successful, it has the puppy's welfare at it's heart. Teaching a puppy sit, come, stay, not to jump up etc. is SO much easier the younger they are. Teaching your puppy good behaviours at a very young age and not allowing him to develop bad habits like jumping up, will make him far more socially acceptable and a real pleasure to be around.

REMEMBER THAT TRAINING YOUR DOG AND TEACHING HIM LIFE SKILLS SHOULD BE ONGOING THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE OF YOUR DOG'S LIFE.

The Law states that all dogs must be under control EVERYWHERE now – even in your own home and garden. It is crucially important that our puppies are well socialised and have a good grasp of basic manners. This way your puppy will have the chance to develop into an adult dog which is not frightened of novel situations and is well behaved.

Current research tells us that more than 95% of all dog aggression is based in fear. So you can see why it is SO important to socialise your puppy from this early age, to help him have all the life skills he requires to cope with the everyday situations you will put him into and to help prevent fearful behaviours.

If you would like help/support with training your puppy why not book a 1-2-1 session with **K9INTUITION** and give your pup the best start <u>www.k9intuition.works</u>

Good luck and have fun with your new puppy!







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