

# Checklist PUPPY (8-16 weeks)

## SOCIALISATION

Follow this checklist to create positive experiences with the world around your puppies - use high value treats if they will take them.

Puppies are naturally curious, so we want them to explore everything around them in a positive and healthy way from a young age. The more experiences they encounter, the more they learn not to fear or be threatened by different environments, sounds, sights and smells.

If your puppy is unsure of a new experience:

- Stay calm, do not fuss over them or baby them
- Slightly increase the distance away, and gradually get closer
- Praise your puppy as they remain calm
- Make it positive and exciting
- Direct attention, praise and reward to desensitise

## STARTING EXPERIENCES

PEOPLE	OBJECTS	SURFACES	PLACES
<input type="checkbox"/> Males & Females	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum cleaner	<input type="checkbox"/> Stairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Vet clinic
<input type="checkbox"/> Adults	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrobath	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Grooming salon
<input type="checkbox"/> Children	<input type="checkbox"/> Dog toys (rubber, rope, squeaky, plastic, fabric)	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Shops (pet store / bunnings)
<input type="checkbox"/> Babies	<input type="checkbox"/> Kids toys	<input type="checkbox"/> Carpet	<input type="checkbox"/> Houses - friends / family
<input type="checkbox"/> Toddlers	<input type="checkbox"/> Balloons	<input type="checkbox"/> Hardwood floor	<input type="checkbox"/> School
<input type="checkbox"/> Elderly	<input type="checkbox"/> Umbrellas	<input type="checkbox"/> Linoleum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park / playground
<input type="checkbox"/> Different ethnicities	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports balls (soccer, basketball etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mud / water / puddles	<input type="checkbox"/> Walking trails
<input type="checkbox"/> Postman / Delivery Driver	<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboards	<input type="checkbox"/> Gravel / rocks	<input type="checkbox"/> Puppy school
<input type="checkbox"/> People in uniform	<input type="checkbox"/> Plastic bag blowing in the wind	<input type="checkbox"/> Reflective surfaces	<input type="checkbox"/> Beaches
<input type="checkbox"/> People in workboots	<input type="checkbox"/> Brooms	<input type="checkbox"/> Slippery floors	<input type="checkbox"/> Car rides
<input type="checkbox"/> People in High Vis	<input type="checkbox"/> Mops	<input type="checkbox"/> Grass / leaves	<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee shop / cafe
<input type="checkbox"/> People in hats or masks		<input type="checkbox"/> Wet grass	<input type="checkbox"/> Workplace
<input type="checkbox"/> People sounds - talking, laughing, shouting, crying, arguing, playing, singing		<input type="checkbox"/> Bricks	<input type="checkbox"/> Lift
			<input type="checkbox"/> Travelator
HANDLING	SOUNDS	ANIMALS	OTHER
<input type="checkbox"/> Grabbing collar / harness	<input type="checkbox"/> Dishwasher	<input type="checkbox"/> Puppies	<input type="checkbox"/> Being alone for varying times
<input type="checkbox"/> Ears touched / cleaned	<input type="checkbox"/> Washing machine	<input type="checkbox"/> Adult dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Being in crate
<input type="checkbox"/> Paws touched / held	<input type="checkbox"/> Doorbell / knock on door	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Being in puppy pen
<input type="checkbox"/> Cutting nails	<input type="checkbox"/> Cars / traffic	<input type="checkbox"/> Larger dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Wearing hat / sunglasses / dog clothing etc
<input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning eyes	<input type="checkbox"/> TV	<input type="checkbox"/> Smaller dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Being handled by different people
<input type="checkbox"/> Tethered on lead	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Different coated dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Being out at night
<input type="checkbox"/> Being brushed	<input type="checkbox"/> Radio	<input type="checkbox"/> Long nosed dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Having guests come into the house
<input type="checkbox"/> Tail lifted / touched	<input type="checkbox"/> Alarm clocks	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat faced dogs	
<input type="checkbox"/> Being bandaged	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum	<input type="checkbox"/> Playing with other dogs	
<input type="checkbox"/> Checking between paws	<input type="checkbox"/> Microwave beeping	<input type="checkbox"/> Dogs with no tails	



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# FURTHER EXPERIENCES

PEOPLE	OBJECTS	SURFACES	PLACES
<input type="checkbox"/> Joggers	<input type="checkbox"/> Bikes / scooters	<input type="checkbox"/> Bubblewrap / aluminium foil	<input type="checkbox"/> Train station
<input type="checkbox"/> Cyclists	<input type="checkbox"/> Rollerblades	<input type="checkbox"/> Sand	<input type="checkbox"/> Bus station
<input type="checkbox"/> People with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Prams	<input type="checkbox"/> Metal flooring	<input type="checkbox"/> City
<input type="checkbox"/> Men with beards	<input type="checkbox"/> Trolleys	<input type="checkbox"/> Lifts / elevator / escalator	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports field during game / training
<input type="checkbox"/> Men with deep voices	<input type="checkbox"/> Cars	<input type="checkbox"/> Wobbly surfaces (balance board etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> Walking into tunnels
<input type="checkbox"/> Crowds	<input type="checkbox"/> Sprinklers	<input type="checkbox"/> Raised surfaces / being up high	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction site
<input type="checkbox"/> People in sunglasses	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchairs / walking frames / walking stick	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Shopping areas / car parks
<input type="checkbox"/> People in coats	<input type="checkbox"/> Rubbish bags		<input type="checkbox"/> Bridges / foot bridges
<input type="checkbox"/> People in dark clothing	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheelie bins / indoor rubbish bins		
<input type="checkbox"/> People with prams	<input type="checkbox"/> Hair dryer		
<input type="checkbox"/> People in wheelchairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Grooming equipment - scissors, clippers		
<input type="checkbox"/> People wearing costumes			

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<input type="checkbox"/> Giving tablets	<input type="checkbox"/> Blender	<input type="checkbox"/> Different coloured dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Watching passerbys from home
<input type="checkbox"/> Walking on a lead	<input type="checkbox"/> Hair dryer	<input type="checkbox"/> Male dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Being on driveway at home watching
<input type="checkbox"/> Checking and cleaning teeth / mouth / gums	<input type="checkbox"/> Clippers	<input type="checkbox"/> Female dogs	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Touching nose	<input type="checkbox"/> Rubbish bags	<input type="checkbox"/> Cats & kittens	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Being picked up	<input type="checkbox"/> Slamming doors	<input type="checkbox"/> Birds	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Being carried / held	<input type="checkbox"/> Banging pots / pans	<input type="checkbox"/> Horses	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pet by children	<input type="checkbox"/> Car doors	<input type="checkbox"/> Sheep / cows / livestock	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Being bathed	<input type="checkbox"/> Post deliveries	<input type="checkbox"/> Chickens / ducks	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Being towel dried	<input type="checkbox"/> Rubbish truck	<input type="checkbox"/> Watching dogs from afar	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Being blow dried	<input type="checkbox"/> Motorbikes	<input type="checkbox"/> Guinea pigs / pocket pets	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Checked for ticks	<input type="checkbox"/> Lawn mower	<input type="checkbox"/> Possums	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Touching all legs	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaf Blower	<input type="checkbox"/> Lizards	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Lotion / cream applied	<input type="checkbox"/> Whipper Snipper	<input type="checkbox"/> Frogs / toads	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Touching belly	<input type="checkbox"/> Trains / buses	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Wearing a collar	<input type="checkbox"/> Rain		
<input type="checkbox"/> Putting on & wearing harness	<input type="checkbox"/> Thunderstorms		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fireworks		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sirens / alarms		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Barking dogs		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Parties		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Kids playing / yelling		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Musical instruments		

## Remember!

This is by no means an exhaustive list of experiences that you might introduce your puppy to. Feel free to add any others that you can think of.

The goal is not necessarily to tick everything off the list as quickly as possible. It's to help give your puppy the best start in life to be a happy, well adjusted and non-reactive dog, who is not fearful of the world around them.



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