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Puppy Socialization Checklist¹

Category	Element of socialization	Positive experience with the element		
Humans	Men of various appearances (e.g. with or without a beard)			
	Women of various appearances (e.g. with or without glasses)			
	Children (including babies, in strollers, etc.)			
	Older people (including those with a cane, walker, in a wheelchair)			
	People running, skateboarding, biking, etc.			
Objects	Garbage bags, garbage bins, construction cones			
	Cars, motorcycles, trucks			
	Umbrellas, backpacks, grocery bags			
	Canes, walkers, wheelchairs			
Surfaces	Lawn (dry and wet)			
	Asphalt, concrete, sewer grate			
	Wood, ceramic, slippery surface			
	Carpets (different colours and textures)			
Sounds	Police, fire and ambulance sirens and the sound of a truck backing up			
	Doorbell, person knocking on the door			
	Fireworks, thunder			
	Engine, skateboard, airplane noise			

Although not exhaustive, this tool will guide new dog parents in socializing their puppy.

	Children playing, yelling, crying			
Animals	Dogs (of various colours, sizes, long, short or curly hair)			
	Cats or small household pets (rabbit, rat, etc.)			
	Wildlife (pigeons, gulls, squirrels, etc.)			