

# FLUFFY DOG RESCUE

AND PEOPLE  
GIVING DOGS A SECOND CHANCE

## What Every Puppy/Dog Should Learn

1. To be comfortable in a crate, both when owners are home as well as when owners are gone.
2. To eliminate outside, on command would be nice!
3. To respect human hands and skin. No nipping or mouthing!
4. To not jump up on humans or countertops.
5. How to respect their owners as the leader of the pack. ***This takes leadership on your part. You must be the Pack Leader!***
6. To release or relinquish food, toys, or inappropriate objects when told. ***A pack leader never takes something from a "lower" pack mate. The pack mate must drop it and relinquish control to the pack leader.***
7. To come when called.
8. To be tolerant of handling. Examples: nail trims, cleaning ears, kids grabbing fur, taking things out of mouth, drops in eyes, giving pills, bathing, brushing/grooming, etc.
9. To "leave it" when told.
10. No chasing bicycles, children, squirrels, rabbits, cars, cats, etc...
11. To walk without pulling.
12. To sit, down, stay, off, and wait on command. ***Remember your commands MUST BE consistent. You cannot use "down" for both lay down and off. Be sure all family members (i.e. pack leaders) remain consistent as well!***
13. To be comfortable and under control in new or uncomfortable places such as: the veterinary hospital, groomer, boarding kennel, training class, pet store, other people's homes even if it is overnight!
14. To be comfortable if and when separated from other dogs, pets or people in their family – meaning able to be left alone without destruction, barking or nervousness. ***Some dogs suffer from separation anxiety and can become destructive. However, most dogs become destructive out of nervous energy. Make sure to give your dog plenty of exercise. Even more if you know you will be gone for a longer period of time.***
15. To play, chew, or relax without constant contact or interaction from owner.
16. To be tolerant of and possibly sociable with other dogs.
17. To not be protective of food, bowl, crate, toys or bed.
18. To quiet barking when told.
19. To greet friends & strangers without jumping or shying away.
20. To not rush through doorways or down stairs ahead of owner. ***This is another sign of dominance, as a pack leader you always go through first!***
21. No "humping". ***This is again dominance related. Even dogs that are "fixed" will try to hump another dog to exhibit dominance.***
22. To move from a location, like on furniture or bed, when directed without complaint.