

BEHAVIOUR INFORMATION FORM



This questionnaire will help us to serve you better. All your answers and personal information will be treated as Strictly Confidential and will not be shared with anybody other your veterinarian (with your consent). PRIVACY POLICY: When you provide us with your personal information you can be assured it will not be shared with a third party and will be used only by Cowichan Canine Behaviour & Training Ltd for the purpose of corresponding with our clients.

Report Sent:
Address Book:

1. DOG DATA

Dog's Name				
Breed / mix				
Colour / markings				
Gender	Male, intact	Male, neutered (at age)	Female, intact	Female, spayed (at age)
Date of birth (or age)				
Age at purchase / adoption				
Veterinarian				
Day Care, Dog Walker, Pet Sitter, Groomer				

2. CLIENT DATA

Client Name			Occupation	
Address & Postal Code				
Telephone		Cell phone		
Email			Please initial here to give consent for the CowK9 email list:	
What other dogs have you had in the past?				
How did you hear about Cowichan Canine?				

3. DOG'S BACKGROUND

From whom did you get this dog?	
Breeder, if known, or Name of rescue	
If you met the dam (mother) of your dog, please describe her personality.	
If you met the sire (father) of your dog, please describe his personality.	
If you met the siblings of your dog, please describe their personalities, and why you chose this dog over the others.	
If re-homed, what was the reason given to you?	
Why did you decide to get this dog?	

4. HOUSEHOLD

Please list all the people, including yourself, who live in your household:

Name	Gender	Age (children)	Relationship with dog

Please list all other pets, who live in your household:

Name	Species/Gender	Age	Relationship with Dog

5. VETERINARY MEDICAL INFORMATION

When and why was your dog's latest visit to the veterinarian?	
Date of latest vaccination or titer test for parvo/distemper/adenovirus (DAPPV)	
Date of latest vaccination or titer test for rabies, if any	
Allergies, inc food allergies?	
Current medical issues? (Inc. allergies, joints, teeth, etc)	
Current medications	
Heartworm/flea/tick prevention programme?	
Past medical conditions and how they were treated / resolved	
Past medications	
How does your dog like the vet clinic? Has your dog had to be muzzled?	
<p>To confirm that we may contact and discuss health and behavioural issues with your veterinarian and write to inform your veterinarian about our work together, please initial this box:</p>	
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6. DOG'S DIET

Type & Brand of food			
How often and how much do you feed?		How long does it take your dog to finish the food / how long do you leave the food out?	
Which food dispensing toys does your dog enjoy, and how often do you use them?			

Please list your dog's Top Three favourite foods or treats, all categories

1		2		3	
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7. DOG'S HOME LIFE

What are the games that you play with your dog?		How much time do you spend playing with your dog each day?	
When during the day are your dog's favourite cuddle times?		How much time do you spend cuddling with your dog each day?	
How many hours per day / week is your dog without human companionship in on average?		How much time, if any, does your dog spend on his / her own in the yard?	
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How often, and for how long, and for what reasons is your dog crated or otherwise confined?		How does your dog tolerate being confined?	
Which areas of the house, if any, is your dog restricted to, and when?			

HOUSE TRAINING	
How often are there house-training accidents?	
How often does your dog normally defecate, and do the stools appear healthy?	
How often in a day does your dog go out for bathroom breaks?	

8. DOG'S SOCIAL LIFE

What type of collar, leash, harness, etc, do you use?					
How many walks does your dog get and how long are they?					
ON- LEASH		Walks per day		minutes	Comment:
OFF- LEASH		Walks per day		minutes	Comment:
How many different places away from home do you take your dog to each week, on average, and what are they?					

OTHER DOGS					
With how many different dogs from outside the home does your dog socialize with in an average week?		How many of these dogs are known friends of your dog?		How many of these dogs are "new" or "strange" to your dog?	
Please name and describe your dog's most regular playmates from OUTSIDE the household (i.e. that do not live with your dog)	Dog #1	Name:			
		Description:			
	Dog #2	Name:			
		Description:			
	Dog #3	Name:			
		Description:			
	Dog #4	Name:			
		Description:			
	Dog #5	Name:			
		Description:			
	Dog #6	Name:			
		Description:			

9. SOCIALIZATION & LEARNING HISTORY

Behaviour problems are the leading cause of death in dogs under three years of age.
A socialization programme is like an immunization programme against future behaviour problems.

It is important that the dog has positive experiences during outings. Do not let people reach for your dog and try to pet him if there is any chance that he will be worried, backing up, barking, or in any other way avoiding interaction. If he doesn't want to interact, he doesn't have to. As your dog's caregiver, it is your job to protect him from situations that he is uncomfortable with. If he can trust you to keep him safe, he will learn to be more confident, because he doesn't have to worry about what might happen.

This is an extract from a typical socialization checklist for an 8 weeks old puppy. In your dog's case, we are going to use it as a diagnostic tool: *Please tick all items that you think that your dog will be worried about. DO NOT tick items that you know your dog is happy with, and DO NOT tick items that will never apply to your dog's life.* What is left will be your dog's socialization programme, together with any additional "triggers" that black boxes into which you can add anything else that your dog is having trouble with.

	Surfaces		Places, cont		- Dirt Bikes		Food Bowls
	- Wooden floor		- Dog show/event		- Running Children		- Wobbly Bowl
	- Carpet		- Camping		- Cars & trucks		- Plastic Bowl
	- Asphalt		- Outdoor café		Challenges		- Metal Bowl
	- Grass		People (not family)		- Climb in/out of a box		- Cup
	- Wet Grass		- Children		- Go through small		- Saucer
	- Mud		- Teenager (m/f)		- Climb over obstacle		- Eat from a spoon
	- Shallow Puddles		- Men		- Up & down small		- Activation toy
	- Deep Puddles		- Women		- Play Find-Me!		Eat Out
	- Uneven Surfaces		- Using wheelchair/cane		- Exposed to Large Ball		- Puppy Pen
	- On a Table		- Jogging/running		- Umbrella opens/closes		- Kitchen
	- On a Chair		- Dancing/hugging		- Walk on Wobbly		- Garage
	Toys		- Wearing Hats		- Jump over a broom		- Car
	- Large Ball		- Wearing Beards		- Walk on moving panel		- Basement
	- Little Ball		- Wearing Sun Glasses		Care & Handling		- A Different Home
	- Soft Toys		- Unusual Dress		- Carried under arm		- Elevated
	- Harder Toys		- Smoking		- Carried against chest		- Under Umbrella
	- Noisy Toys		Sounds		- Examine Ears		- Other Eat Out places
	- Wooden Toys		- Loud music		- Examine Nose &		Dogs
	- Metal Items		- Doors open & close		- Examine Between		- With cropped ears
	- Keys		- Children playing		- Cut toe nails		- With docked tails
	Places		- Babies crying		- Brushing & Combing		- Puppies
	- Home Yard		- Cars		- Towel wipe		- Smaller dogs
	- School Yard		- Trucks		- Brushing teeth		- Larger dogs
	- Lake/sea		- Clapping		- Have temperature		- Fluffy dogs
	- River		- Loud Singing		- Bathing		- Black dogs
	- Boat		- Washing Machine		Environments		- Intact females
	- Basement		- Dropped Metal Pan		- Thunderstorms		- Intact males
	- Attic		- Neighing Horses		- Fireworks		Other Animals
	- Vet's Office		- Vacuum Cleaner		- Kids		- Cats
	- Car		- Doorbell/knocking		- Vacuum/hair dryer		- Birds
	- Garage		Fast Moving Objects		- Dremel/drill		- Livestock
	- Other people's houses		- Skateboards		- Motorcycle		- Horses
	- Grooming salon		- Roller Blades		- Traffic		- Ferrets, chinchillas
	- Pet store		- Bicycles				- Rabbits, guinea pigs

10. LEARNING HISTORY

Age of Dog	Classes or Private Training, and what type? (E.g. puppy, basic obedience, agility, behaviour consultations, etc)	What was the name of the trainer or organization?	What training methods were used? (E.g. clicker, treats, leash corrections, other)	What did you and your dog learn?

Please indicate your estimate of how well your dog performs these behaviours when asked:						
	Never/ doesn't know it	Rarely	Some-times	Mostly	Always	Comments
Sit						
Down (lie down)						
Stay						
Come when called						
Loose leash walking						
Give (give up something held in mouth)						
Wait (don't rush out through the door)						
Go to your bed / go in your kennel						
Quiet (stop barking)						
Off (get off furniture when asked)						
Others (including tricks):						

What makes your dog react inappropriately?

Please list your dog's "triggers", from Worst to Mildest. Enter as many as you can think of.

WORST			
VERY BAD			
QUITE BAD			
NOT SO BAD			
MILD			
MILDEST			
Comments			

11. DOG PERSONALITY QUESTIONNAIRE (DPQ)

(adapted from Gosling Jones 2008)

These personality traits and behaviour descriptions may or may not apply to your dog. Please indicate against each statement the extent to which you agree or disagree with that statement. You should rate your dog based on his or her general, overall behavior. If a question does not apply, or you don't know the answer, please skip it.

#	GENERAL PERSONALITY TYPE	Boisterous	Confident	Alert	Calm	Lethargic	Aloof	Shy	Anxious
1	Please mark the temperament types that apply to your dog (mark all that apply)								

#	GENERAL TEMPERAMENT	Since age	Agree			Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree		
			Strongly	Moderately	Slightly		Slightly	Moderately	Strongly
2	Dog is easily startled by unexpected noises								
3	Dog is easily startled by unexpected contact with objects (e.g. tripping, brushing against a door frame)								
4	Dog takes a long time to recover after being startled or frightened								
5	Dog does not adapt well to new situations and environments								
6	Dog does not enjoy playing with toys								
7	Dog chases cats, squirrels, birds, or other small animals								
8	Dog catches and kills cats, squirrels, birds, or other small animals								
9	Dog chases joggers, skateboarders, bicycles, motorbikes, or cars								
10	Dog is sensitive (and reactive) to pain								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								

#	GENERAL TEMPERAMENT, continued	Since age	Agree			Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree		
			Strongly	Moderately	Slightly		Slightly	Moderately	Strongly
11	Dog seeks constant activity								
12	Dog shows aggression when nervous or fearful								
13	Dog is unable to focus in a distracting situation (e.g. busy places, around dogs)								
14	Dog is anxious when left home alone								
15	Dog barks excessively								
16	Dog urinates when excited, when in trouble, or when greeting people or dogs								
17	Dog eats feces								
18	Dog sucks on toys or textiles, or licks himself frequently, or spins in circles, or licks the air								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								

#	PEOPLE RELATIONSHIPS	Since age	Agree			Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree		
			Strongly	Moderately	Slightly		Slightly	Moderately	Strongly
19	Dog is mouthing, nipping and/or play biting excessively								
20	Dog is fearful or aggressive if disturbed or moved when resting								
21	Dog is fearful or aggressive when groomed, handled or restrained								
22	Dog does not care to play with people								
23	Dog is fearful or aggressive towards unfamiliar people								
24	Dog is fearful or aggressive towards children								
25	Dog is fearful or aggressive when a stranger comes to the house								
26	Dog is very overly happy and excited when visitors arrive								
27	Dog jumps up on people								
28	Dog is fearful or aggressive when near crowds of people								
29	Dog is fearful or aggressive during visits to the veterinarian								
30	Dog aggressively guards valued items (e.g. food, toys) against people								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								

#	DOG-DOG RELATIONSHIPS	Since age	Agree			Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree		
			Strongly	Moderately	Slightly		Slightly	Moderately	Strongly
31	Dog is very excitable around other dogs								
32	Dog jumps up on (e.g. in play) and/or mounts other dogs								
33	Dog is assertive or pushy with other dogs								
34	Dog behaves submissively (e.g. rolls over, avoids eye contact, licks lips) when greeting other dogs								
35	Dog is aloof or indifferent towards other dogs								
36	Dog actively avoids other dogs								
37	Dog is fearful or aggressive towards other dogs								
38	Dog barks and/or lunges at the sight of other dogs								
39	Dog guards food or toys against other dogs								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								

#	TRAINING	Since age	Agree			Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree		
			Strongly	Moderately	Slightly		Slightly	Moderately	Strongly
40	Dog does not listen or pay attention								
41	Dog does not care to be praised								
42	Dog is slow to respond to corrections								
43	Dog is easily upset when corrected, scolded or punished								
44	Dog is quick to sneak out through open doors, gates								
45	Dog tends to pull on the leash on walks								
46	Dog ignores commands								
47	Dog does not come when called								
48	Dog steals food, objects or trash								
49	Dog jumps on furniture when not allowed								
50	Dog urinates and/or defecates in the house								
	Comments								
	Comments								
	Comments								

12. DETAILS OF AGGRESSIVE OR DEFENSIVE BITE HISTORY, IF ANY (play biting not applicable)

How many times has your dog bitten a person?		How many times has your dog bitten another dog?	
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PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE FIRST BITE THAT YOUR DOG INFLICTED ON A VICTIM

Date of incident	
Location	
Identity of the people present	
Identity of the dogs present	
What was the situation BEFORE the first sign of trouble?	
What was the FIRST sign of trouble?	
What happened between the first sign of trouble and the bite?	
Who was the victim(s)?	
How many bites were inflicted on each victim?	
How serious was the worst bite in this incident? (See bite scale below)	
Where on the body was/were the bite(s)?	
Did you have to remove the biting dog from the victim, and if so, how was that done?	
What happened immediately AFTER the bite?	
Was medical or veterinary treatment necessary, and if so, what was it?	
If you paid for treatment, how large was the bill?	
Was the bite reported to the authorities and/or was legal action taken, and if so, what is the current status of that?	

The Ian Dunbar Bite Scale

1	Air-snapped at – no skin contact by teeth
2	Bit; made skin contact but no broken skin other than slight skin nicks.
3	Bit; one to four puncture wounds from a single bite, no wound deeper than ½ the dog's canine teeth.
4	Bit; one to four puncture wounds from a single bite, but with at least one puncture wound deeper than ½ the length of the dog's canine teeth. There may also have been deep bruising around the wound (dog held on for x seconds and bore down) or lacerations in both directions (dog held on and shook its head from side to side).
5	Bit; multiple-bite incident with at least two B4 bites or multiple-attack incident with at least one B4 bite in each attack.
6	Bit; victim dead.

PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE **WORST BITE THAT YOUR DOG HAS INFLICTED ON A VICTIM**

Date of incident	
Location	
Identity of the people present	
Identity of the dogs present	
What was the situation BEFORE the first sign of trouble?	
What was the FIRST sign of trouble?	
What happened between the first sign of trouble and the bite?	
Who was the victim(s)?	
How many bites were inflicted on each victim?	
How serious was the worst bite in this incident? (See bite scale below)	
Where on the body was/were the bite(s)?	
Did you have to remove the biting dog from the victim, and if so, how was that done?	
What happened immediately AFTER the bite?	
Was medical or veterinary treatment necessary, and if so, what was it?	
If you paid for treatment, how large was the bill?	
Was the bite reported to the authorities and/or was legal action taken, and if so, what is the current status of that?	

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5	Bit; multiple-bite incident with at least two B4 bites or multiple-attack incident with at least one B4 bite in each attack.
6	Bit; victim dead.

PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE LATEST BITE THAT YOUR DOG INFLICTED ON A VICTIM

Date of incident	
Location	
Identity of the people present	
Identity of the dogs present	
What was the situation BEFORE the first sign of trouble?	
What was the FIRST sign of trouble?	
What happened between the first sign of trouble and the bite?	
Who was the victim(s)?	
How many bites were inflicted on each victim?	
How serious was the worst bite in this incident? (See bite scale below)	
Where on the body was/were the bite(s)?	
Did you have to remove the biting dog from the victim, and if so, how was that done?	
What happened immediately AFTER the bite?	
Was medical or veterinary treatment necessary, and if so, what was it?	
If you paid for treatment, how large was the bill?	
Was the bite reported to the authorities and/or was legal action taken, and if so, what is the current status of that?	

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5	Bit; multiple-bite incident with at least two B4 bites or multiple-attack incident with at least one B4 bite in each attack.
6	Bit; victim dead.

13. TIME LINE OF DEVELOPMENT

Please provide details of any of the following events that have occurred since you have had your dog:

Event	Year	Month	Details
The dog was purchased/adopted			
Training classes with dog			
Moved house			
Person moved into the home			
Person moved out of the home			
New housekeeper/pet sitter/gardener etc.			
New baby in home			
Family member taken ill / in hospital			
Family member passed away			
New pet in home			
Other pet in home taken ill			
Other pet rehomed or passed away			
Change in owner's work schedule			
Change in type or amount of exercise			
Less time spent with dog			
Recent vacation / travel / dog show / other event			
Other environmental change (e.g. home renovation)			
Veterinary treatment or surgery			
New medication for dog			
Vaccination for dog			
Change in diet / new treats			
Use of physical corrections of dog			
New training equipment			
Sent dog away for training			
Dog was attacked by other dog / animal / person			
Dog bit other dog / animal / person			
Other			

SUMMARY

Please indicate which of the following statements best describes your feelings about your dog's behaviour issue(s)?

	The problem is not serious, but I am curious about what you would suggest.
	I would like to change the problem, but it is not that serious.
	The problem is somewhat serious. I would like to change it, but if it remains unchanged we will live with it.
	The problem is very serious. I would like to change it, but if it remains unchanged I will keep the dog.
	The problem is extremely serious. I would like to change it. If it remains unchanged, I will give up the dog or have him/her euthanized.
	Other:

Is there anything we have not asked about that you think that we should know?

PLEASE LIST THREE THINGS THAT YOU REALLY LOVE ABOUT YOUR DOG:

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In order of priority, which aspects of your dog's behaviour and training issues would you like help with, and what would you like to be the goal for our work together?

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Signature	Today's Date
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Thank you for completing this form!
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