

CANINE AGGRESSION SCREEN

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This screen can be used in three ways: (1) to note the presence or absence, at any time, of any of the behaviors; (2) to log the baseline behavior, noting how many times the behavior occurs, given the number of times it is attempted, per unit time (i.e., per week); and (3) to log frequencies of the occurring behaviors, given the number of times the circum-

stance has been encountered, during treatment so that these numbers can be compared with (2). Note if the reaction is consistent in style or is directed toward only one person or is present in only one restricted circumstance. If this screen is being used as a client log, the circumstances must be evaluated for all people to whom the dog reacts. For any use, it is worth noting whether the dog is subjectively becoming more or less intense (or harder or easier to interrupt) in its behavior (>I [intensity], <I, relatively). If this screen is being used only for the initial consultation, note whether the dog has been worsening in intensity or frequency in any category. Interpretation of this screen is found in Chapter 6.

	NR	SL	BG	SB	NA
1. Take dog's food dish with food					
2. Take dog's empty food dish					
3. Take dog's water dish					
4. Take food (human) that falls on floor					
5. Take rawhide					
6. Take real bone					
7. Take biscuit					
8. Take toy					
9. Human approaches dog while eating					
10. Dog approaches dog while eating					
11. Human approaches dog while playing with toys					
12. Dog approaches dog while playing with toys					
13. Human approaches/disturbs dog while sleeping					
14. Dog approaches/disturbs dog while sleeping					
15. Step over dog					
16. Push dog off bed/couch					
17. Reach toward dog					
18. Reach over head					
19. Put on leash					
20. Human pushes on shoulders					
21. Dog mounts, pushes on shoulders					
22. Human pushes on rump					
23. Dog mounts, pushes on rump					
24. Towel feet when wet					
25. Bathe dog					

	NR	SL	BG	SB	NA
26. Groom dog's head					
27. Groom dog's body					
28. Human stares at dog					
29. Dog stares at dog					
30. Take muzzle in hands and shake					
31. Push dog over onto back					
32. Stranger knocks on door					
33. Stranger enters room					
34. Dog in car at toll booth					
35. Dog in car at gas station					
36. Dog on leash approached by dog on street					
37. Dog on leash approached by person on street					
38. Dog in yard—person passes					
39. Dog in yard—dog passes					
40. Dog in veterinarian's office					
41. Dog in boarding kennel					
42. Dog at groomer					
43. Dog yelled at					
44. Dog corrected with leash					
45. Dog physically punished—hit					
46. Someone raises voice to client in presence of dog					
47. Someone hugs/touches client in presence of dog					
48. Squirrels, cats, small animals approach dog					
49. Bicycles, skateboards nearby					
50. Crying infant					
51. Playing with 2-year-old children					
52. Playing with 5- to 7-year-old children					
53. Playing with 8- to 11-year-old children					
54. Playing with 12- to 16-year-old children					

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