

Date PJ or Sandy approved for workshop attendance: _____

Behavioural History & Information Form - Please complete this cover sheet and all following pages.

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Payment must be submitted with the completed application for seminar participation. I understand that completion and submission of this form with payment, and with approval of the instructors, is a commitment to this time slot. There is no refund at that point. If I am unable to attend, I will receive a credit toward an approved Best Paw Forward group, private session or seminar starting in the next 60 days after payment or after the original seminar date. (There is no requirement for advance payment for private classes held at the training center.)

Private Class Time & Date _____ OR Seminar/Workshop Date _____

Owner's/Handler's Name or Names – write below:

(handlers and observers under age 18 require special permission to attend)

Owner's Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Home (Days or Nights?) _____ Work (Days or Nights?) _____ Cellular Phone _____

Dog's Name _____ Dog's Date of Birth or Age _____

Breed: _____ Male or Female: _____

Color: _____ E-mail address: _____

Spayed/Neutered? _____ Veterinarian's Name _____

Yes No Age when altered: _____

WAIVER

I hereby waive and release Best Paw Forward Inc., its employees, officers, members and agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer from the action of any dog including my own. I expressly assume the risk of such damage or injury while attending any training sessions, or any other function, or while on the Best Paw Forward Inc. training grounds or in the surrounding area. All video and photo rights are reserved to Best Paw Forward Inc. I understand that classes/seminars may be photographed and or recorded from time to time, and **that no refund is available once I receive the printed class or seminar materials.**

Signature of Owners or Authorized Agents (parent or legal guardian must sign for a minor)

Date _____

___ THIS SECTION FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE ___

Amount _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Shots: (Initial, last date received) _____

MasterCard/VISA _____ Exp. Date _____ Security Code _____

Date paid _____

Staff member taking payment _____

Circle, mark or underline answers where multiple choices are provided. Changing the color is not sufficient since we print out your answers in gray-scale.

We appreciate the time and effort you put into completing this long list of questions, and we will put the same time and effort into studying your answers.

It is important that all questions be answered. Of course if your dog only has one issue rather than three you do not need to address questions 16-33.

- 1. Where did you get this dog?
Breeder Rescue Group Shelter
Friend Pet Store Newspaper
Other

Behavior Issue #1:

- 2. If a rescue, why was the dog originally given up?

- 9. Chief Issue for consultation:

- 3. How long has this dog lived with you?

- 10. How frequent is this behavior:

Daily Weekly Monthly Other

- 4. How old was the dog when you first got it?

- 11. How often does the behavior occur when the dog is in the specific situation (i.e. does the jumping dog jump on all people, some people, or only at certain times)

Always Sometimes Seldom Unpredictable

- 5. Reason for getting this dog:

- 12. When did the behavior start?

- 6. On the back of this form or on an additional page describe a typical day in your dog's life.

- 13. Has the behavior intensified or increased in frequency since it started?

- 7. What type of leash do you use to walk your dog?

- 14. If so, how and when?

nylon extending line leather
cotton chain no leash

- 15. Have you sought medical attention for this issue? When and what was the result?

- 8. What type of collar or harness do you use to walk your dog?

snap or buckle collar harness
anti-pull harness head collar
choke collar limited choke collar

- 16. Do littermates and/or housemates engage in this behavior?

- 17. What specifically has been done to correct or extinguish the behavior?

Behavior Issue #2:

18. Behavior Issue:

19. How frequent is this behavior:

Daily Weekly Monthly Other

20. How often does the behavior occur when the dog is in the specific situation (i.e. does the jumping dog jump on all people, some people, or only at certain times)

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21. When did the behavior start?

22. Has the behavior intensified or increased in frequency since it started?

23. If so, how and when?

24. Have you sought medical attention for this issue? When and what was the result?

25. Do littermates and/or housemates engage in this behavior?

26. What specifically has been done to correct or extinguish the behavior?

Behavior Issue #3:

27. Behavior Issue:

28. How frequent is this behavior?

Daily Weekly Monthly Other

29. How often does the behavior occur when the dog is in the specific situation (i.e. does the jumping dog jump on all people, some people, or only at certain times)

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30. When did the behavior start?

31. Has the behavior intensified or increased in frequency since it started?

32. If so, how and when?

33. Have you sought medical attention for this issue? When and what was the result?

34. Do littermates and/or housemates engage in this behavior?

35. What specifically has been done to correct or extinguish the behavior?

General Pet Information

36. Where do you leave your dog when you are at work, shopping or out for an evening?
37. When you are home?
38. What is the longest period of time your dog spends alone?
39. How many times a day does someone play games with the dog?
40. What games are played and how long is each play session?
41. How many times a day do you engage the dog in a training session? How long is each session?
42. How many walks does your pet take each day
For eliminating?
For exercise?
43. How many people play with or train the dog each day?

Who?
44. Where is your dog when you are at home watching television?
45. Where is your dog when you are having dinner?
46. Where does your dog sleep at night?
47. Does he sleep through the night or is he restless?
48. Do you trust your dog loose indoors, unsupervised? If no, why not?
49. What methods were used to house-train your dog? Does he ever have any house-training accidents? Does he "mark" in the house by urinating or defecating?
50. How does your dog tell you he needs to go outside or to a indoor potty area to urinate or defecate?
51. Does your dog growl, bark, whine or snarl? When?
52. Have you ever used a crate for your dog? When & why or why not?
53. Do you trust your dog outside unsupervised? If no, why not?
54. What type of indoor confinement do you have available if you are not using a crate?
55. If you have a fence what type is it?
- | | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Wood | Chain Link |
| Electric Collar | Other |

56. Does your dog exhibit mounting behaviors?

57. If so, does he mount other dogs, people, and/or inanimate objects? Please specify.

H o u s e h o l d I n f o r m a t i o n

58. What types of animals has your dog lived with? (Please include sex, species, spayed/neutered, etc.)

59. Please describe how they got along.

60. Does your dog: ignore, play with, or exhibit bossy behavior with other pets?

61. Does your dog spend time unsupervised with these pets?

62. What types of animals has your dog visited/played with?

63. Does your dog act aggressive or timid with other dogs?

64. Does your dog act aggressive or timid with other animals?

65. When is your dog not good with other animals?

66. What are your dog's shining qualities?

67. How would you describe your dog's personality?

68. List 5 things that your dog loves to eat.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

69. List 5 activities that your dog loves.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

70. Please describe what daily exercise your dog gets.

71. Has your dog received obedience or other training? Private or group class? Where?

72. If yes, for how long and what training methods were used.

73. What commands does your dog know?

74. How often do you and how does your dog act when you:

Bathe your dog?

Trim nails?

Take him to a groomer?

75. Does your dog travel well in the car?

76. Where does your dog stay when you go on vacation?

77. Is there anything else you would like to say about your dog?

C h i l d r e n

78. Has your dog lived with children? What ages?

79. Has your dog visited with children? What ages?

80. Is there a time when your dog is not good with children?

81. Would you say with children he is:

playful friendly tolerant afraid
shy rough not around children

82. Any comments about your dog with children?

H e a l t h

83. Has your dog been vaccinated within the last year?

84. Which vaccinations has he had?

85. Does your dog have a current rabies vaccination?

86. Is your dog receiving any form of flea control? What kind?

87. Is your dog on heartworm preventative? What kind?

88. Does your dog have any illnesses, health conditions or allergies? Please specify.

89. Is your dog taking any medications or has he recently been on any? Which ones?

90. Has the dog been checked for hip dysplasia or other breed specific medical issues?

91. What type and brand of dog food do you feed your dog? How much and when? How long is the food bowl left out while it contains food?

92. What is your dog's favorite treat?

93. What type of flea and tick control do you use? How often?

94. Have your dog's sleeping or eating habits changed?

Dog/People Social Skills

1. What is your dog's reaction to visitors at the door?

2. Does he react to doorbells (and doorbells on TV)? If so, how?

3. How long does it take him to calm down when someone comes to the house?

4. Does your dog mouth anyone or anything?

5. Is he better or worse with particular people or children?

6. Has your dog done anything for which you have had to physically discipline him?

7. Does he chase?: adults kids
squirrels cats bicycles other

8. Is your dog protective of his?:

food home yard family

bed car toys

How does he exhibit this?

9. How does your dog react while on leash around?

People:

Dogs

Other animals (squirrels, cats, livestock)

10. How does your dog react while off leash around

People?

Dogs?

Other animals (squirrels, cats, livestock)

Feeding/Chew Toys

11. Have you ever petted or approached your dog while he is eating? If yes, what is the response?

12. Can you safely remove the food bowl from the dog when he is eating? If not, what is your dog's reaction?

13. Can you safely put your hand in your dog's dish while he is eating? If not, what is your dog's reaction?

14. Can you take trash or food out of your dog's mouth if he has something you don't want him to have? If you cannot, what is his reaction?

15. Can anyone else safely do this? Who?

16. How do you retrieve objects/toys that your dog has in his mouth?

17. Are there any toys/objects your dog will not give up to you without showing signs of displeasure?

18. Are there any activities your dog will not allow you to perform (nail cutting, grooming, examinations) without showing signs of displeasure?

19. Are there any parts of your dog's body he does not like having touched?

20. How does your dog show/tell you he doesn't like any of these activities (i.e. bares teeth, snarls, growls, snaps, bites). Please be as specific as possible.

21. How many times can you remember your dog nipping or snapping at people? Please explain the circumstance of any nips or snaps.
Accidental? Why?
Deliberate? Why?
The dog's fault? Why?
Not the dog's fault? Why?

22. How many times can you remember your dog biting hard enough to draw blood from people? Please explain the circumstances of each bite that caused a mark but did not require medical attention.

23. Has he ever caused an injury to a person that required medical attention? If yes, please explain circumstances of all bites and note severity of injury. Use back of form or another page if necessary.

24. Do you, the groomer, or the veterinary staff need to use a muzzle to groom or handle your dog?

32. Was he ever attacked by or injured by another dog?

If yes, please explain circumstances.

Dog/Animal Social Skills

25. Has your dog bitten and drawn blood on another dog or animal?

26. If yes, please explain circumstances of each bite and animal on which it occurred.

27. How many times can you remember your dog drawing blood from other animals?

28. Has he ever caused an injury to an animal that required medical attention?

29. If yes, please explain circumstances of bite, type of animal and note severity of injury. Use back of form or additional sheet of paper if necessary.

30. Has your dog ever killed a cat or any other animal?

31. If yes, please explain circumstances.

Remove this page and keep it for reference.

For a private class or workshop with any dog with social issues, please withhold food for 24 hours before we meet. Of course your pet may have all the water he likes. Bring great soft treats that are easily broken into small pieces such as boneless chicken, hot dogs and cheese (no dog treats).

For dogs on restricted diets, cook up the main protein source in his food for extra yummy treats which may be mixed with some of his dog food. In other words, if he is on a chicken-based diet bring some boneless chicken breast.

If your dog has any medical condition that requires regular meals or is on medication that requires administering with food, cut the amount of food down to miniscule portions (from 1/10 to ¼ of his regular size meal) on the day before his class. Free feeding your dog (leaving food down all the time) is not recommended for health and behavioral reasons, especially for dogs with social issues.

You must bring your dog on equipment that will control him physically. For dogs with social issues, a **Gentle Leader** with a buckle-type fastener and **leather leash** of appropriate weight (5/8" wide for most medium to large dogs) are required. If available, also bring a **soft fabric muzzle**. Dogs that require other equipment, such as breeds with short muzzles, may attend on very **snug-fitting nylon limited slip collars**.

Leashes and Gentle Leaders are available for purchase here at the training center. You are not required to purchase your training equipment here but our prices are very competitive. For instance, our Gentle Leaders are priced at \$20.98 plus sales tax.

Some advance work on getting the dog used to a head collar will make your training experience much more pleasant. We have a hand-out to help you and your dog with the process.

If you have a Gentle Leader already, have the dog wear it into the center or bring it along so we can show you how to fit it properly. Make sure his current collar piece is tight enough and secure enough that it cannot come off unexpectedly.

Prong collars are prohibited for dogs offering aggressive displays. If you do not have access to the recommended equipment or if you are unsure about how to use it effectively, we can help you when you come in if you have trouble controlling your dog physically without a prong collar.

Your fee for private classes goes directly to your instructor, so we try to avoid charge card payments for those. Of course you may still use your Visa or MasterCard for purchases, workshops, group classes etc.