

# TIRR Rescue Adult Dog Socialization Checklist

## Gentle Handling

Head \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ears \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mouth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Neck Area \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Paws & Legs \_\_\_\_\_  
 Brush Down \_\_\_\_\_  
 Collar \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gentle Leader \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chest Harness \_\_\_\_\_  
 Car Harness \_\_\_\_\_

## Sounds

Thunderstorms \_\_\_\_\_  
 Crying Babies \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fireworks/Gunshots \_\_\_\_\_  
 Car Horns \_\_\_\_\_  
 Doorbells \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sirens \_\_\_\_\_  
 Barking Dogs \_\_\_\_\_

## Places

Vet's Office \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pet Stores \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non-Pet Stores (Lowe's/Etc) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parks \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Peoples' Houses \_\_\_\_\_  
 Beaches \_\_\_\_\_

## People

Children \_\_\_\_\_  
 Babies (0-2 Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Toddlers (2-6 Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Age (6-13 Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teenagers (13-17 Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Young Adults \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle-Aged Adults \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elderly People \_\_\_\_\_  
 Disabled People \_\_\_\_\_  
 People with Crutches \_\_\_\_\_  
 People in Wheelchairs \_\_\_\_\_  
 People with Prosthetics \_\_\_\_\_  
 People with Limps \_\_\_\_\_  
 Loud, Confident People \_\_\_\_\_  
 Shy, Timid People \_\_\_\_\_  
 People with Hats/Helmets \_\_\_\_\_  
 People with (Sun)Glasses \_\_\_\_\_  
 People with Facial Hair \_\_\_\_\_  
 People in Uniforms \_\_\_\_\_  
 Police \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fire \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMT \_\_\_\_\_  
 Post \_\_\_\_\_  
 Military \_\_\_\_\_

## Animals (NO Aggressive Animals)

Puppies \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adult Dogs \_\_\_\_\_  
 Small \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
 Large \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cats \_\_\_\_\_  
 Small Critters (Chickens/Etc) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Horses/Cows \_\_\_\_\_  
 Goats/Sheep \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fish in Tanks \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fish in Ponds \_\_\_\_\_

## Objects/Situations

Watching Traffic \_\_\_\_\_  
 Car Ride \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bicycles/Motorbikes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Buses \_\_\_\_\_  
 Trains \_\_\_\_\_  
 Crowds \_\_\_\_\_  
 Diesel Engines \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boats \_\_\_\_\_  
 Skis \_\_\_\_\_  
 Jet Skis \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children Playing \_\_\_\_\_  
 People Dancing \_\_\_\_\_

\*Remember, if you are ever uncomfortable introducing a dog to a new person/place/thing/situation, don't do it! It is better to not try to socialize them than for something bad to happen.

\*\*NEVER walk a TIRR Dog off leash!

\*\*\*This checklist is only meant for inspiration. Do not feel like you must complete every item on the list. In fact, with some of our dogs you may not be able to or won't need to.