

Canine Aggression Research Interview
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Owner Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____
Primary Phone: _____ Alternative phone: _____
Primary Email: _____ Alternative email: _____

1) Describe your dog.

Name: _____ Age: _____
Sex: _____ Spayed/Neutered? _____
Breed: _____ Color: _____
Size (Weight or height—Approx okay): _____
Other physical characteristics: _____

2) Does your dog have any health concerns? Yes No
If yes, what are they?

3) Is your dog on medications for any condition not believed to be related to the aggression? Yes No
What is the medication and its purpose? _____

4) Describe what the behaviors dog does when he is aggressive. (Barking, growling, lunging, etc.)

5) Has your dog bitten anyone? Yes / No
a. How much damage did the bite cause?
b. What circumstances surrounded the bite?

6) Who is the object of your dog's aggression? (Adults, teenagers, children, dogs, specific individual, object, other)

7) In what environments does this behavior occur? (Home, agility class, park, neighborhood sidewalk, back yard, etc.)

8) What concurrent activities are taking place when the aggressive behavior happens? (Dinner time, owner arrives at home, someone answers the door, etc.)

9) Can you think of anything else related to when he is aggressive? (e.g. While he's wearing a leash but not when he is not wearing one? When a certain person is around even though the aggression is not directed at him/her? Other?)

10) Are there any situations where and when the dog is not aggressive? What are they?

- 11) What do you or other family members do when your dog performs aggressive behaviors?
- a. How does the dog respond when this happens?
- 12) How long has the behavior been going on?
- a. How and when did it start?
- 13) Treatment history:
- a. How many trainers, if any, have you worked with for the aggression?
 - i. What was the professional title of the trainer, if any and if known? (Behavior consultant, trainer, etc.)
 1. Are you aware of any education or certifications this person held related to training dogs or working with aggressive animals? What were they?
 - ii. When did you work with [him/her/them]?
 - iii. What did they do or recommend that you do with your dog?
 - iv. What is your evaluation of the outcome?
- 14) Has your dog been under a veterinarian's care or treatment for aggression? Yes / No
- a. Has the dog been on medication for aggression? Yes / No
 - i. What medication?
 - ii. When and for how long was s/he on it?
 - iii. What is your evaluation of the outcome?
 - b. Did the veterinarian prescribe non-medical treatment for aggression? Yes / No
 - i. Did you follow the recommendation?
 - ii. What did it involve?
 - iii. What is your evaluation of the outcome?
- 15) What kind(s) of handling gear do you use with your dog? (Leashes, flat collar, slip or choke collar or chain, electronic collar, body harness, head halter, other)
- 16) Has anyone recommended euthanasia for your dog because of his/her aggression, or have you considered it on your own? Yes / No
- a. Was that person a family member, friend, veterinarian, trainer, yourself or other?
 - b. If they provided a reason for the recommendation, what was it?
 - c. Why didn't you do it?
- 17) Has anyone recommended rehoming your dog because of his/her aggression, or have you considered it on your own? Yes / No
- a. Was that person a family member, friend, veterinarian, trainer, yourself or other?

- b. If they provided a reason for the recommendation, what was it?
 - c. Why didn't you do it?
- 18) What does your dog do that you value? (Tricks, canine sports, companion, etc.)
Why do you value him?
- 19) Do you feel that your dog's aggression limits your life? How?
- 20) List all the things you would do with your dog if he didn't have aggression.