

Resource Guarding Questionnaire

Instructions: Please fill out this form as thoroughly as possible. Then use the Print to PDF feature to save your answers and email the completed form.

Note: Please complete the New Client Intake Form in addition to this form. This questionnaire will help me better understand your dog, your situation, and develop a behavior modification program that will improve your dog's behavior.

Overview

Before you acquired your dog, did he/she have a history of resource guarding or any kind of aggressive tendencies? _____

Age of your dog when behavior began: _____

Why does this behavior concern you enough to contact a dog trainer?

Has your dog ever attended any kind of dog day care? If so, which one?

Has your dog ever seen another trainer for this behavior? If so, who?

Are any members of your household concerned about this behavior?

Are any members of your household expecting to bring home a new baby or new dog anytime in the next 12 months?

Attempted Solutions

What have you tried to change your dog's behavior?

Behavior Assessment

Check off which behaviors your dog has displayed while guarding food or an object from a person or another animal:

- Stiffness throughout his body while hovering over the object in his possession
- Stillness while staring at you, your hand, or the object in his possession
- Trying to gulp down the food or toy in his possession
- Low rumbling growl
- Moving the object away from you
- Exposing teeth and/or snarling
- Snapping at you or another dog
- Touched your skin with his/her teeth
- Bite with light bruising
- Bite with tearing of the skin
- Bite with puncture
- Multiple bites

Has your dog ever bitten another dog while resource guarding? Yes No

Has your dog ever bitten a person while resource guarding? Yes No

At what distance does your dog typically start guarding something?

What actions typically worsen your dog's guarding behavior?

Type of Resource Guarding

What kinds of food does your dog guard?

What kinds of toys does your dog guard?

What kinds of clothing does your dog guard?

What kinds of places or furniture does your dog guard?

Other situations or objects your dog guards:
