



HOW TO INTRODUCE DOGS TO NEW PEOPLE

Follow these tips on how to introduce your new dog to your friends and extended family. You always want to work slowly and be patient.

Preparation:

- 🐾 Instruct your guest to call or text you before they knock or ring your doorbell.
- 🐾 Have treats ready to deliver to your pet.
- 🐾 Your dog should be on a leash so they're not able to jump on your guests. You can also put them behind a baby gate.

Greeting your guest:

- 🐾 Allow your guest to enter your home.
- 🐾 If your dog is too excited, instruct your guest to ignore them until your dog is calm.
- 🐾 If your dog is calm, allow the dog to go up to them for interaction.
- 🐾 If your dog is fearful, instruct your guests to toss treats and not to make eye contact. This will allow your dog to take a treat and examine the person without the "threat" of them being watched.

Tips:

- 🐾 Allowing your dog to greet your guest when they're ready is always best.
- 🐾 Have your guests sit to prevent the appearance of looming and discourage fast movements.
- 🐾 Make sure guests are not surrounding or overwhelming your pet.
- 🐾 Ensure the safety of your guest if your dog is behaving aggressively toward them.

Every dog will react differently to guests and new friends. Preparation and patience can make a big difference.