

3-3-3 RULE FOR ADOPTING A NEW DOG

The rule of 3 applies to most if not all dogs. Depending on the dog the behaviors may manifest in slightly different ways. Some dogs are extremely confident and adaptable, others are nervous and unsure.

This is a guide as to what to expect from your new family member.

3 DAYS



During the first 3 days your new family member may feel overwhelmed, scared and anxious. This is not uncommon behaviour, for him life just changed drastically. He is suddenly in a new environment, with new sights, sounds and smells. There are new people and maybe other animals. You may find that your new family member does not eat, or is reluctant to come to you when you call him. Don't worry, give him some space and time to adjust to his new surroundings.

3 WEEKS



After 3 weeks your new companion will be starting to feel at home. He will be getting use to the way the house works, the new noises the smells etc. You will start to see more of his personality.

3 MONTHS



After 3 months your dog is finally feeling at home. He understands the routine, he knows where he sleeps and where his food bowls is. He is now relaxing and beginning to trust.



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