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FIRST SESSION INSTRUCTIONS

Welcome Pet Parents,

Thank you for choosing your behavior specialty services offered by GrumpyPuppy.net. We are committed to providing your canine the best possible care, and to help achieve this, we request that the following information be emailed to us from your primary care veterinarian at least 24 hours prior to your appointment:

- Medical history for the last year
- Vaccination records- all pets **must have proof of current rabies** vaccination prior to the consultation.
- Lab work results (we recommend a CBC, serum chemistry panel, urinalysis and thyroid be performed within the last year)
- **The completed behavior questionnaire** (see link below)

* *Please also read the new client welcome letter below for more information on what to expect during your pet's consultation.*

This information will help us to plan for your dogs' first in person consultation in order to maximize your pet's comfort and safety while minimizing any undue stress. It will aid us to focus on the progression of the problem and provide details of previous management and treatment and your dog's response to these.

Please send your information to email to Tony@GrumpyPuppy.net

Additional Instructions:

· We request a video of the behavior of concern if you are able to do so safely without triggering any aggressive behavior. We do not want you, your dog or anyone else injured while making the video. Even if you are unable to get the behavior in question on the video, watching the dog's body language in its own environment can be very helpful. For cases of dogs fighting in the home, we request video of the dogs in the living space with family members present, and while away from the family members, such as in a backyard while recording through a window. Again, please only pursue collecting video if it can be done safely without triggering aggression. Cell phone videos are acceptable.

· We request that all family members involved with the pet attend the consultation if possible. Children under the age of 5 do not have to attend. If they are involved with the problem behavior, video can be made as instructed above.

· Please bring with you to the consult your pet's favorite treats, toys and all training tools you are currently using or have used in the past (leash, collars, etc.).

What You Can Expect if asked to see a Veterinarian Behaviorist:

During the consultation, your veterinarian will discuss additional history regarding the problems your dog is experiencing, go through a behavior/personality profile and further investigate any pertinent medical problems or history that may be linked to the behavior problem. Our behavior support staff will also be involved by recording observations of your dog, getting to know your

dog and begin working with your dog with some of the aspects expected to be part of the treatment plan. A thorough discussion of your dog's diagnosis,

prognosis, and treatment options will be included as well as a step by step explanation and demonstration of the treatment plan including management, behavior modification and medication therapy. Factors such as cost of the visits, treatments, and time spent on appointments can be a surprise to someone who is not familiar with a veterinary behavior specialist. You should plan on the first consultation to last approximately 2 hours. Most pets require one to two subsequent visits at 4-6 week intervals. These subsequent visits are usually around 1 hour in length. The total lengths of the consults might vary based on the complexity of your pet's problem. Consultations are charged based on an hourly rate of ~\$160.00 per hour. This does not include medications or supplies that may be prescribed as part of your pet's treatment plan. The associated costs for these will be discussed prior to pursuing these services. Additional medical workup and/or labwork might be recommended with your primary care veterinarian depending on your pet's diagnosis. It is difficult to predict cost of medications dispensed as this varies with the diagnosis and the size of the pet. Labwork or additional diagnostics if needed often average \$180- \$250. Should you need to cancel or reschedule an appointment, we ask that you let us know at least 48 hours in advance in order for us to fill the appointment with pets from our waiting list. Any no-show, cancellation or reschedule request made less than 48 hours prior to the scheduled consultation will result in a \$90. If you are concerned about your pet's behavior (or potential behavior) in the lobby, please check in at the front desk and leave your pet in the car. Our behavior staff will escort you and your pet from the car to the consultation room. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions regarding your appointment. We look forward to meeting you and your pet! Sincerely,

-Tony Nila CPDT, Canine Behavior



**CANINE
BEHAVIOR HISTORY FORM**

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Owner:
Patient:
Address:
Phone:
Email:

Veterinarian:
Clinic:
Phone:
Fax:
Email:

Household: #adults (>18 yrs): _____ #children: _____ ages: _____
#dogs (including patient): _____

Who is the primary caretaker of the dog:

- Husband Child N/A
 Wife Other

	NAME	BREED	SEX	AGE (yrs)	RANK
PATIENT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
DOG 2	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
DOG 3	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
DOG 4	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Patient Information:

Weight (lb): _____ Body condition: Thin 1 2 3 4 5 Obese

Age neutered: _____ yrs _____ mths • Unknown

Current medical problem(s): _____

Current medication: _____ Dose and frequency: _____
_____ Dose and frequency: _____

Current supplements: _____ Dose and frequency: _____

Origin:

- Own breeding Private home Humane society
 Breeder Pet shop Stray

- Other
- Don't know

Age obtained: _____(yrs) _____(mths)

• Unknown

If obtained as a puppy, how was the puppy raised:

- In house
- In kennel/garage
- Loose outside
- Puppy mill
- Other
- Don't know
- N/A

If obtained as a puppy, how did you select that particular puppy from the litter:

- Breeder selected
- No choice
- Most outgoing
- Most timid
- Biggest/dominant
- Smallest/submissive
- Looks
- Other _____
- N/A

If previously owned, for what primary purpose was the dog kept:

- Adult's pet
- Family pet
- Children's pet
- Show dog
- Breeding
- Watch/guard dog
- Farm/outside dog
- Obedience
- Service/working dog
- Hunting dog
- Research/teaching
- Other _____
- Don't know
- N/A

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- Other _____

Average #hrs dog is left alone per weekday: _____

Schedule on weekdays

- Is consistent
- Varies

Where is the dog when left alone:

- Cage
- Confined in a room
- Loose in living area
- Basement
- Garage
- Outside kennel
- Outside tied
- Loose in yard
- Other _____
- N/A

Where is the dog at night:

- Cage
- Confined in a room
- Loose in living area
- Basement
- Garage
- Bedroom
- On person's bed
- Outside
- Other _____

Exercise (walks):

- | | | | | | |
|---|------------|---|-----------|---|---------|
| 0 | <1/week | 2 | once/day | 4 | 3x/day |
| 1 | several/wk | 3 | twice/day | 5 | >3x/day |

Exercise schedule

- is consistent
- varies during week

Average hours of walking exercise per weekday: _____

Dog is walked on:

- Off leash
- Harness
- Flat collar
- Head Halter
- Choke chain
- Pinch collar
- Martingale collar
- Other

Reason:

Training:

- Dog has been crate trained
- Attended puppy classes (<4 mos age)
- Dog is a trained service dog
- Dog has attended obedience classes
- Dog has been shown in trials
- Dog is trained for other work

Dog's behavior in crate:

- Willingly enters and rests quietly
- Avoids going into crate
- Destructive in crate
- Vocalizes excessively in crate
- Aggressive when putting in crate
- Other

At what age did puppy/obedience classes start: _____ yrs _____ mths • don't know

Name of trainer/ facility: _____

- Level of training:
- 1 basic (come, sit, down, heel on leash)
 - 2 average (above plus heel off leash, stay)
 - 3 advanced

Performance of dog in class/training situation: • Don't know/N/A
 1 poor 2 fair 3 good 4 excellent

Performance elsewhere: • N/A
 1 poor 2 fair 3 good 4 excellent

Training aids:

- body harness
- flat collar
- head halter
- choke chain
- pinch collar
- shock collar
- treats
- clicker
- off leash only

Reason:

Type of discipline:

- none ever
- response substitution
- redirect
- distracting
- verbal reprimand
- startling
- physical punishment
- shock
- time out
- shake down
- roll over
- water
- other _____
- Neutral

Behavior at your veterinarian's office:

- Happy to greet everyone, friendly
- Cowers, fearful
- Struggles to get away/ escape
- Aggressive with restraint
- Aggressive as soon as approached

Diet:	%	Brand/type (optional)
Dry	_____	_____
Canned	_____	_____

table food	_____	_____
special meal	_____	_____

Feeding schedule:

1 1x/ day 3 > 2x/day

2 2x/ day 4 ad lib

Feeding schedule

is consistent varies

Food treats Type: _____ Contingent on behavior: • yes • no

Does your dog guard any food, treats, toys or other items? Yes ___ No ___

If so, please list: _____

Who does your dog guard these from? (people, dogs, etc.) _____

How would you generally describe your dog's personality:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly to owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Shy of strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Fearful (environment) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aloof | <input type="checkbox"/> Happy, outgoing | <input type="checkbox"/> Fear of noises |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive to owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Inhibited | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly to strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Anxious | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aloof to strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Hyper-excitable | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive to strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Super-submissive | |

Comments: _____

What was the personality of the dog as a puppy:

- | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly to owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Aloof | <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive to owner |
|--|--------------------------------|--|

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive to strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Anxious | <input type="checkbox"/> Fear of noises |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shy of strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Hyper-excitabile | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know |

Comments: _____

Does your dog regularly (at least weekly) engage in the following:

	No	When owner present (times/week)	Only in owner's absence (times/week)	D/know
Excessive barking, whining	•	• (_____)	• (_____)	•
House soiling	•	• (_____)	• (_____)	•
Destructive chewing	•	• (_____)	• (_____)	•
Self licking/chewing	•	• (_____)	• (_____)	•
Digging	•	• (_____)	• (_____)	•
Pacing, repetitive behavior	•	• (_____)	• (_____)	•

Has your dog ever bitten a person? Yes ___ No ___

If so, who _____ What part of body _____

Did it break skin _____ Severity of injury _____

Trigger: _____

Has your dog ever bitten another dog? Yes ___ No ___

If so, who _____ What part of body _____

Did it break skin _____ Severity of injury _____

Trigger: _____

Has your dog ever bitten any other animal? Yes ___ No ___

If so, what _____ What part of body _____

Did it break skin _____ Severity of injury _____

Trigger: _____

Problem history: Problem # 3

What happens? Where does it happen? Who is present? What triggers the incident? How does the dog behave before (body language!) and afterwards? How do people react?

Problem history: Problem # 4

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