

DO's and **DONT's** of DOGS

Don't stare at a dog

Don't hug, sit, stand or lie on dogs

Don't pull a dog's tail or ears or poke their eyes

Don't shout, scream, run or make fast movements around dogs

Don't tease dogs with food and toys, by poking and prodding them or by barking at them

Don't touch a dog while they are eating or sleeping

Don't try to move a dog off of furniture

Don't try to take toys or food off a dog

Don't approach dogs that are tied up or in a corner

Don't go into a dog's bed or crate

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Do always ask the dog whether they want to play with you

Do ask the dog if they want fusses from you

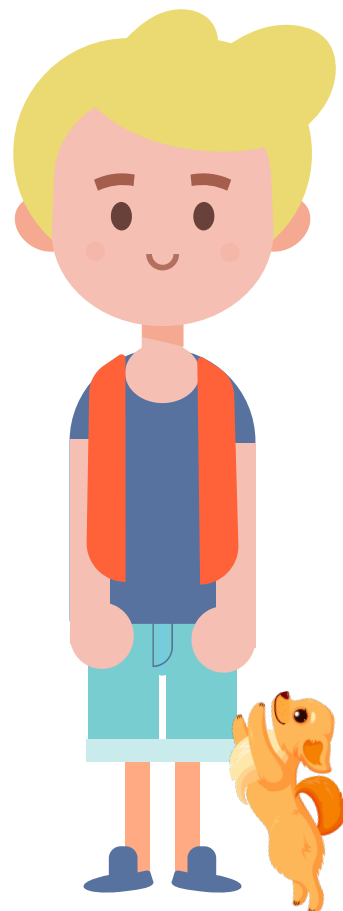
Do always ask an adult to move the dog for you

Do always call an adult if a dog has stolen a toy

Do talk gently to dogs

BE A STATUE if a dog is jumping up at or barking you

- **KEEP CALM**
- **PUT YOUR ARMS TO YOUR SIDES**
- **FEET TOGETHER**
- **BE STILL AND QUIET**
- **LOOK AWAY FROM THE DOG**
- **WAIT UNTIL THE DOG LOSES INTEREST AND MOVES AWAY**

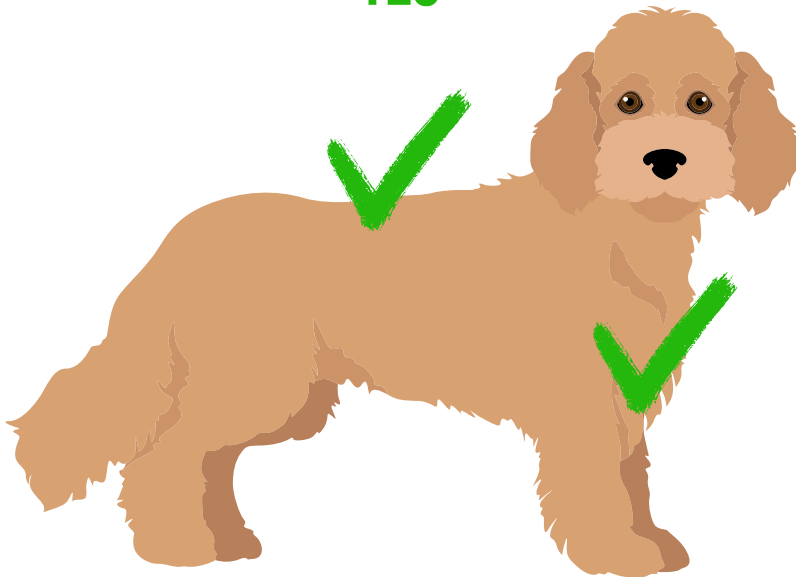


WHERE TO STROKE A DOG

When giving strokes and scratches to a dog count to three in your head then stop to see if the dog wants you to continue

If they are enjoying the fuss, they will ask you to carry on!

YES



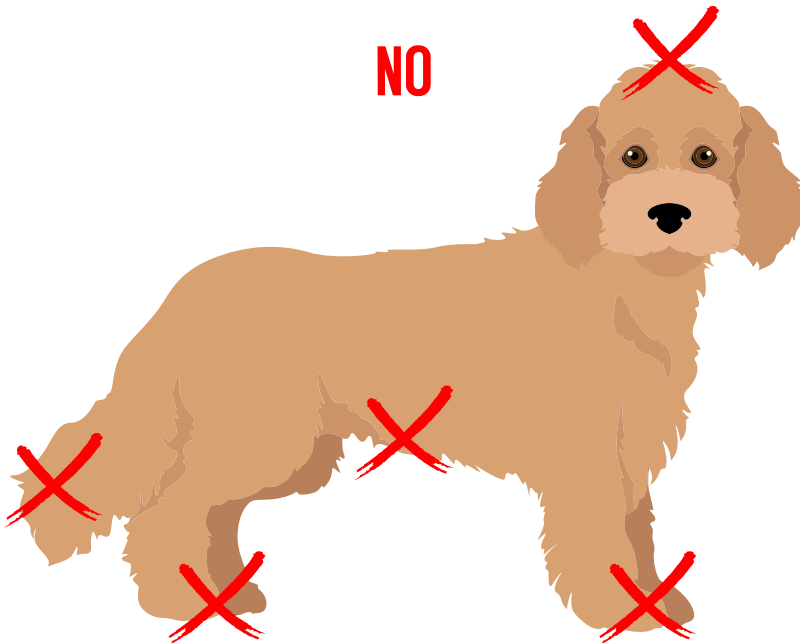
Back and Shoulders

Most dogs enjoy gentle smoothing down their back and scratches between their shoulder blades

Chest and Chin

This is a favourite spot for lots of dogs to get gentle scratches and strokes

NO



Head

Most dogs do not like to be patted or touched on their head, it can be scary to them

Tail

No dogs like to have their tails touched

Legs and Paws

Lots of dogs are very sensitive on their paws and legs, they do not enjoy being touched there

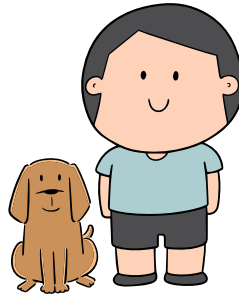
Tummy

Dog tummies are very sensitive and some dogs really do not enjoy their tummy being touched.

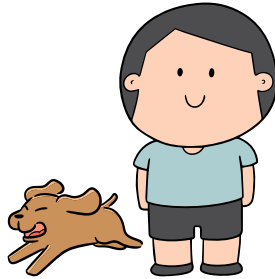
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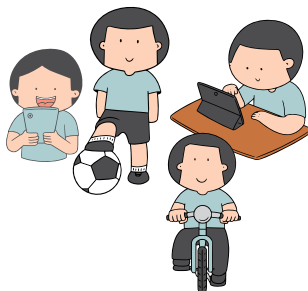
Stop to see if the dog wants you to continue



**Dog moves away,
they don't want more fusses**



**Dog stays with you,
they want you to carry on**



**Don't follow them,
do something else!**



**Keep on stroking but keep pausing
to make sure they want to continue**