



TIPS FOR BUILDING TRUST

Use Positive Reinforcement Training:

As a language of encouragement and love, this training reinforces the idea that good things happen when they interact with you.



Establish a Routine: Creating a structured daily routine, you help your dog understand what to expect and when, which signals reliability and stability.



Be Patient and Consistent: Consistency in your actions and reactions reinforces trust, as your dog learns they can rely on you no matter what.

Understand and Respect Their Body Language: Watch for subtle cues—a wagging tail, flattened ears, or a tense posture. Understand their emotions and respect their signals by responding accordingly.



Engage in Regular Exercise and Play: Activity releases pent-up energy and creates joyful memories.



Provide a Safe Space: Giving your dog this haven shows respect for their boundaries and demonstrates that their comfort matters to you.

Offer Mental Stimulation: Puzzle toys, scent games, or training new tricks engage their mind and keep boredom at bay.



Limit Exposure to Stressful Situations: Protecting them from stressful situations demonstrates your role as their guardian and shows your dog they're safe with you.



Attend Training Classes Together: The collaborative nature of training builds trust, as your dog learns to look to you for guidance.

Hand Feed Meals: This creates a positive association with your presence.



Provide Physical Affection When Appropriate: Gentle pets, ear scratches, or a soft cuddle (when they are ready) can reassure your dog that they are loved.



Spend Quality Quiet Time Together: Sitting together shows your dog that they don't always need to perform or interact to earn your love.