

The good behaviour guide

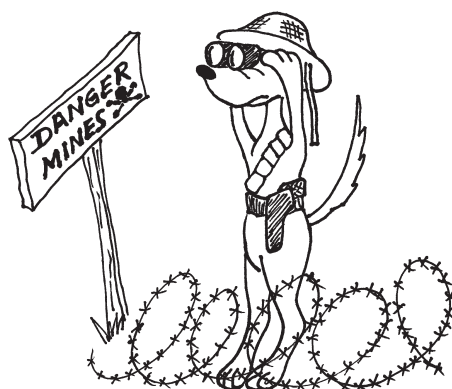
Dogs and children

Never leave dogs unattended with children. Dogs are predictable – if pushed too far over resources or are made to feel frightened they will react. Children are less predictable and can push dogs beyond reasonable limits of endurance. This, combined with a child's inability to recognise warning signals, can lead to disaster.

How can we do to prevent our dog becoming aggressive in territorial situations?

Good socialisation with people will reduce fear of visiting strangers. The advice for avoiding status-related problems will reduce the likelihood of your dog taking the initiative when people approach your home. (See page 14).

If your dog is aggressive in territorial situations, see Further Help on page 20.



RULES

1. Do not encourage your juvenile dog to bark.
2. Do not shout at your dog to stop him from barking at people outside your home if asking him to be quiet does not work.

BECAUSE

Barking develops naturally. If you encourage it, it can get out of control.

It may appear that you are barking as well and/or that the behaviour is rewarded by your attention.