

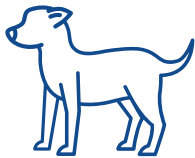
Talking Dog

Dogs communicate using body language more than they do vocally. Here's a quick guide to get a good idea of what your dog is telling you. Look at the whole of the dog: head, face, body and tail to get a more accurate idea of what the dog is saying.

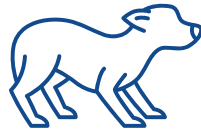


FEARFUL / ANXIOUS / STRESSED

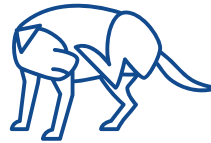
In all cases, respect the dogs need for space and offer signs of appeasement and peace.



SUSPICIOUS



SCARED



SCRATCHING (STRESSED)

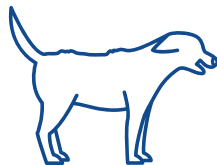
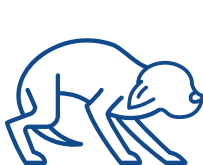


STRESSED



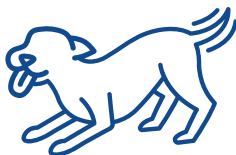
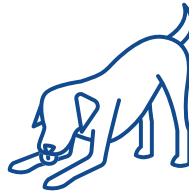
I WANT PEACE!

If not read correctly, stress, anxiety and fear often lead to behavior commonly termed 'aggressive', as the dog attempts to make it clear that they are uncomfortable: raised hackles are a sign of fear:



CONTENT / HAPPY / SOCIAL

These dogs pose no immediate threat.



TAIL POSITIONS

tucked



in line with spine



high and rigid

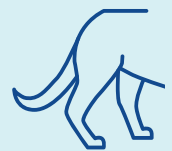


low and wagging slowly



TAIL POSITIONS

relaxed



high and wagging quickly



casually at 45 degrees

