

IT DOESN'T HAPPEN OVERNIGHT

The 3/3/3 rule is a general guideline for the adjustment period of a dog after adoption. Every dog is unique and will adjust differently.



3 DAYS

TO DECOMPRESS

- FEELING OVERWHELMED
- MAY FEEL SCARED/UNSURE OF WHAT'S GOING ON
- NOT COMFORTABLE ENOUGH TO BE "HIMSELF"
- MAY NOT WANT TO EAT OR DRINK
- SHUTS DOWN AND/OR HIDES
- TESTS THE BOUNDARIES

Do not introduce dog to friends & outside family at this crucial time. Do not take out for public walks. Do not grab dog if he hides, let him come out on his own.

Do let him explore his surroundings on his own.

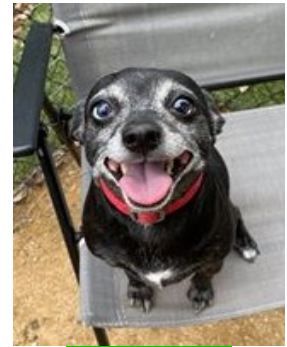


3 WEEKS

TO LEARN YOUR ROUTINE

- STARTS SETTLING IN
- FEELS COMFORTABLE
- REALIZES THIS COULD BE HIS FOREVER HOME
- FIGURES OUT HIS ENVIRONMENT
- GETS INTO A ROUTINE
- LETS HIS GUARD DOWN, MAY BEGIN TO SHOW HIS TRUE PERSONALITY
- BEHAVIOR ISSUES MAY START TO APPEAR

Be gentle but firm on correcting his unwanted behaviors. Praise him often, with love and treats!



3 MONTHS

TO START TO FEEL AT HOME

- FINALLY FEELS COMFORTABLE IN HIS NEW HOME
- BEGINS TO BUILD TRUST AND A TRUE BOND
- GAINS A COMPLETE SENSE OF SECURITY WITH HIS NEW FAMILY
- SETS INTO A ROUTINE

If you have any questions or concerns, please give us a call so that we can help you address any problems.



PLEASE GIVE THEM A CHANCE

