



Behavior Objectives and Enrichment Plan

Animal Name: Echo

Handling Status: Due to the high level of bite risk, all forms of direct handling of Echo are **prohibited**. The kennel divider door needs to be closed to separate Echo during cleaning. The divider door is to otherwise be kept open so that he may access both sides of the kennel throughout the day and night.

Current Behavior Objectives:

- Ensure that Echo's stress levels are kept minimal, alternating enrichment that he enjoys or interacts with that are offered daily, and that he is as comfortable as possible in his kennel.
- Minimize reactivity towards staff while in kennel through positive interactions, positive reinforcement of those associations, and continued offering of enrichment activities.

Kennel Set Up:

- Water bowl needs to be placed above the drain. With how reactive Echo can be toward staff members, it is more likely for him to knock over bowls if they are at the front of his kennel.
- Offer two stuffed beds next to each other and off of the drain. One is round to encourage him to curl up, the other is larger and made of memory foam to encourage sprawling out.

Kennel Cleaning:

- For cleaning purposes, ensure that the divider door is securely closed between the two sides of Echo's kennel. With Echo on one side, complete cleaning of the opposite side as per routine kennel cleaning procedure. Dry the half kennel once clean, and set up as per Kennel Set Up instructions. Then raise the divider door to give Echo access to the newly cleaned kennel, and drop the divider door to clean the opposite side by removing old items, cleaning and drying. Once cleaning is complete, open the divider door so that Echo has access to both sides during the day. Kennel is cleaned completely once a day in the morning, and then is spot cleaned throughout the day as needed. Kennel must be clean on both sides prior to leaving for the day.

Feeding & Enrichment Schedule:

- Feed cooked chicken and rice per instructions on Feeding and Rotation board 3x a day at 8am, 12pm, and 5pm. Servings can be offered as Enrichment Items if he will interact with them.
- Offer a new Enrichment Item at 9am, 1pm, 4pm.

Enrichment Plan:

- Rotate out toys in the kennel daily with fresh set of toys. He has not been observed interacting with them, but the changing scent is stimulating.
- Offer one daily and rotate out with a fresh item if he doesn't eat it. Monitor: Chew stick, Nylabone, pressed bone, dental stick, antler chew, frozen beef bone. ●

Enrichment Items:

- Screen Time for 30 minutes (Youtube videos on Ipad)
- Scent Item in Sniff Sleeve for 10-30 minutes (pick one from scent items in bin: dirty cat laundry, squirrel scent rag, elk scent rag, horse hay, essential oil rag, hot dog, potato chips, peanut butter, other dog friendly item. Safe edible foods should be given to Echo after sniff time is up).
- Audiobook, radio or music time for 1 hour. Utilize Bluetooth speaker or radio. ○
- Gossip time - sit near the kennel for a minimum of 10 minutes and just talk softly or read [This is only to be done if he is calm. If sitting near him makes him more stressed, discontinue, attempt again the following day].
- Frozen wet food pupsicle - leave in the kennel until eaten.
- Work on commands - reward with wet food or meaty treats. [This is only to be done if he is calm. If sitting near him makes him more stressed, discontinue, and attempt again the following day]
- Lick Mat with peanut butter or wet food - leave in kennel until eaten
- Cardboard scavenger hunt - Put wet food, steak bites, hot dogs, or shredded chicken in some cardboard items and monitor until eaten.
- Easter Eggs with treats inside. If regular interactions occur, place eggs in a muffin tin.