

A5773623/DODGER'S Behavior Assessments

May 05, 2026

E26-093208

<u>Animal ID:</u>	A5773623	<u>Play Style:</u>		<u>Kids:</u>	ADULTS ONLY (REQ)
<u>Eval Type:</u>	PLAYGROUP	<u>Sociability:</u>	TOLERANT	<u>Large Dogs:</u>	CALM DOGS (REC)
<u>Eval Location:</u>	DOWNEY	<u>Reactive:</u>	NON REACTIVE	<u>Small Dogs:</u>	NO SMALL DOGS
<u>Eval Date:</u>	05/05/2026	<u>Ken Handling:</u>	FEARFUL/FROZEN	<u>Energy Level:</u>	LOW
<u>Review Date:</u>				<u>Training:</u>	CONFIDENCE BUILDING

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Dodger A5773623 (Intact) was at the front of the kennel but he scurried away to the rear when the runner arrived. He refused to approach, exhibiting a nervous demeanor as the runner slowly leaned forward in order to leash him while he appeared to glance for an escape. Once leashed, Dodger hesitated to exit on his own, requiring some coaxing and leash guidance. He then proceeded to make his way to the catch pen, appearing nervous in the kennel environment. Inside the catch pen, he was cautiously collared and leashed as he appeared wary during the process. Dodger was allowed into the yard, where he exchanged greetings with some of the dogs, exhibiting a slightly tense posture. Following the introduction, he moved on to explore the environment as he continued to sniff the dogs he met along the way. Dodger was avoidant of the handlers, as he constantly retreated when they attempted to interact with him. A small scuffle occurred when one of the male dogs targeted him, causing Dodger to respond defensively. However, they both paused after a tool correction from the handlers. The other dog was separated from the group to prevent further escalations. For the remainder of the session, Dodger continued to roam the yard, showing no interest in engaging in play with the other dogs. Once the session concluded, he was shifted to the side yard to begin his handling assessment.

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Dodger A5773623 (Intact) was allowed to decompress prior to the assessment. The handler was able to conduct a full evaluation without incident; however, Dodger appeared highly uncomfortable throughout the process. He stood with a nervous demeanor, tolerating his ears, mouth, abdomen, tail, and legs to be handled. Dodger exhibited a tense body posture, with a concerned gaze, a closed mouth, ears slightly back, and a low tail nub. Once the session concluded, he was returned to his kennel without issue. Due to his nervous nature, Dodger may benefit from an experienced owner who can work with his confidence and handling skills. Slow introductions are recommended to allow him to warm up to people.