

Canine Stress Signals



Lip licking

This is an easy one to see when you are looking for it. Dogs will often quickly lick their lips when they are nervous. Watch for tiny tongue flicks.



Yawning

Yawning isn't necessarily a sign of boredom. Dogs often yawn when they are a bit overwhelmed by things happening to them.



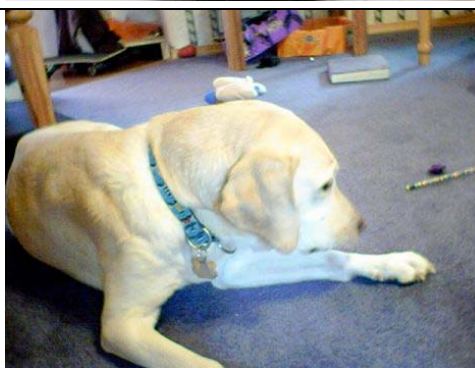
Freezing

Dogs will typically freeze when they get worried by something approaching them. Watch for these tiny freezing moments when your dog is interacting with toys, food, or people. It's a sign of stress that should be heeded!



Half-Moon Eye

Notice the whites of this dog's eyes. You often see this when a dog is nervous or anxious about something.



Turning Away

Often owners think a dog turning away is "blowing them off" and they intensify their demands on her, which is exactly what the dog was trying to avoid.