



CENTER FOR
Shelter Dogs

A PROGRAM OF THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON

ESCAPE BEHAVIOR

Your new dog has shown escape behavior while in our shelter or in the previous home. Dogs commonly learn to escape to get to desirable things outside of their home or yard. Common things that dogs seek are people, dogs, food and fun! Very often the home environment is not interesting enough for the dog and dog easily learns to seek a better life elsewhere.

If the following guidelines are followed you will be able to safely control your dog and have a happy and long-lasting relationship with your new dog.

- Keep your dog within a reliable conventional (not invisible) fence while on your property.
- Supervise your dog at all times when outside. When supervising, you should be with your dog.
- Keep your dog leashed at all times when off of your property.
- Teach your dog to sit and stay before you open the door. Teach your dog to wait until you exit the door first. Teach ALL FAMILY MEMBERS to do the same.
- Lock your doors and windows for the next 2 months.
- Enroll your dog in a humane dog obedience class.