# Responsible Dog Ownership Patch *Juniors and up*











## **Instructions:**

When you have finished this Responsible Dog Ownership Patch packet, return to the Girl Scouts booth (#236) to have your packet checked and receive your Meet the Breeds patch!

Now Let's Get Started!

### First...BREEDS!









Visit seven (7) breed booths and fill out the information by talking to the booth's breeders and experts.

1. Breed nam	ne				
Group					
<b>Size</b> (circle or	ne):				
	👺 Small	*	Medium	<b>*</b>	Large
Grooming Ne	eeds (circle one):				
	Little grooming	*	Regular brushing	<b>*</b>	Daily brushing and grooming
Exercise Leve	el (circle one):				
	Not very active	<b>*</b>	Somewhat active	*	Very active
2. Breed nam	ne				
Size (circle or					
·	Small	*	Medium	*	Large
Grooming Ne	eeds (circle one):				
	Little grooming	*	Regular brushing	<b>*</b>	Daily brushing and grooming
Exercise Leve	el (circle one):				
	Not very active	<b>*</b>	Somewhat active	*	Very active
3. Breed nam	ne				
Size (circle or					
•	<b>☆</b> Small	<b>*</b>	Medium	<b>*</b>	Large

Grooming Need	as (circie one):				
	Little grooming	Regular brushing	Daily brushing and grooming		
Exercise Level (	(circle one):				
	Not very active	Somewhat active	Very active		
4. Breed name					
Group					
Size (circle one	):				
	👺 Small	<b>*</b> Medium	🛣 Large		
Grooming Nee	<b>ds</b> (circle one):				
	Little grooming	Regular brushing	Daily brushing and grooming		
Exercise Level (	(circle one):				
	Not very active	Somewhat active	Very active		
5. Breed name					
Group					
Size (circle one	):				
	👺 Small	<b>*</b> Medium	👺 Large		
Grooming Nee	<b>ds</b> (circle one):				
	Little grooming	Regular brushing	Daily brushing and grooming		
Exercise Level (circle one):					
	Not very active	Somewhat active	Very active		
6. Breed name					
Group					

Size (circle one):					
*	Small 🐇	Medium	*	Large	
Grooming Needs (	circle one):				
*	Little grooming	Regular brushing	*	Daily brushing and grooming	
Exercise Level (circ	le one):				
*	Not very active	Somewhat active	<b>*</b>	Very active	
7. Breed name					
Group					
Size (circle one):					
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Grooming Needs (circle one):					
*	Little grooming	Regular brushing	<b>*</b>	Daily brushing and grooming	
Exercise Level (circle one):					
*	Not very active	Somewhat active	<b>*</b>	Very active	

#### Second...HEALTH!

Hint: Stop by the Veterinary Medical Association of New York City, booth #351, and ask for help!

Please answer TRUE or FALSE to the following questions. Then, correct the false statements.

- 1. Dogs can eat chocolate.
- 2. Dogs should visit the vet at least once a year.
- 3. Only overweight dogs require exercise.
- 4. The amount of food a dog eats depends on its size.
- 5. Dogs and cats can be friends.
- 6. You can't teach old dogs new tricks.

#### Third...THE RIGHT DOG FOR YOU!

Hint: Stop by the American Kennel Club $^{\circ}$ Booth #244 and speak to a booth staff member to find out the below.
List three (3) things that are important to consider when choosing the right breed of dog for your lifestyle:  1)
2)
3)
What is something else you learned today about being a Responsible Pet Owner?
FinallyTHE PET PROMISE
Read and Sign the AKC Responsible Dog Owner Pet Promise:
As a dog owner, I do solemnly swear:
* I will never overlook my responsibilities for this living being and recognize that my dog's welfare is totally dependent on me.
* I will always provide fresh water and quality food for my dog.
* I will socialize my dog via exposure to new people, places and other dogs.
* I will take pride in my dog's appearance with regular grooming.
* I will recognize the necessity of basic training by teaching my dog to reliably sit, stay and come when called.
* I will take my dog to the vet regularly and keep all vaccinations current.
* I will pick-up and properly dispose of my dog's waste.
* I will make sure my dog is regarded as an AKC Canine Good Citizen® by being aware of my responsibilities to my neighbors and to the community.
* I will ensure that the proper amount of exercise and mental stimulation appropriate for my dog's age, breed and energy level is provided.  * I will ensure that my dog has some form of identification (which may include collar tags, tattoo or microchip
ID.)
* I will adhere to local leash laws.
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