

Excessive Territorial or Reactive Barking Solutions

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Your dog has been diagnosed with excessive barking due to territorial protection or reactive barking. To address this problematic behavior, institute the following solutions:

Minimize

Minimize your dog's exposure to things that trigger the barking, this may include:

- Blocking view of passing people or pets from windows/doors
- Not allowing unsupervised access to yard
- Removing items that attract other animals to your property, such as bird feeders

Provide

Provide your dog with adequate enrichment and exercise; this may include:

- Play
- Walks
- Use of puzzle toys for feeding

Teach

Teach your dog the following commands when there are no distractions:

- Sit
- Stay
- Watch me

After your dog has mastered the commands when there are no distractions, use them to redirect your dog when exposed to triggers that elicit barking.

Reward

Reward your dog for following your commands with:

- Praise
- Tasty treats
- Toys



For additional information, please contact your Banfield medical team.

