

# What is The Best Way to Approach a Dog?



Trailblazing Tails

OUR **BEST** APPROACH  
IS TO ALLOW THE DOG TO APPROACH!

If that is not possible...

**Calmly approach the dog from the side.**

- KEEP your body sideways.
- AVOID quick movements.
- ALLOW the dog to initiate pets.
- AVOID approaching the dog head on.
- AVOID looking the dog directly in the eyes.
- AVOID putting your hand out for the dog to smell.
- AVOID standing directly over the dog.
- AVOID petting the dog on their head.
- ALLOW consent checks every 3 seconds.