

A5712307/VYKE'S Behavior Assessments

June 30, 2026

E26-094481

<u>Animal ID:</u>	A5712307	<u>Play Style:</u>		<u>Kids:</u>	
<u>Eval Type:</u>	PLAYGROUP	<u>Sociability:</u>	DEFENSIVE	<u>Large Dogs:</u>	CALM DOGS (REQ)
<u>Eval Location:</u>	DOWNEY	<u>Reactive:</u>	NON REACTIVE	<u>Small Dogs:</u>	
<u>Eval Date:</u>	06/30/2026	<u>Ken Handling:</u>	FEARFULLY DEFENSIVE	<u>Energy Level:</u>	LOW
<u>Review Date:</u>				<u>Training:</u>	B-MOD MULTI

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Vyke was at the rear of the kennel with a tense demeanor/barking defensively at the runner. Vyke was avoidant/difficult to leash/remove from the kennel. Once out Vyke appears to not be leash trained flailing/alligator rolling. Once he settled down Vyke was placed in a roll cart and was taken to the catch pen. Vyke was back tied and was collared/leashed using a slow approach. Vyke appeared timid at the barrier and was guided into the play yard with calm gentle/dainty dogs. Vyke displayed a hunched tense body, tucked tail, closed mouth, ears back, and soft eyes with a furrowed brow. Vyke was avoidant of the dogs approaching to greet him. He scurried away to the corner of the yard when one of the dogs attempted to play. He spent the majority of the play session at the far end of the play yard keeping to himself. He appeared wary of the dogs or handlers and was avoidant of them if they approached. Vyke spent the remainder of the play session keeping to himself in the far end of the play yard. Vyke could benefit from a slow and patient introduction, further socialization, and confidence building. See additional assessment for placement recommendations.

E26-094482

<u>Animal ID:</u>	A5712307	<u>Play Style:</u>		<u>Kids:</u>	
<u>Eval Type:</u>	HANDLING	<u>Sociability:</u>	DEFENSIVE	<u>Large Dogs:</u>	CALM DOGS (REQ)
<u>Eval Location:</u>	DOWNEY	<u>Reactive:</u>	NON REACTIVE	<u>Small Dogs:</u>	
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Vyke was in the play yard prior to the assessment and was given time to decompress. Vyke displayed a tense body, closed mouth, tucked tail, ears back, and soft eyes. Vyke was avoidant of the handler and required a slow approach as he barked defensively at the handler. He was given time to acclimate to the handler’s presence but remained tense. Vyke was back tied for safety, and the handler used the assessment hand for safety. Using a slow approach, the handler was able to palpate Vyke’s ears, mouth, abdomen, back, lower extremities, and tail. Vyke appeared tense and uncomfortable, often pulling away from the assessment hand. Vyke was leashed and was able to be walked back to his kennel without incident. Vyke could benefit from a slow and patient approach with further socialization and confidence building. Vyke is recommended to be made available to Rescue Only (+KHOA handling sensitivity/lack of socialization) low energy level calm dogs required at this time.