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The Rehomed Dog Settling-In Sheet



THE SHORT ANSWER

A rehomed dog settles into a new home faster when the main person, the routine and the house rules stay the same every day. Dogs with several past homes have learned that rules change, so predictability earns trust faster than extra affection.

FOUR THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. Same person, same rules, same day. Boring on purpose.
2. Pick 1 point person, 4 house rules on the fridge and the same cue words for everyone.
3. Skip rules that change with who's home, punishing old habits and a new sitter or party every weekend.
4. Signs of unpacking: ignores the suitcase, stops watching the door, stashes chews and sleeps belly up.

YOUR NEXT STEP

Write your 4 house rules on the fridge today, and have every person answer the same way.

Read the full article and sources:
https://letthembedog.com/blog/rehomed-dog

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