WHAT DOES "DO NOT CHASE" MEAN?

Chasing is any attempt to pursue or keep getting closer to a dog that is trying to avoid you.

WHAT IS CLASSED AS CHASING.

- **ON FOOT:** Walking or running after the dog, even slowly.
- **BY CAR:** Driving slowly and following, pulling alongside.
- **CALLING AND COAXING:** Calling, whistling or advancing with food as it retreats.
- **GRABBING:** Reaching for a collar or repeatedly trying to put on a leash.
- **DRONES:** Following or flying close enough to disturb it.
- **HIDING PLACES:** Entering bushes or repeatedly disturbing where it rests.
- **SIGHTING CHASES:** Rushing to reports and attempting separate captures.

WHY IT MATTERS

THE DOG MAY FEEL THREATENED, HUNTED.

THE CONSEQUENCES CAN BE SERIOUS

- Running into traffic and being injured or killed.
- Leaving a familiar area and travelling farther from home.
- Abandoning a safe hiding place or established feeding spot.
- Becoming more wary of people and harder to recover.
- Disrupting a recovery plan and prolonging the time missing.

WHAT TO DO INSTEAD

STOP. GIVE SPACE. REPORT THE SIGHTING.

- Report the time, location and direction of travel.
- Observe from a safe distance only if you are not disturbing the dog.
- Keep exact locations off public posts.
- Coordinate with the person managing the recovery.

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IF YOUR APPROACH MAKES THE DOG MOVE AWAY, STOP CLOSING THE DISTANCE.



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