

Can Dogs Get Coronavirus?

By AKC Staff, March 30, 2020

In early March 2020, the World Health Organization declared that the COVID-19 novel coronavirus is a global pandemic. In the panic over the spread of the virus, people are worried not only about their own health but the health of their dogs, cats, and other pets.

Dogs wearing face masks have popped up in photos across social media, causing pet owners everywhere to ask: can dogs get coronavirus?

Can dogs contract COVID-19?

Dogs can contract certain types of coronaviruses, such as the canine respiratory coronavirus, but this specific novel coronavirus, aka COVID-19, is believed to not be a health threat to dogs.

The World Health Organization has stated, "There is no evidence that a dog, cat or any pet can transmit COVID-19. COVID-19 is mainly spread through droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or speaks. To protect yourself, clean your hands frequently and thoroughly."

Can dogs spread COVID-19?

Li Lanjuan, an epidemiologist and representative of China's National Health Commission cautioned pet owners in China to be vigilant about their own health and the health of their pets: "If pets go out and have contact with an infected person, they have the chance to get infected. By then, pets need to be isolated. In addition to people, we should be careful with other mammals especially pets."

The CDC says that "while this virus seems to have emerged from an animal source, it is now spreading from person-to-person." The CDC recommends that people traveling to China avoid animals both live and dead, "but there is no reason to think that any animals or pets in the United States might be a source of infection with this novel coronavirus."

Two dogs in Hong Kong whose owners tested positive for COVID-19 have tested positive for the virus in what health officials characterize as "likely to be a case of human-to-animal transmission." Local government health officials emphasize that "there is currently no evidence that pet animals can be a source of infection of COVID-19 or that they become sick." Hong Kong health officials have continued to test dogs owned by people infected with the coronavirus. Officials there have stated that cases of infection in dogs appear to be infrequent. As of March 25, Hong Kong's Agriculture, Fisheries, and Conservation Department "has conducted tests on 17 dogs and eight cats from households with confirmed COVID-19 cases or persons in close contact with confirmed patients, and only two dogs had tested positive for the COVID-19 virus."

Hong Kong officials stress that "these findings indicate that dogs and cats are not infected easily with this virus, and there is no evidence that they play a role in the spread of the virus."

Is it safe to pet my dog?

According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, petting a dog's fur is a low risk. The AVMA's Chief Veterinary Officer Gail Golab says, "We're not overly concerned about people contracting COVID-19 through contact with dogs and cats." And there's science behind that: "The virus survives best on smooth surfaces, such as countertops and doorknobs," Golab says. "Porous materials, such as pet fur, tend to absorb and trap pathogens, making it harder to contract them through touch."

Dr. Jerry Klein, Chief Veterinary Officer for the AKC, says, "The CDC has not reported any cases of pets or other animals becoming infected with COVID-19 in the United States or anywhere else in the world, including hotbeds like Italy." Dr. Klein urges common sense best practices when it comes to our pets: "If you have children, you wouldn't have them touch a puppy and put their fingers in their mouth, because they can have fecal contamination," he says. "The general practice of washing our hands after touching a puppy or a dog—that's normal hygiene."

Can I walk my dog?

Physical and mental exercise are extremely important for dogs and dog owners alike. Before taking a walk, check your local regulations. As long as the area where you reside remains safe enough to venture outside, dog owners feeling healthy and well should plan to continue walking their dogs daily, albeit with added safety measures. Observe any local ordinances concerning curfews, even if that means adjusting your dog walking schedule.

Owners should wash their hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds before and after each walk. Consider carrying around a pocket-sized bottle of hand sanitizer during your walks. Practice social distancing measures by walking your dog in uncrowded areas when possible. If you live in a big city, make efforts to take your dog down less-heavily-trafficked blocks, or try adjusting walks to less busy times of day and night.

How can dog owners protect dogs from coronavirus?

For now, healthy pet owners in the U.S. don't need to do anything other than follow basic hygienic precautions such as washing their hands with soap and water before and after contact with any animal, including dogs and cats. If you test positive for COVID-19 or have been exposed to the novel coronavirus, experts recommend that you should "restrict contact with [your] animals — both to avoid exposing the pets and to prevent getting the virus on their skin or fur, which might be passed on to another person who touches the animal." To reduce the spread of all germs, you may consider wiping your pet's paws when they come in and out of the house with a paw cleaner and paw wipes.

Dogs do not need a face mask to protect themselves against the novel coronavirus COVID-19. If you are still concerned or notice a change in your dog's health, speak to a veterinarian. And the most important protection of all: Under no circumstances should owners abandon their dogs, cats, or other pets because of COVID-19 fears.

The AKC is here to help dog owners adapt to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Find answers to all your coronavirus concerns, plus at-home activity ideas, training tips, educational resources, and more at our ['Coping With Coronavirus COVID-19'](#) hub.

Can pets at home spread the new coronavirus (2019-nCoV)?

At present, there is **no evidence that companion animals / pets such as dogs or cats can be infected with the new coronavirus.** However, it is always a good idea to **wash your hands with soap and water after contact with pets.** This protects you against various common bacteria such as **E. coli and Salmonella** that can pass between pets and humans.

 **#Coronavirus**



Note from the Editor: As you can see from the article and image above, you cannot catch COVID-19 from your pets and they can't catch it from you either. There has been a lot of misinformation about this topic on various social media and people have been dumping pets at shelters and humane societies. Please make sure to spread this information far and wide on all your social media platforms so that we get the word out to as many people as possible.

How To Socialize A Puppy

By PetHealthNetwork.com

What you need to know about socializing puppies

Dog Behavior

Social skills are just as important for your canine pal as they are for each of us. A well-mannered, well-adjusted dog who can adapt to a variety of situations with new people and other pets will be a happier dog and a better companion for you.

What defines a well-socialized dog?

Dogs that are comfortable meeting and being around a variety of people of all ages, other dogs, and even other types of pets – especially cats – are considered well socialized. Being relaxed and receptive to new people and pets isn't something that comes naturally to every dog, any more than it does to every person. Some dogs are extroverts and others are timid. Some dogs are naturally comfortable with people, but take a bit more time getting used to another dog or cat.

Why is socializing a dog important?

If you socialize your dog in a variety of situations, especially those situations in which you often find yourself (households with lots of children or pets, dog parks with your other dogs, a busy city street, etc.), you'll know how he is going to react and feel confident that your dog is going to be comfortable and well behaved in any situation.

If you're not focusing on social skills from an early age, you're basically always putting your dog into new and surprising situations. This can lead to fear, insecurity, and the negative behaviors that come with those emotions.

The Social Puppy Top 4 Tips

1. Start early. When your veterinarian gives you the go-ahead, make routine "social engagements" part of his life. These can be as simple as meeting neighbors or other neighborhood pets as you take walks. You can also find local playgroups or doggie daycare facilities (in the case of a puppy, be sure they have classes specializing in younger dogs—you don't want a little tyke to be thrown in with the big dogs right away). Dog parks can also be a good possibility, but these require a bit more thought and research and aren't a place for very young dogs; see our [article on dog parks](#) for more information. Also, always make sure that your dog is up to date on vaccines and preventatives that protect against parasites such as fleas and intestinal worms.

2. Mix it up. Make sure that you introduce your dog to a variety of situations. A dog who only meets puppies might not be at all comfortable the first time he bumps into an adult. Even spending time only with dogs of a particular gender, breed, or size can limit your dog's comfort with future introductions to different dogs. If you think about it, the same applies to people. A dog that's totally comfortable with adults can be completely freaked out by the well-intentioned toddler who comes running his way. Children have a very different kind of energy than adults and many dogs are very sensitive to that. It's worth giving your dog some extra attention.

3. Be part of the social experience and pay attention to your dog's reactions. Don't just introduce your dog to his new human or animals friends and let him figure things out on his own, especially when he's young or new to your household. Stay with your pet, observe his comfort level, and assess whether he's happy, nervous, anxious, fearful, or crabby. If he's having a positive reaction, provide lots of praise and encouragement. If he's not as comfortable, make introductions to these situations brief, still provide encouragement when he engages positively and remove him from the situation if he exhibits a negative or fearful behavior using a verbal correction if necessary (no, don't jump, down, etc.).

4. Accept your dog's preferences and limitations. Some dogs are never going to love kids; however, every dog should be well mannered around kids. In this case, you want to understand that your dog is never going to be the dog who is in the back yard playing with your nieces and nephews, but he can be the dog who'll be calm and trustworthy around kids, even if it requires some extra effort and training. Likewise, not every dog will want to play with other dogs. But you want to know that you can comfortably walk your dog on the street and he'll be calm when passing another dog during your strolls. Sometimes, you might need help from a professional trainer to get your dog comfortable in these situations. Talk to your veterinarian for tons of tips and tricks.

The important thing to remember is that you want your dog's world to be a happy and comfortable place. That doesn't mean his life is free from anxiety any more than ours is. It does mean you can help your dog be prepared for a variety of situations, be confident regardless of what comes his way, and simply know when your dog is going to be the social butterfly and when your dog will be the wallflower!

If you have any questions or concerns, you should always visit or call your veterinarian – they are your best resource to ensure the health and well-being of your pets.

“The better I get to know men, the more I find myself loving dogs.”
– Charles de Gaulle

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Trainer Tips

“Socializing your puppy during the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic”

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Normal life has been put on hold with the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic taking over the world these days. But what do you do when you have a new puppy in the midst of all this?

Socializing your puppy is critical during those early days. While it's critical before they hit that 12 week mark, it's also important to CONTINUE socializing puppies properly through the remainder of puppyhood and adolescence. But how do we do that with a pandemic going on?

First and foremost, make sure you are following whatever restrictions are in place in your area. Depending on where you are and what day it is, restrictions will vary.

While meeting your puppy's needs during this time is going to be challenging and not ideal, there are many things you can still be doing to help your puppy as much as possible.

Normally, we want you getting your puppies out and meeting as many people (safely) as possible. While there are no indications that puppies can contract the virus, you certainly can if you are taking your puppy out in public. So, these days we have to be more concerned about YOU picking up something dangerous than we have to worry about your puppy.

So what do we do now? If you can find ways to get your puppy out and SEE and SMELL people from a distance, then they are getting some form of socialization even if it's not ideal. Can you take your puppy to places where you can watch people from a distance?

Depending on where you live and what restrictions are in place, perhaps you can go to local parks or grocery stores or places people are still going but keep your distance. Watching from the far end of the parking lot or sitting somewhere in the park where you can see other people out walking but from a safe distance away. While they say a minimum of six feet, err on the side of ten or more feet.

If you are not leaving your home at all, can you watch people from your front porch or front yard or front door even? If you are in an apartment building, a busy neighborhood or other place with lot of traffic, your pup will still get a chance to see lots of people. Your pup will just have to watch them and not interact at this point.

If others are out for a walk, can you sit in your front yard and watch them go by? If you are in a neighborhood, most likely more people are home than usual so there might very well be more activity to see how than they would normally see.

When we talk about socialization, we often really meaning exposure to lots of things as well as meeting people. Can you find ways to expose your puppy to new sights and sounds and smells – but again from a safe distance?

Any friends with cows or horses or chickens or other animals that you can bring your puppy to see from a safe distance?

Can you find a safe place to go where your pup can hear water flowing or trains going by?

Can you find places for your pup to walk on different surfaces they might not find at home, such as grass, dirt, mulch, rocks, or pavement?

Can you find places to hang out and watch life go by? Again, from a safe distance where you are not touching or handling things that might transmit the virus. Even if that means staying in your car and watching from there without stepping outside.

While in person is a more authentic experience, how about playing videos on your computer so your dog can hear horses, cows, chickens, sirens, trains, thunder, people, kids, dogs barking and lots of other sounds they might hear in their lives going forward?

While you can't take your puppy to the kids' soccer games for a while, find some videos online you can play so they can hear the sounds they will once soccer games resume.

If you are at home, do you have any Halloween costumes you can haul out and have family members wear? While not “new” people, even the exposure to familiar people wearing different things can be very useful. Think of the puppies who are born in the spring or summer and never see someone bundled up in winter gear until several months later.

Provide as much novelty as you can within whatever boundaries or restrictions are in place at the moment. Rearrange things in the house. Bring things out that have been stored away. Create obstacles that your pup can climb on and over and crawl under.

Create a "fort" in your house like kids would (even better if you have kids!) with chairs and blankets. Or create obstacles to climb over by placing broom handles across some stacked books (just climbing over not jumping for young puppies!) or other obstacles.

Haul out some things in the back yard that you can use. Things to sniff and climb over and walk around and crawl under and run around. Move them to other parts of the yard if they are normally there. Haul things out of the garage temporarily that your pup might not see if they are normally packed away.

While your puppy might not get the chance to get face-to-face with new people right now, there are ways to at least simulate the experiences so they are not entirely deprived of these exposures.

Do the best you can to give them as many safe experiences as you can. And continue it through puppyhood and into adolescence for as long as we need to be vigilant about this virus. They will be that much better off once we can get back to some of our normal activities in daily life.

Do the best you can and your pups will be that much the better for it!

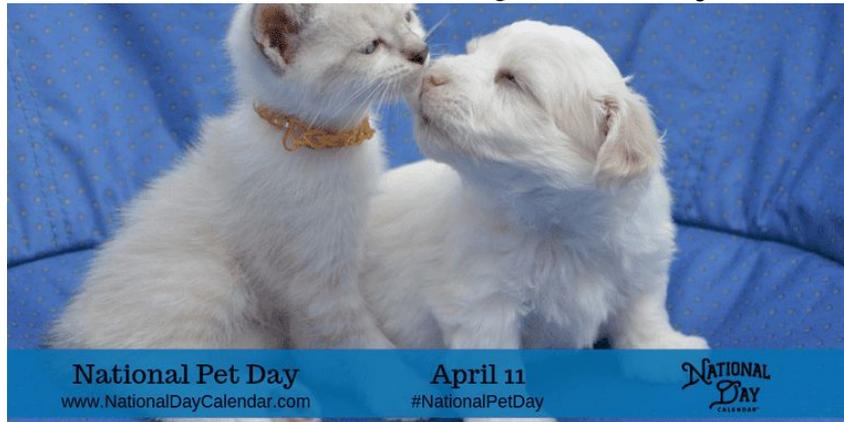
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National Pet Day - April 11th



April 11 is National Pet Day. While loving our pets is something we do every day, National Pet Day encourages us to pay special attention to pets who may not get that extra attention. Helping out orphaned pet companions will improve their health and enhance their opportunities for adoption. Sometimes their human companions aren't well. Making sure their forever furry friends are receiving the best of care will help relieve stress and worry.

National Pet Day is an excellent time to do a few checks for your pets.

- Go through your furever family member's toys. Throw away any items that are no longer safe.
- Maintain your pet-friendly home. Keep cords and toxins secure from your four-legged friends. This includes phone chargers.
- Verify when vaccinations are due and schedule an appointment to update if they are due.
- Check collars to ensure tags are secure and numbers are current. We sometimes forget to update this information when we move or change numbers.

HOW TO OBSERVE

Take supplies to those pets in shelters. Help a friend with pets who is recovering from an illness. Adopt a pet. Use #NationalPetDay on social media.

HISTORY

Founded by Celebrity Pet Lifestyle Expert & Animal Welfare Advocate Colleen Paige in 2005. More information on National Pet Day can be found at www.petdayusa.com.

“The World Through Dexter’s Eyes - The Foibles of a Too Big, Deaf Dalmatian and the Power of Love”

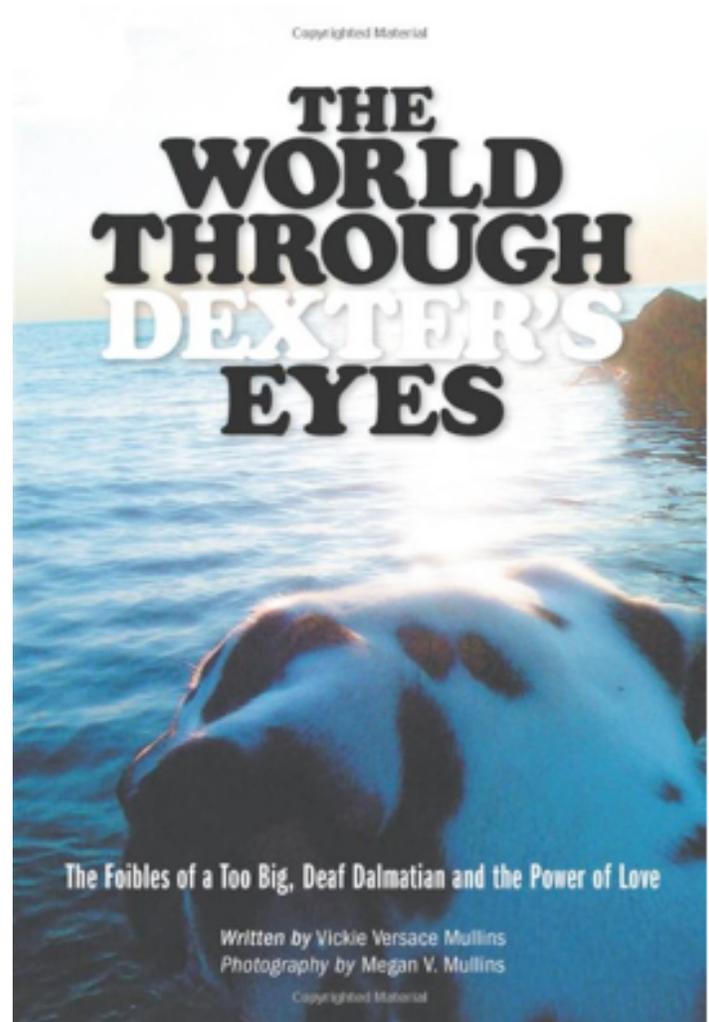
Dexter comes into the world with many problems, and he turns his family’s life upside down. Outside and lonely, he pulls the siding off the house, destroys the back door, chews up the cable wires and wood patio furniture. Inside, he does more of the same. He appears to not be trainable, so out of frustration, Mom contacts a dog whisperer who tells her Dexter died in a storm in a past life. And when he could not find his family on the other side, he grabbed the first body back, into the world, to try again.

There is something very familiar about this story to Mom. Then again, maybe she just feels sorry for the poor deaf guy. Whatever, Mom has tremendous compassion towards Dexter, and there was never such a bond between master and dog; one so strong, he telepathically conveys his story, to her.

This book is funny, sad, sweet and deep and a little inverted as it is from Dexter’s point of view. For all his antics, he is redeemed as all he wants to do on this earth is love. And it isn’t until he and Mom figure out the riddle the dog whisperer presented to them, that Dexter becomes the dog he was meant to be. Then miracles happen; grannies die, daughters go away to school, marriages fall apart, but love prevails.

About the author

Vickie Versace Mullins is a bubbly spirit who prefers laughing through life rather than all the other alternatives. She has a B.A. in English Literature from Cleveland State University in Cleveland, Ohio. She is a poet, and Dexter’s story is her first attempt at prose. She has published poems in various local literary magazines. She lives with her family in Cleveland, Ohio.



*“The World Through Dexter’s Eyes ~ The Foibles of a Too Big, Deaf Dalmatian and the Power of Love” by Victoria Mullins, is a book we should all read to understand deafness and how it is not the worst thing. There are many sites on-line to order the book and a portion of the proceeds are most generously donated to Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado. Thank you, Victoria!
– Beth White*

What a delightful read and clearly written from the heart. This is a true story as told to us through the eyes of Dexter, a deaf Dalmatian who, as it turns out, is a larger-than-life character in more ways than one. This author’s ability to entertain us when sharing our lives with a beloved pet, cannot be understated as she makes it so easy for us to make connections. Whether there is a pet in your life or not, Dexter’s story will warm your heart and you will catch yourself chuckling out loud at his exploits as well as at the vulnerability of mankind when it comes to life with a pet. You come to realize that what one person deems useless will make another person’s life perfect. And, as if that is not enough, this author has kindly donated proceeds from the book to Dalmatian and animal rescue, so you are passively doing a good deed when you read it... Clearly, this is a win-win situation and a story to ass to your “must read” list. - Michelle Winner

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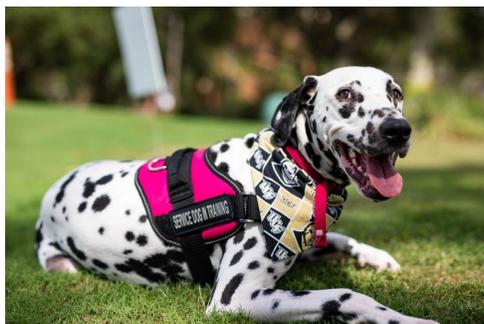
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Reader Recommendations and Tips

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Sadly, There are no reader recommendations or tips this time around. If you have any that you think might be helpful or informative for our readers, please send them in and see your recommendations and tips in our next issue!



In The Doghouse...Our Featured Dalmatians

Roxie2

7 Years Old, Black Spayed Female
Reason Available: Owner Surrender
Foster Home: Fort Wayne, IN

Bristol Babe is in northeastern IN, waiting for that super duper home that she knows she deserves! Well, when you are as nice a dog as Bristol then you do deserve the best. Bristol is a bundle of curiosity and affection and she is an adorable 40# Dalmatian Wannabe. Bristol loves it when her belly is rubbed, laying quietly with her legs straight in the air. How cute!! She is generally fine with the foster dogs, but she does prefer the boy dogs. Probably best with only male dogs, altho she can be okay with quiet female dogs. On walks she does love to meet new dogs coming along. The neighborhood girls (8-11 yrs) are her favorite young people and they love her too. Her fun time is going to the woods to run. She does have a naturally high prey drive when it comes to wildlife critters but with cats she is unknown. Bristol walks well on the leash and our queen prefers fluffy beds but all she really wants is to be with "mom". Bristol is a very smart girl with PERFECT house manners. She is not a dog toy fanatic and she does not chew what she shouldn't, but she does love tennis balls and will fetch them! Our girl is vocal about things outside, as nothing gets by her guarding instinct. One hind leg seems to have been broken once and maybe healed improperly so does cause her some discomfort but does not slow her down!, We are getting her leg evaluated. Bristol sits for meals or whatever she might want. Good girl! For more information, contact Chris at dalpal@rocketmail.com. Adoption \$300.



Duchess

7 Years Old, Black Neutered Male
Reason Available: Owner Surrender
Foster Home: Concordia, MO

Riley came from south TX like so many dogs we help. He was reported to be chasing cattle, but we removed the cattle and neutered him and now he is a different dog in his northern MO foster home. Riley is a handsome purebred Dalmatian who has had essentially no interest. We are dumfounded because Riley gets along well with both male and female foster dogs. He would probably do best in a home with no cats or small animals, however. Riley has done well with a 6 yr grandchild but any younger, Riley's size and exuberance might be too much. Typical of Dalmatians, he follows his mom from room to room and he is joined with her at the hip! His foster mom has worked with Riley as his manners were not the best, coming from where he ran wild and did what he wanted. He has become a lovely, mannery dog. Riley would probably do best in an experienced dog home since he might resort to taking control if allowed. Some Dalmatians (and some males) do that! We have learned that thunder scares him so that means his new home needs to help him cope. We have resources to help with that. Riley will make a lovely companion in the right home where he is not allowed to run the show. For more information, contact Jon at js86bacon@gmail.com. Adoption \$300. This link will show you one of Riley's other skills...talking politics!

<https://www.facebook.com/jon.bacon.965/videos/10158712476009992/>



Happy Beginnings Stories

Avery



Avery was rescued in Minnesota, and made the journey to Upstate NY for her forever home. Day by day she has learned love and compassion, and how much she belongs with my 4 year old Dalmatian Raj. They have become two peas in a pod! She hogs toys, loves to cuddle, and enjoys sleeping on the bed (a very new thing for her!). There is nothing better than watching her run around at dog parks or in the backyard. While winter is not her favorite, summer is just around the corner here - perfect for sunbathing! More and more every day she is learning how to "dog". Her personality keeps coming out, which is an incredible gift to be a part of!! Thank you Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado for saving my baby girl!

Melissa B.

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