

CONFINEMENT POLICY

We are searching for a safe environment for our rescue dogs. An Old English Sheepdog that is allowed to run loose will always be at risk unless accompanied by a responsible adult. It is the policy of Tarheel Old English Sheepdog Rescue to encourage a secure, fenced area for your OES. Special circumstances, of course, will be evaluated on a case by case basis. In any situation, the OES should always be supervised when outside.

Dog runners and tie-outs are not acceptable permanent alternatives to fencing, as they can leave a dog in a very vulnerable position. Dogs can be easily stolen, abused or teased by children (or adults) passing by, attacked by other dogs, and generally become frustrated when tied for an extended period of time.

Our suggestion would be chain link, heavy wire mesh or stockade as fencing material. The fencing should be at least five feet high. The ideal fenced area would be a portion of the yard surrounding a door or slider into the house. If you have questions regarding fencing, please contact one of the TOES officials or the Placement Director.

The best policy of all is to keep your OES in your house where it normally prefers to be and where it will look forward to going outside with it's owner.

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