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Keeping your Greyhound Safe

- Make sure your dog is wearing a collar that is properly fitted.
- **ALWAYS** have identification tags on your dogs with your phone number.
- If you do not like the sound of tags, tape them together or buy a tag silencer but keep them ON.
- Keep your dog on a leash at all times and always hold the leash around your wrist.
- Leash your grey BEFORE opening the door.
- NEVER use a flexi lead. If you drop the handle and your dog takes off, they will be frightened by the plastic handle chasing behind.
- NEVER let your dog run lose unless in a fully enclosed fenced area with at least a five foot high fence.
- Check that all gates to your yard are closed PRIOR to letting your dog out.
- Consider having gates that can only be opened from the inside so that people/neighbors cannot simply walk in.
- Name Place signs on your fence letting strangers know that you have dogs that may be in the yard.
- If you are running your dog in a fenced in field, check the perimeter is secure and the gates are closed.
- lf you are traveling with your dog, consider temporary identification including where you are staying.
- Anticipate the season: Fireworks on the Fourth and thunderstorms can be terrifying to dogs. If you have a door with a screen on top only, remove the screen window to the storm door to give out the Halloween candy so that the door can remain closed. Consider a baby gate as an additional barrier if you are entertaining.
- <u>NEVER</u> leave your dogs outside alone. Dogs can do some pretty amazing things if they become panicked including scaling a fence.
- Consider alternative means of identification such as micro chipping. This may not be effective in preventing a lost dog however it may be useful as a means of identification if your dog is turned into a vet or dog officer.