



Dog/Pup Adoption Guidelines

General Care:

- Remember a pup, whatever the breed, is as delicate and sensitive as a human child.
- Maintain a file with a complete record of every medicine that your pup/dog has ever had.
- Your pup's first day in its new home is a critical event. A sudden separation from its mother and siblings can be upsetting for a puppy. The pup may cry and refuse to eat for sometime. It is your duty to provide emotional support to the pup/dog by holding him in your arms, cuddling him, playing with him or tickling under the chin and the tummy.
- Keep puppy in a box near your bed the first few nights
- Never lift a puppy by holding its forelegs. Put one hand under its chest and support the back with the other, then lift.
- Please start potty training the pup with a lot of affection and patience. Pups less than 3 months of age do not follow instructions; however will form habits as trained.
- Do not give a bath to the pup or take it out for a walk till the vaccination schedule is complete. Wipe the puppy with a wet cloth if and when required.
- Groom the pup everyday using a soft brush, it improves blood circulation, removes loose hair and builds up a rapport between you and your pet.
- Clean the eyes of the pup with wet cotton wool everyday.
- Do not allow your pup to play, run or skid on very smooth floors for a prolonged period. This might cause bending of bones. Use a play-mat or a durri.
- Never chain your puppy. Once it reaches adulthood, anything more than 2 hours a day is cruel and unnatural.
- Pups have tendency to nibble at footwear, clothes, plastic items etc. Set aside a few safe toys and discourage gnawing on walls and other items.
- Never feed raw eggs, onions, garlic mushroom or chocolate to your pup/dog. Add a pinch of turmeric to the meal regularly. Avoid human food like glucose biscuits and table scraps.
- Use rewards like dog biscuits, chew sticks, toys and encouraging words to train the puppy, rather than fear of punishment.
- Dogs are social animals and live in packs/groups/families. Do not keep the dog/pup in a separate room or area away from your family. Allow the dog to explore the house and gain familiarity.
- Please ensure appropriate sleeping arrangement for your pup/dog. Choose a bed/basket/mattress/blanket according to the size of your pup/dog.
- Do not keep changing the sleeping area, as dogs are creatures of habit and may not adjust to change very well.



- A leash should mean an outing, for the dog. Never keep the dog tied at home.
- Do not leave your pup/dog alone for long periods, as they are prone to depression/frustration due to loneliness.
- Exercise your pup/dog regularly. It is always preferable to have fixed timings for walk/play.
- Never give chicken/ fish bones to your dog
- Never play with your dog with items smaller than tennis balls

Feeding:

Age: 3-4 weeks

8 small meals (every two hours)

Each meal may consist of 1-2 scoops of cerelac (stage 1 wheat) mixed with warm water.

If milk need be given it should be skimmed (purple packet, mother dairy).

A pinch of haldi may be added to at least 2 meals in a day.

½ pinch of SPORLAC (lacto bacillus) may be added to at least 3 meals.

Age: 4-6 weeks

5 feeds (early morning, mid morning, noon, evening, night)

Each meal may consist 1-2 scoops of cerelac (stage 1 wheat), 1-2 teaspoons of boiled dalia and any of the following in small quantities:

- Boiled rice
- Mashed bananas
- Boiled potatoes

Age: 6-10 weeks

4 larger meals.

Each meal may consist of a combination of a cereal (roti, dalia, rice, oats, etc) and boiled vegetable or dal, or a parboiled egg.



Contrary to common belief, milk is not at all a necessary item in a doggy diet, though it may be added occasionally. Soya nuggets (nutrela) are a rich source of protein and may be added to the meal frequently.

Age: 10 weeks onwards

3 main meals a day

De-Worming & Vaccination

- 1st de-worming should be done when the pup is 1 month old.
- 1st 7 in one vaccine should be administered between 1 ½ to 2 months of age.
- 1st Anti rabies vaccine should be administered between 2 ½ to 3 months of age.
- Boosters for the above mentioned vaccines are to be administered after one month.
- De-worming should be done every 3 months.
- 7 in one and Anti rabies vaccines should be administered annually.
- Please request your vet to create your pup/dog's vaccine/medical history card. Please ensure that you maintain and update it regularly.

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