

PUPPIES - AT HOME

- Puppy Proof the House:*** *No power chords or dangerous items to chew*
No baits or poisons to eat
No shoes or socks to steal and chew on
Provide a bed and sleeping area
Provide readily available fresh water
- Provide Chew Toys :*** *Puppies need to chew and exercise their jaws*
Puppies need to chew especially while teething
Provide 2 or 3 chew toys for inside and outside
Toys that are indestructable, yet not too hard
Ropes and Kongs are ideal
Chicken necks and lamb necks
- Toilet Training :*** *Give your puppies regular visits outside (every hour)*
Choose the same spot every time
Take puppy outside after eating, drinking, playing and sleeping
Take puppy outside if they are sniffing or scratching
Never punish for accidents
Don't use outside as a punishment or sin bin area
Always reward when puppy is going on the spot
Walk puppy outside, don't carry them
Give it time - toilet training will progress and regress
- Feeding :*** *Feed puppy 3 or 4 times a day in small doses*
Don't over-feed
Raw, fresh and organic meat with pulped veges are best
Chicken necks and soft raw bones
Never feed a dog cooked bones, onions, chocolate or corn cobs
- Behavioural***
& Socialisation : *Interrupt bad behaviours*
Ignore attention seeking - wait till puppy is calm
eg barking or scratching to come inside
Reward good and wanted behaviours
Always monitor your puppy
Socialise your puppy to everything in the world
eg people, other dogs, trains, noises, cars
Positive experiences during critical period (6-16 weeks)
- Independence Training :*** *Give puppy short times alone and gradually extend duration*
Only let puppy in when they are calm(not barking or scratching)
Don't make leaving or arriving home a big deal
Crate training can provide independence and security