

MEALTIME BASICS

Feeding & Tummy Troubles

A simple guide to protecting your puppy's routine while their little tummy adjusts.

KEEP FOOD FAMILIAR

- Your puppy will go home with NutriSource food samples and coupons. Please wait to purchase food until you receive them so you can use your discounts.
- Follow the specific food, portion, and feeding schedule in your HeyDoods go-home instructions. Adjust as your veterinarian recommends based on growth and body condition.
- Use a measuring cup or kitchen scale for consistent portions, and keep fresh water available throughout the day.
- Offer meals in a calm location. Do not add multiple new toppers, rich treats, or supplements right away.

TREATS + FOOD CHANGES

- Use tiny puppy-appropriate treats for training; keep treats to a small part of daily calories.
- If changing foods later, transition gradually over about 7-10 days when your puppy is well, unless your veterinarian directs otherwise.
- Avoid toxic foods including chocolate, grapes/raisins, onions, garlic, and xylitol. Keep bones and choking hazards away.

A NOTE FROM HEYDOODS

We send home NutriSource samples and coupons so your family can take advantage of savings before buying puppy food. No need to stock up ahead of Gotcha Day!

KNOW WHAT IS NORMAL

Tummy Troubles: What to Watch

Changes in environment, treats, and routine can affect stool, but young puppies can become dehydrated quickly.

STOOL + APPETITE CHECK

- Track appetite, water intake, energy, and stool consistency. Note the time, frequency, and any new foods or treats.
- A single mildly soft stool may occur during adjustment, but persistent diarrhea is not something to ignore in a young puppy.
- Do not give over-the-counter anti-diarrhea medicine, dewormers, or home remedies without veterinary direction.

CALL THE VET PROMPTLY IF

- Diarrhea repeats, vomiting occurs, your puppy skips meals or drinks poorly, or activity drops noticeably.
- You see blood in stool, worms, marked bloating, or signs of dehydration such as tacky gums.
- Your puppy seems painful, weak, unusually sleepy, or symptoms are worsening. Severe weakness, collapse, or trouble breathing requires emergency care.

EASY VET HANDOFF

If your puppy has stomach trouble, bring a fresh stool sample if requested and share the food name, portion sizes, treats, symptom timeline, and vaccination/deworming records.