

## **Puppy Feeding Instructions**

**Puppies are eating “*Fromm Puppy Gold*”**

(It’s in a pink bag!)

Congratulations on the arrival of your new family member! I hope that you will have many wonderful years together. The following instructions will tell you how to safely change your puppy over to the food of your choice, if you don’t intend to continue with the food they have been weaned on. First, the puppies are currently being fed two (2) times a day. They eat approximately at 7am, and 5pm. They are eating about (1/2-1 cup) of food per feeding, if the puppy isn’t eating really well when he first comes home, that’s normal. **\*\*ONLY ADD 2 TABLESPOONS OF GOATS MILK\*\*** It is very normal for puppies not to gobble up all of their food when they first go to their homes. They have just undergone a huge change in their environments and are also away from their litter mates for the first time.

All this takes some getting used to. Not to worry, when the puppy feels more comfortable with his/her environment, he will eat. Also, very young puppies only eat when they are hungry and only until they are full. So there may be times when he doesn’t eat all of his/her food. This is no cause for concern, when switching over to a new dog food, you want to make a slow transition to eliminate an upset stomach and/or runny stools. So, when the puppy first comes home, start by giving him almost a full amount of *Fromm Puppy*.

You will only want to add a very small amount of the new food. Do this for two (2) days. On the 3rd day you can do 1/2 the *Fromm Puppy*, and 1/2 the new food. Do this for another two (2) days, on the 5th day you will want to feed almost the full amount of food you are choosing and only a small amount of *Fromm Puppy*. Do this for another two (2) days, by the 7th day you will be completely feeding him the new food of your choice. You will want to continue feeding about 1-1- 1/2 cup until the puppy is around 3-4 months old.

I cannot overstress the importance of not overfeeding a young puppy and keeping him lean and fit. There has been a lot of research done on bone disease, and it all agrees that there is an environmental and nutritional aspect to the bone development and problems. So, it is of the utmost importance that the puppy not be allowed to become overweight. If you have any questions or concerns at any time, never hesitate to call or email us. I will always be available to answer any and all questions and there is truly no such thing as a stupid question!

