



Puppy Training Guideline

8-10 Weeks of Age: Your puppy is a preschooler

- The most influential period of your puppies life
- Choose a marker word or introduce clicker training
- Create a daily routine, focus on potty training
- Prioritize positive socialization experiences
- Start crate training, name recognition, teaching “sit” & “down”

10-12 Weeks of Age: Your puppy is a elementary schooler

- Start biting and jumping prevention
- Noise desensitization training
- Introduction to loose leash walking
- Recall training inside the home

12-20 Weeks of Age: Your puppy is a middle schooler

- Ease of learning may decrease at 16 weeks of age
- **Introduce learnt commands in new environments**
- Teach “drop it” and “leave it”
- Introduce restraint and handling techniques

6-12 Months of Age: Your puppy is a teenager

- Undesirable behaviours may be less tolerated due to an increase in puppy’s size and strength
- Training sessions can increase in difficulty and length
- Maintain the emphasis on positive social experiences
- **Prevention and management will help keep your puppy from learning and practicing unwanted behaviours**