

New Addition Checklist!

The items mandatory for adequate care are **highlighted** below. Many of the other listed items are simply listed as a reminder.



Basic Care

- ☐ Collar
- ☐ Leash
- ☐ \$ Crate
- ☐ Food bowl
- ☐ Bed
- ☐ Water bowl(s)
- ☐ Food (make sure to transition your new pets food appropriately. Always feel free to ask how)
- ☐ Poop bags
- ☐ Treats
- ☐ Toys List
 - ☐ Stuffed toys
 - ☐ Balls
 - ☐ Squeaky toys
 - ☐ Frisbees
 - ☐ Tug toys
 - ☐ Flirt Pole

- ☐ ID Tag
- ☐ Shampoo
- ☐ Nail Clippers
- ☐ \$ Pet insurance

Important People

- ☐ Veterinarian
- ☐ Groomer
- ☐ Trainer

\$\$\$ Items

- ☐ Crate
- ☐ Cameras
- ☐ Car Kennel
- ☐ Outdoor Kennel/X-pen
- ☐ Outdoor bath
- ☐ Pet Insurance

Training

- ☐ Longline
- ☐ Harness
- ☐ Treat pouch
- ☐ Clicker

Accessories

- ☐ Breathable Protective Shoes
- ☐ Raincoat
- ☐ Jacket
- ☐ Snowsuit

Outside

- ☐ Poop scoop
- ☐ Paw-safe salt
- ☐ \$ Kennel/X-Pen
- ☐ Kiddie Pool/Sprinkler

Enrichment

- ☐ Puzzles (Outward Hound)
- ☐ Kibble Toys
- ☐ Kongs/Topples
- ☐ Lick-mats
- ☐ Snuffle mats
- ☐ Long lasting chews
- ☐ Benebones

Grooming

- ☐ Conditioner
- ☐ Brush
- ☐ Comb
- ☐ Blowdryer
- ☐ Hose
- ☐ \$ Outdoor bath

DON'T FORGET!

It's easy to get wrapped up in the *excitement* of a new adoption and forget the (not so) little things. Enjoy the moment & leave the lists to us.

Our advice: Plan to focus on yourself, your family, and integrating your new companion for at least the first 3 days after initial adoption.

After this initial period, you will want to start thinking about the following;

VETERINARY CARE

☐ **Check all veterinary records given to you by CSDR and ensure you do not have any upcoming vet care duties.**

All necessary (and even some elective) vaccinations will be up to date on your newly adopted dog through CSDR, *with the exception of young puppies due to age restrictions*.

If you recently adopted a young puppy; be sure to follow your vaccine schedule exactly as given. These matters are **time sensitive and will need to be rescheduled by **you** if not followed.*

*The Rabies vaccine is required by state law for **ALL** dogs over the age of 16 weeks.*

*Exceptions can **only** be given by a state certified veterinarian directly.*

☐ **Is your new companion spayed/neutered yet?**

YES - NO

If NO, when is their sterilization date/time as discussed during adoption?;

Your predetermined spay/neuter hospital location (if applicable);

Potter League Spay & Neuter Clinic -
235 Elm st. Warwick RI, 02888

☐ **Do you have your new companion's next dose of flea, tick, and heartworm prevention?**

Check your adoption folder for your newly adopted companion's free dose of monthly parasite prevention, given to you during their adoption appointment.

The last date they were given prevention is likely written somewhere in their

records but it is OK to simply give them their next dose at the beginning of the following month, when you typically give your other pets prevention, or contact a CSDR representative for a more exact date if desired.

☐ **Have you chosen which prevention type you are going to purchase and use with your new pet long term?**

Choosing a prevention type can feel overwhelming because there are so many types and so many conflicting reviews.

Here's what we can say:

We tend to utilize the following brands of parasite prevention regularly with the animals in our care because they have been both recommended by our veterinarians, and we have had consistent good luck with their products throughout many years of usage.

Be sure to decide a combination that concludes with your companion being routinely protected from fleas, ticks, and heartworms at the minimum;

**Prevention Key ; F - Fleas / T - Ticks /
HW - Heartworms / IP - Intestinal
Parasites / RP - Repels Pests*

- ***Simparica Trio***
(F/T/HW/IP);

a monthly, prescription-only, flavored chewable tablet for dogs that protects against heartworm

disease, fleas, ticks, roundworms, and hookworms

- ***Heartgard Plus (HW/IP);***
a monthly, prescription-only, chewable medication for dogs used to prevent heartworm disease and treat and control infections from roundworms and hookworms

- ***Advantix II (F/T/RP);***
a monthly topical flea and tick preventative for dogs that also repels and kills mosquitoes, biting flies, and lice

- ***Bravecto (F/T);***
a chewable veterinary medication for dogs and cats that treats and prevents infestations of fleas and ticks

- ***ProHeart Injection (HW);***
an injectable medication given by a veterinarian to prevent heartworm disease in dogs for 6 or 12 months depending on chosen dosage.

☐ **Pet Insurance may sound like a *luxury* but it is truly worth it.**

Review some trusted pet insurance options below that supply policies for everything from regular vet care to major emergencies;

- Lemonade
- Embrace
- Progressive
- Healthy Paws

GROOMING

- ☐ **Based on the dog you adopted, is a regular groomer going to be necessary?**

Grooming minimums like baths, nail trims, ear cleanings, and mouth care is expected with any pet, but long-coated dogs will require extra coat management for life.

Either way, it is good to have a groomer in mind should your dog ever be sprayed by a skunk, injured in an unexpected way, or just *extremely* dirty, because life always happens.

FOOD & MEDICATIONS

- ☐ **Your companion's food & necessary medications while in foster care**

Brand;

Amount;

Medications & Supplements;
