

Bringing a new puppy home is such an exciting time!

Setting them up for success from the beginning is key.
When it comes to toilet training, consistency is key. Praise them when they go outside to reinforce good behaviour.



Accidents will happen, so be patient and never punish your puppy for mistakes.

With time and positive reinforcement, they'll learn what's expected of them.



Creating a consistent schedule for potty breaks helps your puppy understand when and where they should go.

It's also helpful to supervise your puppy closely indoors and watch for signs that they need to go outside, such as sniffing or circling. Using verbal praise when they eliminate outside reinforces the desired behaviour.



STEP ONE

Restrict their access to certain areas of your home initially. This helps you keep a closer eye on them and reduces the chances of accidents in places where you'd prefer them not to go.



By gradually expanding their access as they learn to control their bladder and understand that toilet is outside only. Gradually increasing your puppy's access to the house as they show improvement in toilet training is a good approach.

If your puppy starts having accidents after being given more freedom in the house, it's a sign that they may not be ready for that level of access yet.

In such cases, it's best to scale back and limit their access to certain areas.

STEP 2

Establishing a routine like taking your puppy out to the toilet using the same door after every nap and playtime is a great way to reinforce good potty habits.

By using the same door and creating a routine, your puppy will start associating the door with going outside to do their business.



Remember to put going to toilet on command so "TOILET" "POTTY" etc



If you are still having accidents after nap and play time make toilet more frequent. So instead of going out every 2 hours start with every 30 minutes then build up on your time.

The more you take them outside they quicker they will pick up on toilet time.

Sometimes it can take them a while so stand outside with them every time for at least 5 minutes.

STEP 3

Always verbally praise your puppy when they go to the toilet outside!

You can also consider using other forms of rewards such as a favorite toy or extra playtime. By associating going to the bathroom outside with enjoyable activities, you can further encourage and reinforce this positive behavior.

Puppies have limited bladder control, and their ability to hold their bladder improves as they grow older.

A general rule of thumb is that puppies can typically hold their bladders for about one hour for every month of age. However, this can vary from dog to dog.

As your puppy grows, they should gradually be able to hold their bladder for longer periods.



Using puppy pads indoors can sometimes confuse puppies about where they should go potty. It teaches them that toilet is inside as well as outside.

It's a good idea to transition away from using puppy pads once your puppy is around 10 weeks old.



By taking them outside consistently and establishing a routine, you can help them understand that going potty is outside.

Introducing your puppy to real grass for potty training from the beginning can help them associate the right surface with going potty.

Using fake grass indoors may make it challenging for them to differentiate between real and fake grass when they are outside. By starting with real grass, you can establish a clear understanding for your puppy about where they should be going potty.



To prevent your puppy from needing to use the toilet frequently during the night, gradually adjust their feeding schedule.

By feeding them earlier in the evening and ensuring they have ample time to digest their food before bedtime, you can help regulate their bathroom needs.

You can also remove their water 1 hour before bedtime!



If you'd like help with your puppy training, reach out to us to discuss our puppy packages and group training sessions.

