



UTILIZE THE FOLLOWING ENRICHMENT METHODS WITH PUPS:

SOUND STIMULATION

FROM AN EARLY AGE, I MAKE SURE TO DO COMMON LOUD HOUSEHOLD THINGS (EX: VACUUMING, PLAYING MUSIC, ETC) SO THAT ONCE THEY HIT 5 MONTHS & START FEELING FEAR, THEY WONT BE AFRAID OF THESE THINGS.

GROOMING DESENSITIZATION

TIP: WHEN PLAYING WITH PUP, TOUCH THEIR PAWS A LOT.- YOU AND/OR YOUR GROOMER WILL BE HAPPY YOU DID WHEN IT COMES TIME TO CLIP THEIR NAILS



NAME RECOGNITION

ONCE A NAME IS CHOSEN FOR PUPPY, THAT'S WHAT THEY ARE CALLED BY.

POTTY TRAINING

ALL PUPPIES ARE PAPER TRAINED, IF NOT WELL ON THEIR WAY TO BEING FULLY POTTY TRAINED, BY 8 WEEKS OLD. THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN ON ANY CARPET, IN HOPES TO AVOID DEVELOPING ANY BAD HABITS PRIOR TO THEM GOING HOME.

TWO TIPS I HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR POTTY TRAINING ARE:

-  THE FIRST THING EVERY PUPPY DOES WHEN THEY WAKE UP IS RUSH TO GO POTTY, SO TRY TO BRING THEM OUT RIGHT WHEN THEY WAKE UP (AND MAYBE EVEN AS MUCH AS EVERY ½ HR WHILE THEY'RE AWAKE AT FIRST) PREVENTION IS EVERYTHING – IF YOU ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR THEM TO GO POTTY INSIDE, YOU WILL ELIMINATE THE POSSIBILITY OF IT EVER BECOMING A PROBLEM
-  SHIH TZU'S ARE A BREED THAT DON'T HANDLE NEGATIVE DISCIPLINE (SPANKING, TIME OUTS, YELLING) WELL. THE BEST APPROACH IS POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT (EX: BUY TRAINING TREATS & WHEN YOU BRING THEM OUTSIDE TO GO POTTY, THE MIN THEY GET DONE GOING PRAISE THEM & GIVE THEM A TREAT) IF THEY DO HAVE AN ACCIDENT, IGNORE IT & CLEAN IT UP. IF YOU CATCH THEM IN THE ACT, STOP THEM & BRING THEM OUTSIDE. HAVING SHIH TZUS MY WHOLE LIFE THIS IS THE #1 BEST TIP I'VE EVER LEARNED. THERE'S SHIH TZU'S THAT THIS WORKS SO WELL ON THAT THEY ONLY EVER HAVE 2-3 ACCIDENTS THEN THEYRE FULLY POTTY TRAINED

RECOMMENDED WEBSITE

[HTTPS://WWW.AKC.ORG/DOG-BREEDS/SHIH-TZU/](https://www.akc.org/dog-breeds/shih-tzu/)

IN THE SUMMERTIME, DRAW CHALK AROUND YOUR PETS FOOD/WATER DISHES TO KEEP ANTS AWAY.

CHALK INTERFERES WITH THEIR ABILITY TO FOLLOW SCENT TRAILS LEFT BY OTHER ANTS SO THEY WONT CROSS OVER A CHALK LINE



I AM HERE FOR THE LIFE OF YOUR PUPPY SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR WANT ANY ADVICE.

I LOVE GETTING UPDATES AND SEEING PICTURES, SO PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH
CONGRATS, I KNOW YOU'LL LOVE THE NEW LITTLE ADDITION TO YOUR FAMILY TAKE CARE

