

Home Raised, Health Tested

Congratulations on your new puppy! Below you will find some helpful info so you can start preparing before puppy pickup.

• Puppies will be eating Victor Hi-Pro Plus dog food, which is available at Tractor Supply or online. Dry food is provided at all times. If you plan to transition to a different food, do so gradually and use probiotics (such as Bene-Bac Plus Gel) to prevent digestive upset.

• Small puppies are prone to hypoglycemia, which can be life-threatening. Ensure your puppy eats regularly and keep Nutri-Cal or corn syrup on hand as a precaution.

• When unsupervised, keep your puppy in a playpen or crate with a puppy pad, bed, blanket, and food/water bowls.

• Provide puppy-safe toys to ensure a safe play environment. Puppies, like toddlers, tend to explore the world by putting objects in their mouths. It is essential to monitor them closely and ensure that small or hazardous items are kept out of reach, as ingestion can lead to life-threatening obstructions. (e.g., hair elastics, rubber bands, paper clips, small kids toys, etc)

If using a leash, opt for a harness instead of a collar. Toy poodles are prone to tracheal collapse, and collars can pose a risk, especially if the puppy gets caught on something (e.g., inside a crate).

• A travel safety seat is recommended when transporting your puppy in a vehicle.

• Use puppy shampoo or mild baby shampoo during the first few months.

• Poodle coats require regular grooming. They mat easily and should be brushed and combed frequently using a metal comb (I recommend a flea comb for cleaning around the eyes).

• Keep baby or puppy wipes on hand for quick cleanups.

• Tails have been "long docked" (¼ off) I no longer remove front dewclaws after researching the pros and cons, so be sure to trim your puppy's nails regularly and don't forget the front dewclaws (thumbs)

• Your puppy will have received deworming and the first set of vaccinations (records are included). The second vaccination is due around 10-11 weeks of age, or as recommended by your veterinarian.

• Begin brushing your puppy's teeth early using a puppy-safe toothpaste to establish good dental hygiene habits.

• Keep your puppy off public ground until two weeks after their final vaccination to minimize the risk of illness.

• Expect crying during the first few nights, which is completely normal. Your puppy has never been alone before, and this is a major transition. Please be patient—this phase will pass!

Payment Information:

The remaining balance must be paid in cash at or before pickup. (Most digital payment services such as Zelle or Venmo have daily limits, so please plan accordingly.) I am always available for any questions or advice. I have included helpful links below for your reference.

https://www.chewy.com/victor-classic-hi-pro-plus-formula/dp/120690

https://www.chewy.com/petag-bene-bac-plus-gel-digestive/dp/135925?utm\_source=googl e-product&utm\_medium=cpc&utm\_campaign=20648416049&utm\_content=&gad\_source= 1&gbraid=0AAAAADmQ2V3UpTxBObsO47DEQ9SdnKZ9S&gclid=Cj0KCQjwlvW2BhDyAR IsADnle-lh2KkloPH82MQc9BTSQFXLIK55zrVx5\_rCAdoHTmnmtkp-FPYzSQaAqHYEALw\_ wcB

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