

FYI POINTS

- ü This is to be viewed following “Crate Training Guidelines” and should, as a result prevent you from having to escort your puppy outside several times per night.
- ü If regular bed time is between 10pm and 10:30pm, your puppy’s last meal should be served at 3pm
- ü Accordingly, if Your regular bed time is 10-10:30pm, your puppy will wake up between 5-5:30am
- ü If your regular bed time is 11pm or beyond, your puppy’s last meal should be served at 4pm accordingly, if your regular bed time is 11-11:30pm your puppy will wake up between 6-6:30am.
- ü Your puppy’s water should be moved outside of their reach after 7pm
- ü However, this does not mean that if your puppy is thirsty that it should not be given what it needs. This simply indicates that from 7pm on (until the next morning) its water consumption should be regulated so as to prevent excessive urination; use only a few ounces at a time.
- ü Never feed or water your puppy in its crate; if you will be gone for relatively long periods of time, place ice cubes in the crate with them. This will keep your puppy hydrated and will prevent him or her from spilling large quantities of water in their cage, as a small to medium sized ice cube will inevitably melt, but will not fill the crate or significantly soak their bedding.
- ü Selection of a specific “potty” area is key as it accomplishes two things: #1- your puppy will not use your entire yard as it pleases (also note that female’s urine contains higher levels of acids, which result in unsightly “yellow spots” on your lawn, thus increasing the importance of a specific potty area). #2-when you take your puppy out at night so that it may “potty”, it will select that area it is most comfortable or familiar with *(made by scent) thus shortening necessary bathroom breaks.
- ü It is also important to note that you should, after waking up in the morning take your puppy out as soon as possible, preventing any accidents inside the house or crate. Allow enough time for your puppy to pee two and three times and poop twice (if necessary). If you notice your puppy running around after its’ first urination, acting as if “it is play time”... allow it a few more minutes as it is likely he or she is not quite done. This will prevent any accidents inside the house, as usually between the time you pick up your puppy and get him or her back inside, they’re ready to go again, and will.
- ü Patience is KEY!