### **Woodward Bulldogs**

## **New Puppy Information**

#### Food

We feed all of our **English and French** bulldog puppies Purina puppy (Exclusive signature- teal bag). Also known as Purina Pro Plan Puppy Focus.

If you wish to switch your puppy to a different food we advise to gradually switch them over by mixing the Purina with the new food. If it is not done gradually they may have upset tummies and loose stools.

We follow the recommended feeding guidelines according to the weight of the puppy and split up the recommended feeding amount into two feedings – morning (around 7-8) and evening (around 4-6). We recommend PRE-MOISTENING their food still for several weeks after you take them home. We do not leave food out for them to snack all day long or else they will poop all day long.

We recommend adhering to the feeding guidelines on whichever food you choose to feed your puppy. **Overweight bulldogs are prone to health issues.** 

#### Water

We recommend having water set out with their food twice daily and periodically offer during the day, especially during the summer. If you are potty training we recommend not letting water sit out all day for them to drink and not offering it after 6-7 pm.

## **Treats**

We have only ever used the Milk Bone Brand(red box) – tiny bones. Just remember they cannot have anything Greenie brand as far as treats nor can they have rawhides.

## Ear Care/face care

We use Walmart/Target brand sensitive/fragrance free baby wipes to clean their faces and ears daily/every other day. These wipes can also be used to wipe their body down if they urinate on themselves in their kennel if you don't have time for a bath.

## **Bathing**

We use the "Wahl" brand puppy shampoo that is found at Menards. We can send you a picture of that. You may use whatever shampoo you would like but we suggest something gentle for the first few baths.

### **TOYS**

Bulldogs can NOT have anything "Greenie" brand. They cannot digest it. They can NOT have RAW HIDES either for the same reason.

We recommend Nyla Bones, Kongs (size appropriate), anything rubber. Bulldogs cannot have any toys with YARN/loose ROPE. (We know of one of our puppies that passed away due to swallowing a piece of yarn).

## **Kennel Training/Potty Training**

We have kennel trained our adult dogs since they were puppies. This is totally up to you whether you do this with your puppy but here is a little information on how we have been successful.

We recommend starting with the smallest plastic (easy to clean) kennel they will fit in. (Smaller space = less space for them to potty/poop in). Then we gradually increased kennel size as they grew. Puppies are going to pee overnight in their kennel because their bladders are so small. They will also probably poop in there a few times the first couple of weeks until you figure out their eating/pooping schedule. Our dogs only utilize their kennels at night and during the day when we are not home. During the day when we are home we take the puppies outside every 1-2 hours (similar to potty training a toddler). They do not have total access to water – if they do they will pee all over the house lol.

# Microchips

Your puppy is already microchipped. You will need to register your puppy. Please visit the website on the card - <u>BuddyID.com</u>

## **Vaccinations**

Your puppy has had it's Neo Par at 4, 5, 7 weeks of age and then it's 8 week Nobivac vaccination and de-wormer (given by us) and will be due for it's 12 week booster vaccination in 4 weeks if you are picking up an 8 week old puppy. Some vets choose to do another booster at 10 weeks so please call your vet to schedule an appointment.

We use the Animal Clinic in Frankfort, KS for all of our Bulldogs. Their phone number is 785-292-4628.

## **Loose Stools**

If your puppy is experiencing loose stools and still eating and drinking you may try putting a tablespoon of canned pumpkin on their food. This helps settle their tummies and firms up their stool.

Thank you for choosing Woodward Bulldogs and congratulations on your new family member! We enjoy seeing pictures/videos of our puppies as they grow, feel free to send them or post to the Facebook page.

If you have any questions/concerns please feel free to text or call either one of us.

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