



Puppy Take Home Instructions

Congratulations on your new family member :) Your puppy is on your schedule now! It can take 2-3 days for a puppy to begin to feel comfortable in their new surroundings. You and your puppy's success will come from setting up a feeding, potty and training routine. Right now your puppy is accustomed to eating between 7-7:30am, 12-12:30pm and 5:30-6pm. Potty breaks, as soon as they wake and within 15 minutes of eating.

Feeding

- Feed 1-2 cups per day (divided into 3 meals) gradually increasing to keep an optimal body condition score. Goldendoodles are fluffy, so get in there with your hands and feel the waistline/ribs, you should be able to feel the ribs with a small layer of fat on top. <https://www.wsava.org/sites/default/files/Body%20condition%20score%20chart%20dogs.pdf> Life's Abundance dog food can be ordered through the nutrition tab on my Beck Kennel website or this link will take you directly to my Life's Abundance store front <https://www.lifesabundance.com/Home.aspx?realname=20257716&cat=0&hdr=&Ath=False>
- First 3 days give 1/2 cup 3x per day. Once you get an idea of how much they eat, feed what you believe is necessary. Always give them as much food as they want the morning. As they grow you will need to increase the amount of food they eat. You will notice as they get a bit older they will eat more in the morning meal.
- After about 2-3 months, or whenever pup seems less interested in lunch, switch to feeding twice per day.
- Clean the water dish everyday and wipe the slime from the bottom of the dish., that is bacteria and can make your puppy sick.
- If you need them to "go" you can add a little canned Life's Abundance or up to 1 TBLS of pure canned pumpkin (not pie filling) to their food, just don't make it a habit. Pure pumpkin is good to have on hand for either diarrhea or constipation.
- If puppy doesn't eat within 10 minutes, pick up the food until his/her next meal.
- Keep fresh water available at all times. Take away 3 hours before bedtime when potty training.

NuVet Immune System Builder

Dogs need 53 vitamins and nutrients, the supplement will provide your pup with the other vitamins and nutrients that are not provided in the food.

- Start with 1/2 tablet, once they reach 20lbs a full tablet.
- Order NuVet here: <https://www.nuvet.com/customer-lps/BeckKennel/BeckKennel.html>

Training

- Keep training sessions short, 2-3 minutes with rest in between a few times per day. End each session in a positive note!
- Do NOT pet your puppy if/when they jump to greet you or others. Keeping them on a leash can help if you have any issues.. keep one foot on the leash to prevent jumping. Once the pup settles and sits nicely your guests can pet them.
- DO pet your puppy and praise when they sit nicely next to you.

- When the puppy is doing something you like, praise them with attention.
- Puppies tire quickly, if they become unruly they may need a nap.
- The “NO” Noise. Can be any obnoxious sound, however everyone in family must be able to make noise, especially kids.
- Bedtime the first few nights... Give them their snuggle puppy & blanket. Keep their kennel near where the pup can see you and you can physically touch them.
- Life’s Abundance Training Treats or string cheese are great for daily training sessions. I cut them in very, very small pieces! Braunschweiger is great for a high valued treat.. small amounts!
- Practice recall in the house and yard using Braunschweiger.
- Puppies nip & chew, this is normal behavior, <http://www.drjensdogblog.com/living-with-jaws-a-survival-guide-for-puppy-mouthing/> If puppy is well rested, redirect a nipping puppy with a toy. Yogurt or peanut butter frozen in a Kong can relieve sore gums due to teething and a great boredom buster. I like to wet rope toys and freeze as well.. have plenty of available toys, goldendoodles can be heavy chewers. <https://www.kongcompany.com/recipes/>
- Watch for normal puppy fear periods during the first year, do not coddle a fear stage as this will enforce this type of behavior.
- Teach pup their name by tagging it on the end of puppy puppy, after a few days drop puppy puppy. **NO** excited or over emotional greeting when you come and go... this creates separation anxiety.
- Your puppy has been conditioned to a clicker. Here are a few tips on using a clicker for training. There are also plenty of YouTube videos on clicker training. <http://www.video.clickertraining.com/free-01?source=nf>
- Leash training, let the puppy drag the leash to become accustomed to it. Umbilical cord training works great for potty training too. https://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/4_4/features/5164-1.html

Healthy Hygiene

- Use Life’s Abundance Ear Cleaner in dog’s ears once a week.
- Floppy eared dogs are more prone to ear infections so make sure to smell ears once a week and if they smell funny make sure to clean them.
- Use Life’s Abundance shampoo as needed. Dilute the shampoo by at least 50% and bathe as often as you like. Follow up with the Life’s Abundance spray mist.
- Give puppy a massage before you start to comb them. Brushing/combing should be done often with a slicker brush or a wide tooth metal comb.
- Safari dematting comb works great for getting out matted fur, but use sparingly as dematting tools damage the coat and can cause more matting.
- A short “puppy” trip to the groomer when they are small can produce a positive experience for grooming to come. Handle paws with slight pressure, look in ears & mouth daily.. make it positive. Hug them tight until they submit as a vet may need to restrain them at some point.
- Check nail length and trim with caution to avoid the quick. Nails should not click on the floor. Keep Quick Stop on hand incase you trim too closely. Give treats after trimming each nail in the beginning. <http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/trimming-your-dogs-toenails/>
- No puppies chewing on fingers. Use Life’s Abundance Porky Puffs for chewing. Dental Chews for keeping teeth clean. <https://vcahospitals.com/know-your-pet/preparing-your-puppy-for-a-lifetime-of-good-hygiene>

Vaccinations!

- Puppy will need a booster set of shots in 3-4 weeks with your vet.

- Schedule your first vet appointment within 5 days of take home and be sure to take in a stool sample for a fecal check. Bring along the current immunization records located in your puppy's take home folder so your vet can add them to your new puppy's health records. Your vet will discuss the boosters to come in your first appointment.
- No dog parks, pet stores or unfamiliar dogs until ALL shots, including rabies, have been given at 4 months of age.
- However, **socialization is crucial** so familiar dogs that you know have been vaccinated are allowed to play with your pup.

Microchip!

Your puppy has a Smart Tag microchip ID between the shoulder blades and you will need to create an account to register your pup (free) at www.idtag.com/user/register. Microchip barcodes are affixed to your contract as well as the puppy's first vet exam documents, all inside the take home folder.

Exercise & Joint Health!

Owners are pushing their young puppies to dangerous levels of over exerting undeveloped young joints causing hip issues later in life. Please follow the exercise recommendations in your Puppy Culture booklet provided in your take home folder. www.puppyculture.com/new-appropriate-exercise.

Potty Training!

When you finally arrive home, take your puppy to their new potty spot outside... BEFORE you take them in the house. Take them out the same door and to the same location each time. I don't consider a puppy fully potty trained until they go one month with no accidents. Puppies will have accidents, be sure to clean up with Life's Abundance Biodeodorizer Spray to remove the scent.

1. Set a timer for every 30 minutes for puppy to go outside.
2. When they are successful at 30 minutes, increase the time to 45 and keep increasing by increments of 15 minutes.
3. If an accident occurs, reduce the time by 15 minutes.
4. When potty training, puppy belongs 1 of 3 places.
 - a. Directly playing with you, adult, not children unless adult supervised.
 - b. In his/her kennel
 - c. On a leash tied to something in the house (Umbilical Cord Training) to be close to you but not have the ability to sneak off and have an accident.

Normal Dog Temperature – 100.5 – 102.5.

Get a digital thermometer for your puppy to take a temp if they don't look well. Call your vet if over 102.5.

Daily Routine:

1. Massage
2. Comb being cautious of dew claws
3. Pet between toes & check nails
4. Check the ears for infection (put in Life's Abundance ear cleaner once a week)
5. Check collar (2 finger rule)
6. Clean eye boogers

7. Combine the Ultimate Puppy prevention exercises with a thorough socialization regime, effective structure and boundaries and you'll have it nailed. http://www.ultimatepuppy.com/up_site/wp-content/UPchart/

Don't Forget!! Think prevention versus cure ;)