

Congratulations on Your Dog Adoption



We know how exciting bringing home a new companion is, and we also know that you might have questions or need support along the way. For basic pet care tips, please visit aspca.org/behavior or call us at 724-588-6161.

THE BASICS

Food: Strayhaven Animal Shelter is part of the Tractor Supply Company '4 Health' Dog Food Program. Your dog/puppy has been eating 4 Health Chicken and Rice (unless otherwise noted) in the following amounts:

Adult Dogs (over 6 months) Feed two times daily	Puppies (under 6 months) Feed three times daily
Canned:	Canned:
Kibble:	Kibble:

If you wish to change the brand of food, we recommend that you purchase another nutritious dog food and introduce it gradually by mixing the current food in with the new food. We also recommend providing food only at mealtimes. Leaving food out for your dog to eat whenever they want can lead to obesity and other diseases.

Water: Provide fresh water in a clean bowl daily. Your dog should have access to the water at all times.

Leash Safety: We recommend you always walk your dog with the leash attached to the equipment provided at the time of adoption. Never allow your dog to be off leash unless they are in a fully enclosed space to avoid them running off or encountering another animal. We also do not recommend taking your new pet to a dog park until you have gotten to know them better.

The Honeymoon Stage: Adopting a new family member is exciting, but there will likely be an adjustment period for both you and your new pet. There may be times when you feel overwhelmed and have second thoughts about your adoption. It's important to remember that during the transition period, your dog may display behaviors that were not discussed at the time of adoption. It's normal and to be expected. It may take time for your new pet to adjust to your routine. For example, the dog came from living in a shelter, where walks, meals, and bathroom breaks are at scheduled times, and in your home, that may be different.

If you experience any behavior challenges, we encourage you to journal the behavior and contact us at 724-588-6161 if you need support. You may also look into training with **Dogology Manners or Canine Campus in Hubbard, OH**

ADOPTION PACKET

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