**PUPPY CARE AND INFO**

**Congratulations on the new addition!** Please keep this as a reference sheet in regards to the care of your puppy. You may need to modify the schedule to fit your needs, this is a guide of what your puppy is used to in our care.

**Crate –** puppies have been in a 24” wire crate, if you get a larger crate, get one with a divider so you can make it smaller initially. The 36” with a divider is ideal and your puppy will not outgrow. We use a towel in the bottom of our crates that we launder as needed.

**Food -** our puppies TLC Whole Life Puppy Food which is available online only. We have seen a great difference in all of our dogs and puppies since switching to this premium food. We have a coupon for $5 off, when we you pick your puppy up. We will provide enough food to last you a few days and give you time to order this food. Currently the puppies eat 2x a day. We allow them to eat how much they want (start out with1/2 cup) for 15 mins then take away. This helps with housebreaking your puppy. If you allow them to nibble all day it will be more difficult to time potty breaks. After your puppy eats they will need to go potti in 10- 15 minutes.

**Water –** we offer water 5 x a day on average. Don’t leave a bowl of water out until your puppy is older and has better bladder control. We cut the water off at 7 p.m. This helps your puppy make it through the night without a potti break.

**Vet –** your puppy has been to our vet, had 1st vaccinations, and we have administered all dewormings. You will find the dates on your receipt. Your puppy needs to go to the vet within 2 to 3 weeks to get a booster shot and dewormed again. You will also need to discuss flea control and get your puppy on a monthly deworming programming, a lot of times that can be combined into 1 pill. Your vet will then tell you when to come back for rabies vaccination and neuter/spay.

**Collar & leash –** now is a good time to put a collar on your puppy and start leash training. The puppy will be old enough to start going on “walks” when it is around 12 weeks old. If you go on a walk now the puppy will need to be carried most of the way.

**Bathing –** I only wash the puppies as needed, if they don’t look clean or don’t smell clean go ahead and give them a bath, otherwise do a good brushing at least 1x a week.

 **Our schedule:**

7 AM – take out of crate and straight out to potti (carry them, they gotta go bad and will go in floor if you just let them out)

7:30 AM – Feed, then back out to potti 15 mins later.

Throughout day, take potti every 3 hours. I put them in the crate when I can’t watch them and take them out to potti everytime I take them out of the crate. When I take them outside is when I offer them water and then allow them 10 to mins to play. At this time they play hard 15 to 20 mins then sleep for 3 to 4 hours.

5 PM – Feed, same as morning

7 PM – No more water!

10:30 – In crate for bed.

**Send us pictures!!!**