

Getting Ready for Your New Dog

The companion you adopt from Muttley Crew comes with a collar and a leash. Little girls come with red, little boys get blue. You may want to consider using a harness on your dog. We also supply a Muttley Crew identification tag.

Crate:

We strongly recommend you continue to crate train your dog. For economical purposes, you may want to buy a crate that the dog will fit into adulthood. You will need to partition the crate to make a smaller sleeping area as a puppy. Do not put food and water in the crate while you are gone.

Food:

Your new dog has been on a diet consisting of a combination of Nutro, Royal Canin, Natures Recipe, and occasionally Science Diet. If the dog is under one year of age, he/she will need to be given puppy food.

Cookies:

Cookies are considered a staple at their foster home! Hard mini bones, Meaty Bones, Puperoni, Beggin' Strips, Dogwiches, and Chewy T-Bonz are among the treats given.

Toys:

There were a variety of toys your new dog had available to play with in their foster home, from balls to stuffed animals. You will want to find the type of toy your dog prefers. We found that in the case of stuffed toys, if it makes a noise other than a squeak, it seems to last longer (well, a little longer).

Items you will need to purchase are:

Crate

Bowls

Toys

Dog bed, blanket, or comforter

Treats

Simple Solution or Nature's Miracle

Harness – (recommended)

Don't forget the Pooper Scooper!

We recommend you buy a Kong so you can fill it with peanut butter or cookies for an hour or so of playtime.

We bathe our foster dogs using liquid dish detergent. Preferably Ivory. It kills fleas (there is no 10 minute wait for it to work) and it leaves a pleasant smell.

When a dog comes into our program we normally do not know what their name was. If we do, we change it so the dog can "disassociate" with it's past. You are welcome to change your new dog's name. It normally will take about 3 – 5 days for them to learn their new name, you will need to use it frequently.

Workday Schedule:

6:00am Outside to potty, drink and play

8:00am in crate with handful of hard cookies

6:00pm Outside to potty, drink, and play

7:00pm Dinner

7:30pm More playtime

12:30am - 1:00am last call for potty and drink

1:00am in crate for bedtime with soft cookies