

# Wrinkly Tips for Your New Family Member

Thank you for trusting us with your future wrinkly baby, we are excited to have you be a part of Our Wrinkly Bulldog Family. You are receiving an excellent and healthy Wrinkly Bulldog with that also comes a huge responsibility. This document contains some friendly wrinkly bulldog tips as well as some recommendations. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact us, remember we are here to help and are available 24/7.

### Feeding

We don't recommend going fully raw or grain-free because of potentially serious health consequences. Bulldogs need their grain so DON'T be tempted to feed strictly grain free. Too much protein and no grains can lead to life threatening heart problems in bulldogs especially dilated cardiomyopathy.Feed your puppy 2-3, we use VICTOR Classic Professional Formula Dry Dog Food (purple bag) please keep in mind you can only purchase this Dog food on amazon or chewy.com, we strongly recommend chewy.com they're fast, efficient and offer exceptional customer service. <a href="https://www.chewy.com/victor-classic-professional-formula/dp/120686">https://www.chewy.com/victor-classic-professional-formula/dp/120686</a>. Process: Add 3 cups of hot water per 1 cup of dry food and wait approximately 15 minutes till it gets warm and soft (It is a recommendation for the upcoming weeks). We don't use any other supplements, and most of the time the puppy doesn't need it. Your puppy should have water available (24 hours). If you want to give your puppy another brand of food, we recommend you to do the change it right aways but gradually as it may cause diarrhea and an upset stomach, with that said we suggest the 1<sup>st</sup> day: 80% VICTOR DRY FOOD/ 20% New food; 2<sup>nd</sup> day: 60% VICTOR DRY FOOD / 40% New food; 3<sup>rd</sup> day: 40% VICTOR DRY FOOD / 60% New food; 4<sup>th</sup> day: 20% VICTOR DRY FOOD / 80% New food,

## Public places

We STRONGLY recommend that you DO NOT take your puppy to public places or have him/her be around other puppies until he/she is old enough and has completed ALL vaccinations. Be aware that they are babies, so please try to be as careful as possible with them. (Public places such as parks, malls, or any other places that may present a risk for the puppy's health).

### Veterinary

Try to get a trusty vet so you can avoid unnecessary expenses. The puppy should arrive with all shots to date (2 months) and the next vaccines are necessary in 2 or 4 weeks (Be strict with your puppy vaccine's plan). We recommend you to take the puppy to the vet within the first 3 days, do all the exams needed so you can check your puppy's health. If you don't do this, the health certificate giving by us is enough to determine the puppy's health. The deworming treatment should be done once a month or the times recommended by your vet.

### **Special Cares**

If you have more pets in your house, be sure they are healthy enough so they don't affect the puppy's health; it wont be an issue as long as they are healthy and up to date with their vaccines.

### Bath, Nails, Ears, Nose and Wrinkles

<u>Bath-</u> We recommend regular bathing or grooming every 7-10 days to keep your baby clean and healthy! If your bulldog stays mostly indoors (and as long as you do daily cleaning of nose rope and wrinkles in between), you could bathe every two weeks.

<u>Nose Rope and Wrinkles-</u> Every Night, take a warm soft warm soapy washcloth; lift and wipe underneath your puppy's nose rope; also use washcloth to clean in between wrinkles. Get DESITIN diaper rash cream. (purple and white tube) and spread a pea size amount under the nose rope, folds, and wrinkles every couple of days after its been cleaned. With a clean make-up brush, apply baby powder over the Desitin to set the ointment. This also helps to keep the area dry and prevents bacteria and staining. **Rule of thumb**: Red Yeast is caused by excess moisture and bacteria, (same culprits that cause diaper rash). Treat a puppy's nose rope and wrinkles just as you would a baby's diaper rash.

<u>Ears-</u>Squeeze ear cleaning solution (we recommend DECHRA, you can find it on amazon) to fill your dog's ear canal and massage gently at the base of the ear for about 30 seconds. You'll hear a squishing sound as the solution dislodges debris and buildup. Don't let the tip of the applicator touch your dogs ears this can introduce germs or bacteria. When buildogs develop allergies, their ears take a defensive position and excrete allergens to fight bacterial offenders. The

"battle" allows yeast to grow in their damp ear canal leaving the ear dirty and allowing reddish bacteria buildup in their ear canals that can lead to infection.

<u>Nails-</u> How do you cut your Wrinkly bulldog's nails the right way? Well, you will need to find a way to handle their foot firmly but gently at the same time. Then you will need to trim just a little past the tip of the toenail, and you must stop any bleeding immediately after. It might be hard for you to know when to cut your dog's nails, especially if you live in a place with soft or carpeted floors. A general sign of when it's time to make the cut is when you start to hear your dog's nails clicking on the hard floor as they walk. The clacking is a sign that the nails are overgrown because it's really the sound of the nails meeting the floor and then scraping against it as they splay out to the left or right. Another sign of overgrown nails is when your dog runs on those same hard floors. If you notice them sliding around, it's because their overgrown nails aren't allowing them to get adequate footing. If you do not have any hard floors to go by, then you should follow the general rule of trimming: approximately once a week. That way, there's no chance that the nails will grow too long.

#### Weather and Exercise

Overheating and heat stroke is the leading cause of sudden DEATHS in Bulldogs. Although exercise is encouraged, Bulldogs are a different breed and should not be going on long walks or strenuous activity even in the mildest weather. Although they might look "fine" Bulldogs don't have sweat glands and have no way to expel heat. They can and will overheat quickly and could literally die within seconds. If for any reason your Bulldog starts panting, heaving and overheating, hose him quickly with cold (low pressure) tap water for at least 1 minute. Concentrate the cold water on the body and top of the head (avoid getting water in their nose or mouth especially if they are panting) DO NOT get water inside their mouth or nose it can cause them to aspirate. If your Bulldog overheats, it is URGENT that you cool them down quickly and get them out of the heat immediately.

**Note:** We suggest you read about the breed if its your first time having an English Bulldog, this breed is amazing but also require a lot of care and responsibilities. If you have any additional questions feel free to contact us anytime.