

## Shopping List

This is a list of things you will need prior to your puppy coming home.

Crate minimum of 24 x 36 in dimension or 33 x 42 if you have the room. I recommend a wire crate, they are lighter weight and cooler.

I use old towels or lightweight easy to launder fleece blankets found at the Dollar Store or any retail outlet like Meijer or Walmart. Get a couple, easy to wash, fast drying and their the perfect size.

Dog Food: We are feeding Diamond Puppy Food. This is in a purple and pink bag. Buy 40lbs. Do not change foods until your puppy has gone through almost all this bag. This is a well balanced economical food. If you want to feed another brand after the first month, switch gradually.

Leash a 6' leather leash is best,  $\frac{3}{4}$  wide. This will last a lifetime, its a good investment. Easy on the hands wont cause burns if it slides like nylon. This is sort of like expensive rawhide...keep it our of your dogs reach. They will chew it.

1" wide adjustable martingale collar (as an adult) Puppies grow so rapidly I recommend an inexpensive nylon collar that you can put a tag on. Keep an eye on it and adjust to allow for growth.

Heavy weighted dog food bowl. Ceramic are nice and you can wash in the dishwasher. Don't start 'small' get an adult size.

2 quart stainless steel water bucket. If you put it in the dog crate a snap clip (both ends) to attach in corner.

### Toys

Latex are best, very difficult to destroy.

Hard or solid rubber are durable

Chew Bones, Hard Knuckle style, do not give bones from your meals.

Nylabones

Tennis balls, keep an eye out some dogs destroy them, if your pup does, do not allow.

Fluff N Tuff toys are very durable, pricey but last forever.

Do NOT give old shoes or socks....they don't know old from new