



REQUIREMENTS TO ENTER TRAINING

PROOF OF CURRENT VACCINATIONS FROM YOUR VETERINARIAN ARE REQUIRED WHEN YOUR PUP RETURNS TO WILDROSE FOR TRAINING. PLEASE BRING THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION WHEN THE DOG ARRIVES.

REQUIRED VACCINATIONS:

- COMPLETE SERIES OF PUPPY VACCINATIONS IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR OLD.
- OVER A YEAR OLD, CURRENT (ANNUAL BOOSTER) ON COMBINATION VACCINE COVERING DISTEMPER, ADENOVIRUS, PARAINFLUENZA, PARVOVIRUS, CORONA AND LEPTOSPIRA BACTERIA.
- BORRELIA BURGDORFERI BACTERIN (LYME DISEASE) VACCINATION – SERIES OF TWO SHOTS GIVEN 3 TO 4 WEEKS APART, THEN AN ANNUAL BOOSTER.
- BORDETELLA BRONCHISEPTICA (KENNEL COUGH) – TWO CONSECUTIVE VACCINATIONS FOLLOWED BY A BOOSTER EVERY 6 MONTHS.
- CANINE INFLUENZA H₃N₂ AND H₃N₈ – SERIES OF TWO SHOTS GIVEN 3-4 WEEKS APART
- RABIES – FOLLOW YOUR STATE LAW. IN MISSISSIPPI IT IS ANNUAL BUT SOME STATES ARE EVERY THREE YEARS.
- PROHEART 6 FOR HEARTWORM PREVENTION (6 MONTH SHOT)

PHYSICAL BY VET NO MORE THAN ONE WEEK BEFORE ARRIVAL.

- TESTED NEGATIVE FOR INTESTINAL PARASITES, INCLUDING COCCIDIA AND GIARDIA, AND HEARTWORMS.
- FREE OF FLEAS, TICKS AND EAR MITES. NAILS TRIMMED AND TEETH, EARS, INSPECTED AND CLEANED.
- NEGATIVE HEARTWORM TEST-IF OVER 1 YEAR OLD
- THE DOG SHOULD BE ON AN INTESTINAL PARASITE PREVENTION PROGRAM GIVEN MONTHLY PRIOR TO ARRIVAL. YOU MAY CHOOSE TO PROVIDE A 5/6 MONTH SUPPLY OF WORMING AND FLEA/TICK PREVENTION MEDICATION WITH YOUR DOG AT ARRIVAL, OR WILDROSE WILL MEDICATE YOUR DOG MONTHLY AND THE APPROPRIATE CHARGES ADDED TO YOUR TRAINING BILL.

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IF YOU ARRIVE WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION OR DO NOT MEET THESE REQUIRMENTS, YOU WILL BE DIRECTED TO THE ANIMAL CLINIC OF OXFORD TO HAVE THIS COMPLETED PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT IN THE WILDROSE TRAINING PROGRAMS.

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WHAT NOT TO DO

- I. Do **NOT** DO ANY HIGH IMPACT ACTIVITIES WITH YOUR DOG BEFORE IT REACHES 15 MONTHS OF AGE, TO PROTECT THE DOG'S JOINTS. THIS INCLUDES JUMPING IN AND OUT OF VEHICLES AND JUMPING FROM ELEVATED PLATFORMS/OBJECTS ONTO HARD SURFACES. AVOID ALLOWING PUPS TO RUN OR SLIDE ON SLICK FLOORS OR STAIRS (HARD WOOD, TILE, LINOLEUM).
2. DOG SHOULD **NOT** BE OVERWEIGHT CARRYING EXCESSIVE BODY FAT FOR HIS/HER SIZE AND AGE.
3. HEALTH GUARANTEES ARE **NOT** TRANSFERRABLE AND ARE VOID IF THE DOG HAS BEEN BRED BEFORE 2 YEARS OF AGE, SPAYED/NEUTERED BEFORE REACHING 14 MONTHS OF AGE, OR IF HEALTH CARE HAS NOT BEEN PROPERLY MAINTAINED.
4. Do **NOT** INAPPROPRIATELY EXPOSE THE YOUNG DOG TO GUNFIRE. NO SURPRISE SHOTS OR "TESTING". INTRODUCE PROGRESSIVELY FOLLOWING THE WILDROSE WAY.
5. Do **NOT** HUNT YOUR DOG BEFORE COMPLETING THE BASIC RETRIEVER TRAINING COURSE.
6. **No** CHEW TOYS. YOUR DOG WILL DEVELOP MOUTH/DELIVERY PROBLEMS AS WELL AS DEVELOPING "POSSESSIVE" BEHAVIORS. YOU CAN PROVIDE ZUKE'S BONES FOR CHEWING AND DENTAL CARE WHICH ARE TO BE CONSUMED IN THEIR CRATE.
7. **No** TUG-OF-WAR OR CHASE GAMES. YOUR DOG WILL BECOME ASSERTIVE, INDEPENDENT AND WILL NOT RETURN WITH A BUMPER.
8. **No** FREE SWIMMING. THE PUP WILL NOT COME OUT WHEN CALLED.
9. **No** CONSISTENT FREE RUNNING ACTIVITY, WHICH WE CALL AN "INDEPENDENT FROLIC." YOU WILL PRODUCE A RUNNER.
10. **No** CONSISTENT PLAYING WITH OTHER DOGS OUT OF CONTROL. YOUR DOG WILL DO THE SAME IN TRAINING AND ON THE HUNT.
- II. **No** DISTURBING THE PUPPY WHILE EATING.

12. **No** SURPRISING LOUD NOISES. GET THE PUP'S ATTENTION BEFORE INTRODUCING DISTRACTIONS. **No** SURPRISES THAT COULD CREATE A FEAR FACTOR.
13. **No** ABRUPT INTRODUCTIONS TO WATER OR INTRODUCTIONS IN COLD WEATHER IN COLD WATER.
14. **Do NOT** OVEREXCITE THE DOG WITH MEANINGLESS, REPETITIOUS RETRIEVES. **REQUIRE** PATIENCE IN ALL THINGS.
15. **Do NOT** GIVE YOUR PUP RAWHIDES OR PIG'S EAR CHEWS. THEY CAN CAUSE UPSET STOMACHS AND LARGE PIECES CAN BE INGESTED REQUIRING SURGERY.
16. **No** CHASING THE PUP. IT TEACHES THEM TO RUN.
17. **DON'T** LEAVE THE PUP UNSUPERVISED IN THE HOUSE. PLACE OR THE CRATE IS THE EXPECTABLE LOCATION FOR A PUP IN THE HOME. **No** FREE ROAMING.
18. **No** FREE CHOICE FOOD OR WATER UNTIL A MORE MATURE AGE.
19. FEED A BALANCED DIET OF FOOD **NOT** TO EXCEED 28/16 TO 18 % PROTEIN/FAT RATIO FOR THE ACTIVE YOUNG DOG. FEED SHOULD INCLUDE OMEGA 6 AND 3 FATTY ACIDS WITH A CALCIUM AND PHOSPHOROUS RATIO AROUND 1.0. PRO PLAN SPORT 30/20 IS ONLY ADVISED FOR THE HARD-WORKING ADULT DOG AND THEN BODY WEIGHT/ CONDITION MUST BE CLOSELY MONITORED TO KEEP THE BODY CONDITION AT 4.5 TO 5 ON A SCALE OF 9. SEE THE ATTACHED PURINA BODY CONDITION SYSTEM SHEET FOR DETAILS.



STARTING YOUR PUPPY - THE WILDROSE WAY

8 WEEKS TO 7 MONTHS

THERE ARE THREE BASIC PHASES TO DEVELOPING AN EXCELLENT SPORTING COMPANION.

- 20. ESTABLISH A RELATIONSHIP OF TRUST AND RESPECT.**
- 21. ENTRENCHING ESSENTIAL BEHAVIORS TO THE POINT OF HABITS.**
- 22. FOLLOW THE WILDROSE WAY TRAINING METHODOLOGY**

EARLY START CONDITIONING AND SOCIALIZATION OF THE PUP BEGINS WELL BEFORE DELIVERY, AND CONTINUES UNTIL THE PUP IS 7 MONTHS OLD. SOCIALIZATION IS SIMPLY EXPOSURE TO PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS, ACCLIMATING THE PUP TO VARIOUS CLIMATES, CONDITIONS, ACTIVITIES AND ENVIRONMENTS. THE OBJECTIVE IS A CONFIDENT YOUNGSTER THAT MEETS NO STRANGERS--INTRODUCE THEM TO ALL KINDS OF SITUATIONS, DIFFERENT PEOPLE, VARIOUS PLACES, AND OTHER DOGS, ETC. ESTABLISHING ESSENTIAL BEHAVIORS IS AN EQUALLY IMPORTANT STEP THAT IS OFTEN MINIMIZED. TOO OFTEN OWNERS LET THEIR PUP DO ANYTHING THEY WANT: RUNNING ABOUT, CHEWING, INATTENTION, DISRUPTING THE FAMILY, FREE RUN OF THE HOME, PLAYING WITH OTHER DOGS. SUDDENLY, THE OWNER DECIDES AT 6 MONTHS OF AGE, WE'RE GOING TO START BASIC TRAINING. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE ARE NO FUNDAMENTAL FOUNDATION SKILLS TO BUILD UPON WITHOUT A GOOD PRE-TRAINING, CONDITIONING PROGRAM. OWNERS NEED TO REALIZE HOW IMPORTANT THE FIRST 16 WEEKS OF A PUP'S LIFE IS TO THE OVERALL DEVELOPMENT OF THE DOG. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW ABSOLUTE GUARANTEES OF DOG TRAINING--WHATEVER IS CONDITIONED INTO THE PUP DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN. UNDESIRABLE BEHAVIORS MAY BE SUPPRESSED OR MODIFIED THROUGH TRAINING AT A LATER TIME BUT THE BEHAVIOR WILL REMAIN, ENTRENCHED PERMANENTLY. CONDITION IN DESIRABLE BEHAVIORS; NOT DYSFUNCTIONAL ONES THAT BECOME HABITS.

THERE ARE A FEW **PREREQUISITES** THAT A PUP SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH WITH CONSISTENCY IN A VARIETY OF SITUATIONS BEFORE BEGINNING A GUNDOG OR ADVENTURE DOG PROGRAM AT 7 MONTHS OF AGE:

- 1. TIE OUT** – TIE QUIETLY TO A FIXED OBJECT ON A SHORT TIE-OUT CABLE WITH A FLAT COLLAR, NEVER A SLIP COLLAR OR CHOKER CHAIN. THE YOUNGSTER SHOULD LEARN TO REMAIN CALM, NOT BARKING OR WHINING.
- 2. BASIC OBEDIENCE**
 - a. LEADING** ON THE LEFT OR RIGHT SIDE CONSISTENTLY. DON'T EXPECT STRICT HEELING AT THIS YOUNG AGE, BUT LEAD FREELY WITHOUT PULLING OR JUMPING ON THE LEAD, OR SNIFFING THE GROUND.
 - b. SIT** ON VERBAL COMMAND AND SIT ON THE WHISTLE AT THE HEEL POSITION
 - c. STAY**, VERY BRIEFLY, FOR SHORT PERIODS OF TIME--BE ABLE TO STEP OUT IN FRONT OF THE PUP, STANDSTILL THEN WALK BACK TO THE HEEL POSITION.

- d. HERE (COME)**— THE PUP SHOULD COME WHEN CALLED ON COMMAND AND SHOULD COME TO WHISTLE (REPEATED PEEPS)
- e. No** – THE PUP SHOULD UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF THE WORD, “NO.”
- f. No** JUMPING ON PEOPLE
- g. No** CHEWING/MOUTHING ON CLOTHING, OBJECTS OR PEOPLE AVOID CHEW TOYS WHICH MAY LATER RESULT IN DELIVERY PROBLEMS.
- h. SHORT RETRIEVES** – PUP SHOULD BE ABLE TO PICK UP A SMALL BUMPER AND RETURN IT TO THE HANDLER, PREFERABLY WITHOUT DROPPING, (A TRAILING MEMORY).
- i. INTRODUCTIONS** – SHALLOW WATER (WEATHER PERMITTING—AVOID EXTREMELY COLD WATER), WOODLANDS, HOW TO CROSS A DITCH, LEAD IN HEAVY GRASSES, ETC.
- j. CRATE TRAINED** AND HOUSE BROKEN
- k. ACCUSTOMED TO RIDING** IN VEHICLES, BOATS, ATV’S
- l. FREELY HUNT** FOR A TENNIS BALL OR BUMPER IN GRASSY COVER
- m. PLACE TRAINED** – PLACE THE PUP ON AN ELEVATED PLATFORM OR DOG MAT AND TEACH THE PUP TO SIT STILL ON THAT SPOT. THEY LEARN NOT TO LEAVE THAT ZONE.

THE OBJECTIVE OF EARLY-START TRAINING IS TO ENTRENCH BASIC SKILLS IN SHORT, 2-3 MINUTES SESSIONS WHILE KEEPING THE PUPPY CALM AND QUIET. IT’S IMPORTANT TO HOLD THE PUP’S ATTENTION. IF THE PUP BECOMES DISTRACTED IN THE SESSION, THE LEARNING HAS CEASED. DON’T ALLOW CHILDREN TO OVEREXCITE THE PUP, PLAY TUG OF WAR OR FREELY THROW OBJECTS FOR THE PUP FOR MEANINGLESS RETRIEVES. TWO TO THREE MEMORY RETRIEVES PER SESSION IS ADEQUATE TO STIMULATE THE PUP’S RETRIEVING DRIVE. DO NOT OVERDO TRAINING TO THE POINT OF BORING OR OVEREXCITING THE PUP. CONDITION PATIENCE DURING THE SESSIONS. PERSONALLY, STOP THROWING THE BUMPER. LET SOMEONE ELSE THROW THE BUMPER OCCASIONALLY TO TEACH THE PUP TO WATCH OUT IN THE FIELD OR SET UP SHORT MEMORIES. THE BUMPER SHOULD NOT ALWAYS ORIGINATE FROM THE HANDLER. AVOID OVEREXPOSURE TO MANY THROWN BUMPERS THAT WILL ONLY SERVE TO OVEREXCITE A YOUNGSTER. USE TRAILING AND SIGHT MEMORIES SINGLES AND 180 DOUBLES AS DESCRIBED IN THE WILDROSE WAY. MEMORIES REQUIRE PATIENCE BEFORE THE RETRIEVE AND IMPROVE FOCUS. THEY BUILD IN DELAYS AND CREATE MORE STEADINESS THAN JUST THROWING THE BUMPER.

PUPPY WILL BEGIN CUTTING ADULT TEETH AT ABOUT **4 MONTHS OLD**. CEASE ALL RETRIEVES DUE TO SORE GUMS WHICH WILL LIKELY RESULT IN DROPPING OR MOUTHING THE OBJECT. ONCE ADULT CANINES ARE IN, WATCH FOR RETAINED BABY CANINES AND HAVE THEM REMOVED BY VET IF THEY REMAIN AT 7 MONTHS OF AGE.

DO NOT SPAY/NEUTER YOUR PUPPY BEFORE 14 MONTHS OF AGE.

GIARDIA

GIARDIA IS A SIMPLE ONE-CELLED PARASITIC SPECIES; IT IS NOT A "WORM", BACTERIA OR VIRUS. THE *GIARDIA* ORGANISM HAS TWO FORMS. A FRAGILE, FEEDING FORM EXISTS IN THE GUT OF INFECTED ANIMALS, WHILE A HARDY CYSTIC FORM IS SHED IN FECES AND CAN SURVIVE SEVERAL MONTHS IN THE ENVIRONMENT, PARTICULARLY IN WATER AND DAMP ENVIRONMENTS. *GIARDIA* IS A VERY COMMON INFECTION IN DOGS. ESTIMATES PLACE THE INCIDENCE AS HIGH AS 70 PERCENT. *GIARDIA* IS MOST OFTEN TRANSMITTED THROUGH CONTAMINATED WATER AND IS ONE OF THE MOST COMMON WATERBORNE DISEASES IN THE UNITED STATES.

COCCIDIA

COCCIDIA ARE SMALL PROTOZOANS, ONE-CELLED ORGANISMS THAT MULTIPLY IN THE INTESTINAL TRACT. TRANSMISSION OCCURS FROM ANIMAL TO ANIMAL THROUGH FECES THAT CONTAIN OOCYSTS. OTHER ANIMALS CAN ACT AS AN INTERMEDIATE OR TRANSPORT HOST, SPREADING THE ORGANISM TO YOUR ENVIRONMENT. COCCI CAN BE FOUND IN THE STOOLS WITHOUT CAUSING ANY PROBLEMS UNTIL A STRESS FACTOR CAUSES AN OUTBREAK. DIARRHEA IS THE MAIN SIGN. IN SEVERE CASES, FECES ARE MUCUS-LIKE & BLOODY. IT CAN BE COMPLICATED BY A LOSS OF APPETITE, WEAKNESS, DEHYDRATION & ANEMIA. PUPPIES WITH DIARRHEA SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY EVALUATED FOR OTHER INTESTINAL DISEASES AND PARASITES. JUST BECAUSE A COCCIDIAL OOCYST IS SEEN IN THE STOOL OF A PUPPY WITH DIARRHEA, IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT IT IS THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF THE INFECTION.



FEEDING YOUR WILDROSE PUPPY

*Do NOT FOLLOW FEEDING INSTRUCTIONS ON THE BAG OF DOG FOOD.

AGE	AMOUNT	FREQUENCY
7 WEEKS	$\frac{3}{4}$ -1 CUP SOAKED	3 X DAY
9 WEEKS	$\frac{3}{4}$ -1 CUP DRY	3 X DAY
12 WEEKS	1.5 CUPS	2 X DAY
16 WEEKS (4 MONTHS)	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ - 2 CUPS	2 X DAY
6 MONTHS AND OLDER	2-4 CUPS	1 X DAY

- 6 MONTHS – BEGIN TRANSITIONING TO ADULT FOOD.
 - WILDROSE KENNELS FEEDS:
 - PUPPY: PURINA PRO PLAN FOCUS LARGE BREED PUPPY (CHICKEN&RICE)
 - ADULT: PURINA PRO PLAN-SPORT 20%- 30%
 - HOW TO TRANSITION FOOD:
 - 1ST DAY – RATIO OF 1 CUP PUPPY FOOD TO $\frac{1}{4}$ CUP ADULT FOOD
 - EACH CONSECUTIVE DAY FOR A WEEK, INCREASE THE ADULT FOOD AND DECREASE THE PUPPY FOOD.
- WHY IS HAVING A HEALTHY BODY CONDITION SO IMPORTANT?
 - STUDIES BY PURINA SHOW THAT DOGS THAT ARE AT A HEALTHY BODY WEIGHT LIVE ON AVERAGE, 1 YEAR AND 8 MONTHS LONGER THAN A DOG THAT IS JUST SLIGHTLY OVERWEIGHT. THE ONSET OF GERIATRIC PROBLEMS ALSO OCCURS 2 YEARS LATER IN A DOG WITH A HEALTHY WEIGHT.
- WHAT IF MY DOG BECOMES OVERWEIGHT?
 - IF YOU CAN NO LONGER FEEL YOUR DOG'S RIBS, THIS IS A SIGN THEY MAY BECOMING OVERWEIGHT.
 - FOR PUPPIES: DECREASE THE FOOD BY $\frac{1}{4}$ CUP INCREMENTS
 - FOR ADULTS: DECREASE THE FOOD BY $\frac{1}{2}$ CUP INCREMENTS
 - WE MONITOR FEEDING AMOUNTS WEEKLY ON ADULT DOGS AT THE KENNEL. ALL DOGS ARE DIFFERENT AND REQUIRE DIFFERENT AMOUNTS OF FOOD. ACTIVITY LEVEL ALSO AFFECTS FOOD AMOUNT.
- HOW MUCH WATER SHOULD MY PUPPY OR ADULT DOG BE CONSUMING?

- Do NOT offer free choice water
- Puppies and adult dogs only require 1 oz. of water per pound of body weight per day. The water you put on their food will factor into this amount. More water may be offered with extra activity such as hard playing or working.
- Excessive water intake can lead to urinary tract problems in puppies and adult dogs.



RESOURCES

PLEASE VISIT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES, PURCHASE THE RECOMMENDED BOOKS AND DVD'S, AND SELECT SOME OF THE SUGGESTED TRAINING SUPPLIES TO ENSURE YOUR PUPPY GETS EVERYTHING NEEDED TO GROW, THRIVE, AND BECOME A SUCCESSFUL, HAPPY AND HEALTHY HUNTING DOG, ADVENTURE DOG OR COMPANION TO YOU.

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