

New Zion Shilohs
"Breeding Better Shepherds"
Feeding and Puppy Directions
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FEEDING

- * Due to the fact that the airline flight and/or a long car trip home can be a bit stressful to your new baby's belly.. The day your puppy arrives home please prepare a "mush" consisting of ½ cup of plain vanilla low fat yogurt, **1/2** cup boiled rice, **1/2** cup ground beef, chicken, or turkey and ½ cup Puppy/Growth kibble for his/her first feeding. Note: New Zion uses Diamond Natural Chicken & Rice for kibble.
- * The puppies are now eating three times a day: 8AM, 2PM, then 8PM. I recommend maintaining that schedule for your puppy until he/ she are at least nine months old. After this time, you can switch to two feedings daily. One "mush" meal can then be given AM or PM and dry kibble (and treats) for the other meal.
- * For their daily meals, the puppies get approximately 1 cup of Puppy/Growth kibble, ½ cup of RAW ground (chicken or turkey) meat, a heaping tablespoon of a quality milk product (plain yogurt, cottage cheese, etc.), and, of course, their supplements. THESE AMOUNTS ARE PER FEEDING, and should be increased as needed.
- * "Mush" meals can be prepared once, and then passed out during the day. If your puppy does not eat his/her portion quickly, you can add some warm chicken broth or gravy to add flavor.
- * For a snack he/she can have some fruit (they love apricots, cantaloupe, and bananas), raw vegetables (carrots make great treats) or a good old all natural dog biscuit is fine too. We also highly recommend a raw beef bone (knuckle sawed in half, brisket, etc.) at least twice a week.
- * On a regular basis you should up the amount of kibble, meat, etc., to satisfy his/her growing appetite, but make certain THE STOOLS STAY REASONABLY FIRM. If your puppy acts hungry after a meal, increase the amount again! Just be careful not to let your puppy get fat. Extra weight can cause undue stress on a growing body.
- * Finally.., if you have any questions regarding your pup's diet, eating habits, stool, anything at all, call me ANYTIME. I care about your (our) puppy as much as you do!
- * If we haven't already talked about the kibbles (dry dog food) that Zion Kennels recommends please contact me ASAP. Please be sure that the kibble you choose has NO ARTIFICIAL PRESERVATIVES (ethoxiquin, BHT, etc.) with a whole meat base NOT MEAT BY-PRODUCTS, preferably with whole grains NOT MIDDINGS, etc. Ask your local supplier for a list of Dog foods they carry that may fit these criteria and let me know and I will advise you further.
- * At this time we recommend 4-Heath Puppy as your base kibble.

SUPPLEMENTS

Note: New Zion highly recommends NuVet Plus, you can order it by calling 1-800-474-7044 or online at www.nuvet.com and use reference # 70700

PAPERS

- * Your puppy's yellow/blue papers will be sent to you within the next 120 days.

- * You have 30 spaces to name your pup ... BE CREATIVE!
- * Please put my kennel name, ZION, in your puppy's name, as it is his kennel of origin, and a name you should be proud to have him/her carry.
- * You have until the puppy is 210 days old (seven months) to send the papers with the required pictures and registration fee to: ISSR, Inc. P.O. Box 309 Silver Springs, NY 14550. (Please make sure your check is written out to the ISSR, Inc.) Please call me if you have any questions about this process. After seven months (210 days) of age, you will be required to pay a \$3 per day LATE FEE!

SHOTS AND WORMING

- * I recommend that you take a stool sample into the Vet and have him/her check for all worms, Giardia and Coccidia, when you go in for your booster shot.
- * I recommend that you DO NOT take your puppy to the vet office for the first week. Please let him settle into his new home, water, environment, etc. Although it may not show, your puppy is under a good amount of stress the first week of his new life, and your vet's office could harbor a variety of viruses. ***Please Note: When you do bring your puppy in, please carry him/her in your arms! DO NOT let your puppy play on/lick the floors, furniture, etc.***
- * Please refer to the enclosed Canine Health Record for your puppy's shot and deworming schedule. I do not advise a Rabies shot until the puppy is six months old (unless otherwise ordered by law) and I DO NOT recommend a Lepto, Corona, or Lyme vaccination (unless your area/lifestyle demands it). We have also received research material lately (from Cornell University, etc.) disputing the claims that all adult dogs need yearly boosters. These shots have been linked to immune problems, cancer, etc. We will keep you posted via the SSDCA, Inc. Newsletter, and our various Shiloh web forums.
- * Please try to find a Veterinarian that is into both traditional and alternative medicine. And please reference the books we have recommended, doing your best to educate your veterinarian regarding specific concerns related to our breed.
- * Be prepared for many vets to disagree with some of the above information. Educate yourself, or call me!

PICTURES

- * I love your puppy as much as you. Please keep me informed via pictures, little notes, phone calls, attendance to a show I will be at that is not far from you, etc. We would like to see some nice stacked shots, and head shots of your puppy at least every other month. We would love to share those pictures via our web site, with lots of other Shiloh owners/fanciers.
- * As of 11/03 we have moved our ever-growing list of web forums to Infopop to better fit our needs. Please go to: <http://shilohshepherds.infopop.cc/6/ubb.x>. Over 2000 people that have been sharing their wonderful Shiloh experiences, and we would love to have you join us! Just go to our homepage at www.ShilohShepherdclub.com and scroll down below the counter. Click on the link and sign up!
- * Finally, I would like to add a few parting words: join our club, the forum and get involved!!

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____

Thank you for choosing a Puppy from New Zion Shilohs!

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