

The National Dog Training Academy

for dogs that perk you up, not get you down

House/Toilet Training Principles

1. Choose your 'toilet' spot in the garden
2. Take pup out to the spot every hour where possible as well as the following times:
 - After eating/drinking
 - After play
 - When excited
 - Immediately on waking
1. Monitor your pup – look for the signs that they need to wee.
2. Don't react if accidents occur in the house, simply remove pup, clean it up and deodorise the spot.
3. When in the act of urinating or defecating, use a word that you would like to become the command for this act.
4. When pup has finished, praise and reward immediately. You need to be on the spot. It is no good waiting indoors and rewarding pup when he gets back in.
5. If pup doesn't go, after a short while, when you take him out bring him back in, but don't allow him to have free run of the house. Confine him, in a crate if you are using one and try again 5 or 10 minutes later.

Puppy needs to learn that outside is where it should happen so try not to allow any accidents in the house by following the above. Don't expect pup to understand he should go to toilet outside even if the door is open.

Not all dogs will learn at the same speed so be patient but if you follow the guidelines above pup should be starting to get the idea within a few days.

Keep up the training at this time. Don't think the job is done. Your pup needs support with this for some time to come and it will be a while before he learns to 'ask' to go out.



Ask if you would like a toilet training diary sheet to help with this

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