



First Week at Home

CONGRATULATIONS!

Your new family addition is at home safe and sound.

During the first week you will want to take extra care in your Yorkie's SAFETY, HEALTH and COMFORT.

- A SAFETY inspection of your home should be done before you bring your new Yorkie's home. Take some extra time to remove or place in a safe place all items that may be accessible to your Yorkie. Yorkies are a bit like children. They may find something on the floor that they just have to play with. If they can get the item into their mouth, they risk swallowing it and choking.
- Make sure you have food items on hand for a HEALTHY diet. Remember, Yorkies are very small and do not eat much. Make every bite count with quality nutrition. Yorkie's teeth need brushing too. Your local vet will be able to help you with a diet that will accommodate healthy growth and maintenance as well as approved toothpaste for healthy teeth.
- As far as comfort, think about the basics of what makes you comfortable. A safe home, a healthy diet, a comfy bed and some toys and people to play and interact with.
- Keep things on the quiet side at home during your Yorkies first week home. He/She needs time to adjust.
- Yorkies do get cold. You may want to either make or buy your Yorkie a sweater of some kind if the temperatures in your area get too cold.
- Make sure you have the proper size collar and leash to accommodate walking your Yorkie. If it is cold out, don't forget the sweater.
- Not all house and garden plants are poisonous to dogs but there are many that are and should be removed. Here is a small list of plants that you need to consider placing in a safe place or removing all together. Tulips, Poinsettias, Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Holly, Tobacco, Daffodils, Iris, Mistletoe. For a more complete list please contact your local vet.
- Dissolve 1 teaspoon of sugar in a cup of fresh water and give to the puppy for 3 days.
- Give small amount of "Nutri-cal" (High-Calorie Dietary Dog) or "Honey" two times a day for the first three days.

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should be an everyday practice.