

SCWT QUESTIONS AND ANSWER

Q: How often do I feed my baby puppy Wheaten ?

A: When you take your baby home at 8 weeks the breeder will inform you how and what your puppy has been fed. Puppies will vary in how much they eat, start as instructed by the breeder. Some may be on 3 or 4 meals others only 2 morning and night. Most puppies walk away when they have had enough to eat, but give them time to see if they want more, if not pick the dish up.

If you wish to change their diet do it gradually mixing new with original food.

BEWARE of the grain dry foods, look for a good Australian made brands, there are reasonable priced brands around.

Q: When do I start grooming my puppy and how often?

A: This must be a happy time with you, have some treats on hand cooked chicken or cheese, you could make up your own biscuits (pumpkin ones are good).

Have you brush and comb ready, place a none slip mat on a solid table.

Putting the puppy on the table and give a treat, no need to brush this time just touch your puppy all over and give a treat telling your puppy what a good puppy they are, 3 or 4 minutes is enough, try doing this each day until you feel you can start brushing, always have brush and comb on the table and the treats of course.

DO NOT FIGHT your puppy as this does not help you of puppy, be firm when need but gentle.

Q: Will my Wheaten like to be bathed?

A: Some don't seem to mind being bathed, other take a bit of getting used to it.

Try the same method as grooming, giving treats and lots of praise.

Put cotton wool in their ears to stop water getting in and make sure you do not get shampoo in their eyes. Most of all be **PATIENT.**

Q: When should my Wheaten be de-sexed?

A: All dogs take up to 12 month to mature, when a puppy is born its bones are not connected, and they are held together with their little muscle and sinews, like all young they need time to develop good bone. We would advise that you talk to your vet, or look at between 6 and 12 months.

Q: How far should I walk my baby Wheaten?

A: Stated above puppies take up to 12 months to mature, and need plenty of puppy sleeps (just like a human baby) so **NO LONG WALKS PLEASE, THINK OF THE DAMAGE YOU CAN TO THOSE LITTLE LIMBS. Of course start lead training and after vaccinations are up to date, there is puppy school and meeting your family and**

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friends dogs and a short walk in a park to see and smell the wonderful things dogs like to do, and get them use to our noisy world.