



CRATE TRAINING

- A tool to help with potty training
- Trains the dog to be safely contained during travel or vet visits
- Gives the dog a safe zone to decompress
- Keeps the dog safe and from destruction while unsupervised
- The crate becomes the place for quiet and bedtime



**Is your puppy
still having
accidents? What
are you doing
wrong?**

Why does my puppy hide/sneak and potty in the house? Your puppy knows he/she will get in trouble, but doesn't completely understand the basics yet.

Do you use puppy pads? Puppy pads should not be used past 3 months of age because it gives the puppy the idea that it is okay to potty in the house.

Why does my puppy potty in my house? This means that the dog thinks outside time is for play rather than the bathroom.

Why is my potty trained dog still having accidents? The dog is not completely potty trained. Go back to the basics.



How to Potty Train Correctly

Establish a schedule and routine: Take the puppy out whenever he wakes up, eats or drinks, then every 30-45 minutes otherwise. Remove food by 5 or 6 pm and drink about 2 hrs before bedtime

Start with leashed potty breaks: By using a leash during potty time, it shows the puppy that it is time for business, not playtime. Otherwise, he/she will run and play and not use the time productively – then have accidents

Crate Training is SAFE Training: If the puppy is unsupervised, he needs to be in the crate or a separate, gated area. This keeps him safe and gives him less space to have accidents and/or get into mischief

All Eyes on Deck: A puppy is like a toddler, if they are being too quiet, they are into something they shouldn't be. Keep the puppy in sight at all times to watch for signals that he needs to go potty and also keep him safe.