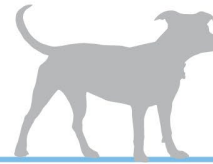


Congratulations on Your Dog Adoption!



It is so exciting to bring home a new companion! If you need any behavioral support along the way, please fill out our FREE Behavior and Enrichment Helpline form at mohawkhumane.org/behavior-helpline.

THE BASICS

Food: The Mohawk Hudson Humane Society feeds Hill's Science Diet. Please read this chart to determine the correct amount you should be giving your dog.

Adult Dogs (over 6 months)	
Dog Weight	Daily Serving
3-20 pounds	$\frac{2}{3}$ cup - 1 cup
21-50 pounds	1 $\frac{2}{3}$ cups - 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups
51-80 pounds	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups
80+ pounds	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups - 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups

*half amount for two feedings

Puppies (under 6 months)	
Puppy Weight	Daily Serving
3-10 pounds	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup - 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups
11-20 pounds	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups - 3 cups
21-40 pounds	3 cups - 5 cups
41-60 pounds	5 cups - 6 $\frac{2}{3}$ cups

*third amount for three feedings

If you wish to change the brand of food, we recommend that you purchase another nutritious dog food and introduce it gradually by mixing the new food in with the current food. Switching food too quickly may cause vomiting or diarrhea.

Water: Provide fresh water in a clean bowl daily. Your dog should have access to fresh water at all times.

Leash Safety: Your dog is going home with a martingale collar and leash. We recommend you always walk your dog with a fixed-length, non-flexi/extendable leash. We do not recommend letting your dog off leash unless they are in a fully enclosed space to avoid them running off or encountering another animal. We also do not recommend taking your new dog to a dog park until you have gotten to know them better.

The Honeymoon Stage: Adopting a new family member is exciting, but there will likely be an adjustment period for both you and your new pet. There may be times when you feel overwhelmed. It's important to remember that during the transition period, your dog may display behaviors that were not discussed at the time of adoption. It's normal and to be expected. It may take time for your new pet to adjust to your routine. Remember the rule of threes. It takes a dog three days to figure out their new family, three weeks to start to learn your routine, and three months to become part of your family.

If you experience any behavior challenges, we encourage you to journal the behavior and contact us through our FREE Behavior and Enrichment Helpline at mohawkhumane.org/behavior-helpline. We respond to requests within 48 hours.



ADOPTION PACKET

For digital access to the complete Adoption Packet, please scan this QR code or visit mohawkhumane.org/dog-adoption-resources.