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Pit Bull Terrier Puppy Training: Potty Train Your Dog

By Tim Amherst

Potty training your new American Pit Bull Terrier puppy is a necessary evil. Your dog needs to learn at an early age where to properly relieve himself. You can begin working with your pup at 8 weeks of age.

Puppy potty training can sometimes prove to be a frustrating task. You must do the same routine every single day and it is important to give your puppy a lot of extra attention as this will make the house breaking process much easier. The house training process will take longer if you are gone during the day at a job because your dog won't be able to hold it for extended periods of time when he is just starting out. To begin potty training your Pit Bull, give him an area that is all his own. A tiled laundry room works very well if you have one in your residence. Cover the area with newspaper and make sure that you give him access to his bed, toys, and food bowl. When leaving to go out, make sure that your Pit pup is in his "area" and cannot leave. You can buy a baby gate which will keep him confined, without feeling shut in.

After you have gone, he will need to go potty at some point and will relieve himself. As time goes on, he will begin to go in the same spot and when this starts to happen, simply begin to remove the newspaper in the rest of the room which is not being used. Continue doing this until the only patch of newspaper in the room is the area he has chosen to do his business.

When at home, spend as much time with your Pit Bull puppy as possible. The potty training process will be much, much easier if take your dog outside every 45 minutes or so, then praise him excitedly when he relieves himself in the yard. You can also give him a small treat when he goes to the bathroom outside to further encourage his good behavior.

It is a bad idea and completely ineffective to scold your puppy for having an accident in the house. Positive reinforcement and a lot of extra time and attention is the best way to handle this task and remember that no dog is completely potty trained until they have reached the age of 6-8 months. Patience is a must!

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Potty training your Pit Bull puppy the right way takes time and a lot of patience. Many different things come in to play as you are going through the housebreaking process.

If you've been trying to housebreak your new Pit Bull terrier pup but have been having major problems, then this article is for you. It is very possible that you have missed some of the more important points when it comes to puppy potty training.

To help you out, I've created the following list. Take a minute to read it and see if you spot some things you may not be doing correctly.

1. Are you writing down your dog's potty habits so that you can easily spot trends and correct them?
2. Is the entire family on the same page when it comes to training routine? Consistent repetition is vital to the potty training process, if you're missing this element you're destined to fail!
3. Are you going outside with your puppy to confirm that he is going potty when he's in the yard?
4. Are you using a crate or gate to confine your Pit Bull pup when you can't keep an eye on him?
5. Are you giving your little pup full run of the house?
6. Do you have unrealistic expectations of your Pit puppy and then harshly scold him when he messes in the house?
7. Do you keep your puppy's feeding times and portions the same every single day? It is important to be consistent and don't give him extras such as treats, etc.

As you can see, there are many areas which are easy to make errors in and a new dog owner must be very careful not to skip over any of these steps when trying to housetrain their new puppy.

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