

# **GOLDWATER GOLDENS PUPPY TIPS**

## **FEEDING**

**CANIDAE: 1/2-cup morning, noon, and early evening.**

**This amount increases gradually to between 3 and 6 cups at about 8 months old  
And levels off to between 2 1/2 to 4 cups as an adult. (These amounts are so varied  
because of individual metabolism, activity etc.)**

## **HOUSEBREAKING**

**OUT after sleep, play, eating, first thing in the morning and last thing at night.**

**Outside tell them to go pee, poop (whatever). When they're going PRAISE.**

**If you catch pup in the act indoors EXCLAIM NO NO NO and then take them  
right out.**

**If you don't catch them in the act, pup will not understand a correction or their  
nose rubbed in it 'etc.**

## **BITING**

**If your pup (and they all do) bites at you, squeal like a puppy (even if it doesn't hurt.)**

**Your pup will likely stop and maybe even lick you. In more persistent cases turn the**

**Pup's lip over his teeth and press making the pup bite himself or stick your fingers  
into the back of his mouth making your pup uncomfortable.**

## **CHEWING**

**If you catch your pup IN THE ACT - scold by a little shake by the scruff of the neck.  
Say NO. If you don't catch the pup in the act, he will not understand the correction!!**

## **RETRIEVING**

**A Golden will bring you things often. Encourage them to come and take the object  
From them. Throw it a short distance a couple of times to encourage retrieving and  
then return object to the pup. If the object is forbidden, gladly take it and exchange  
for something the pup is allowed. Never scold over an object the pup has brought to  
you.**

## **JUMPING UP**

**Say "OFF" and push into a sitting position. Be CONSISTANT.**

## **CHILDREN**

**Don't allow children to run, scream or raise their arms, etc, as this encourages jumping up. Wrestling type play causes aggression. Teach your children how to handle the pup and involve them in the pup's obedience. Kids and Golden make great companions if they learn to respect each other.**

## **GROOMING**

**A Golden needs baths only when dirty or infested with fleas.  
Buy shampoo from your Vet only.**

**A dual fine & wide tooth comb will keep the knots out.  
A coated pin tip brush is good for a massage.**

**Nails should be kept short. Play with toes in between nail trims so your  
Pup will be used to his feet being handled.**

**Clean ears with a soft damp cloth over your finger only when needed.**

## **NEUTERING**

**Bitch - spay between 6 and 9 months  
Dog - castrate between 8 and 12 months (unless maley before)**

## **A FEW HINTS**

**Don't leave collars on unattended dogs playing together.  
if a jaw gets caught in a collar, you have one frantic dog and  
one choked.**

**Plastic food dishes can be dangerous if chewed.**

**Young puppies stick close to you. Encourage this by calling the  
Pup, giving a treat, and let go again (in a safe area).  
Coming on command will become natural throughout his life  
if encouraged when young.**

**NEVER call a pup to you and then scold. Always make coming  
a nice thing!!**