

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON RAISING YOUR PUPPY**

Many of us love big dogs! As conscientious breeders, we avoid breeding giant sized dogs, however many Standard sized Australian Labradoodles and even some Mediums, may come under this category, depending on perception.

We have taken every precaution in breeding and raising your puppy to the age when it left us for its new home, however you, as its new caregiver, need to be aware that large sized puppies, especially, need to be raised in a different way than do smaller sized puppies, although smaller sized puppies will also benefit from the following guidelines.

Correct diet, and proper exercise play major roles in the healthy development of any puppy, but particularly so with a large sized puppy.

**The following applies up to the age of twelve months:**

**DIET.** Should be low in energy which will help in slowing down the growth rate of your puppy in the critical stage of between three and twelve months of age. NO calcium supplements over and above what is naturally occurring in food. We do recommend supplementing a growing large sized puppy with one of the joint formulas designed for the purpose, such as Sashas Blend or other product designed to prevent OCD's.

**EXERCISE.** NO jumping. NO skidding around playing on polished floors or other slippery surfaces (applies to all sized puppies) Further reading: Copy and past this link into your computer browser

[http://www.iamscompanybreeders.com/bronline/en\\_US/jhtmls/nutrition\\_library/BO\\_NutritionLibrary\\_Detail\\_Page.jhtml?li=en\\_US&pti=NL&sc=D&articleID=159](http://www.iamscompanybreeders.com/bronline/en_US/jhtmls/nutrition_library/BO_NutritionLibrary_Detail_Page.jhtml?li=en_US&pti=NL&sc=D&articleID=159)

Leading World Authorities agree that over vaccinating dogs may cause a number of bone diseases and other health problems.

**Do NOT allow your vet to vaccinate your puppy again for Distemper, Hepatitis or Parvo Virus on arrival. Please read the raising notes on vaccination, and the letter to take to your vet.** Also Copy and past the following link into your browser for further research.

**Over Vaccinating your puppy may cancel out the Health Guarantee in certain circumstances**

<http://www.presspublications.com/pages/specialreports10.asp>

Observing these guidelines will give your puppy every opportunity to develop into the happy healthy adult dog that we all want to enjoy. And now, have fun with your new family member!

Sincerely,

*Beverley*

