

Recommended Equipment for a Puppy

The Basics

- Fabric crates (size appropriate), one for car, one for home
- Stair gates
- Puppy pen (we recommend an 800mm high pen that comes in 8 panel sections.
- Lead and flat collar (double end leads for two point contact on a harness)
- Lightweight long line. Homemade or “house line” (from Pets at Home)
- 5-meter-long line (always use long lines with a harness). Biothane is the best material as it does not soak up the water.

Recommended harnesses: **Perfect Fit, Ruffwear, Dog Copenhagen, True love** (from amazon)

Toys

Never use a food bowl when training puppies; instead, hand feeding and from toys:

- training, canine enrichment i.e. Kong Gyro ball, hollow chew toys (kongs), snuffle mat, Kong Wobbler, scatter feeding, treasure hunt etc.
- Chew toys/play toys
- Tunnel, ball pit
- Paddling pool
- **Nylabone**-puppy set, wishbone, **Kong**-puppy specific-examples- **Classic, Binkie, Teething Stick, Activity ball, Bone**
- Treat pouch
- Snuffle mat
- **Lickie** mat
 - Ensure any toy is puppy specific
 - **Red** - denotes manufacturer
 - **Blue** - denotes manufacturer’s model name

Other Equipment

- Grooming brushes
- Nail clippers
- Water bowl
- Dog bed
- Settle mat (available for purchase from Helpful Hounds)
- Great&Small Fleece Blanket (from Pets Corner)