



KEY DATES FOR YOUR UPCOMING PUPPY

Weaning & Socialization Schedule

- Week 1-3 - This time is for mom just to be a mom. We do not bother puppies a lot during this time period. We have found that the best results during this time come from us keeping mom nourished with plenty of food and postnatal vitamins. We clean the birthing suites one to two times a day during this time. Mom does most of the cleaning herself.
- Week 3 - Puppies have their eyes open and are starting to come alive!! We start interacting with the puppies daily at this point.
- Week 4 - A lot happens in a week at this stage. We start introducing puppy food and they quickly start eating. At this stage we start giving mom a break. She is let in and out of the birthing suite periodically throughout the day.
- Week 5 - Puppies are usually on a full dry food diet at this time and mom is just supplementing them. The kennel doors are opened to the outside and mom comes and goes as she pleases. We start socializing the puppies at this point which requires daily "loving" on the puppies.
- Week 6 - Puppies are now allowed to go outside as they please. They start using the bathroom outside. Mom is still with them but slowly starts spending more time away from them. They are exploring their outside pens and playing in the mud 😊. We start working on basic behavioral training. It is very light at this point but helps them to get familiar with "yes" and "no."
- Week 7 - Crate training starts, and we are getting ready to send puppies home!! This time is spent continuing the socialization and click training. While they are still very young, we are preparing the way for your home training.
- Week 8 - Puppies go home!!! (unless being trained)

Picture Schedule

- We will send a picture of the newborn puppies within the first five days after birth. Pictures will be updated weekly and uploaded to the Google Drive on Thursday's.
- 2 weeks old - This picture will be a group picture of males vs females.
- 3 weeks old - This picture will be a group picture of males vs females.
- 4 weeks old - This picture will be a group picture of males vs females.
- 5 to 6 weeks old - Individual pictures of puppies are taken and the choosing process begins. We will also schedule Facetime or Skype sessions during this time period if requested. Please see our guides for a great resource for choosing your puppy.
<https://www.snowypineswhitelabs.com/guides/>
- 8 weeks old - Puppies go home!!! (unless being trained)

Live Stream

Your puppy will start showing up on our livestream around 4 weeks of age. Once they become active, we will rotate them during the weekdays on our webcam. You will be able to enjoy getting to watch our puppies for hours!! <https://www.snowypineswhitelabs.com/puppy-live-stream/>

The Choosing process

You will start the choosing process when they are 6 weeks of age. You will begin to see their personalities develop around 4 weeks and you can watch each puppy on livestream starting then. At 6 weeks, we will send you an email that provides personality descriptions of each puppy. We can also facetime or skype at request if you are still struggling to choose. It is important not to just focus on one puppy. Comparison is healthy! We will help match your family's personality with the right puppy. With everyone choosing their top two picks we will work with each family to make sure you get one of those. Remember its not about order of deposit but matching you to the perfect puppy. You are making a 13 to 15-year commitment so we want to get the pairing perfect!!

Training (if applicable)

We offer two levels of training:

Puppy Academy

This training is done when the puppy reaches 7 weeks of age. This training will last 3 weeks. Successful graduates must understand all the basic verbal and physical cues. The commands and conditioning behaviors taught in this level are:

- Yes
- No
- Sit
- Down

- Stay (limited)
- Recall
- Heel/leash manners
- Crate training
- No jumping
- Grooming introduction
- Socialized to dogs, humans and other animals

Puppy College

This is a more in-depth training program. It begins when they are 7 weeks old and this comprehensive course includes all the basic commands, socialization and conditioning of puppy academy but with a more extensive set of behaviors and training under his or her collar. Typical training time for this is 4 to 5 weeks. Graduates of Puppy College are required to know all commands by verbal and physical cues, must be able to hold comfortably for a minimum of 30 seconds, and are Canine Good Citizen prepped. Commands and conditioning behaviors taught at this level are:

- Yes
- No
- Sit
- Stay
- Down
- Recall
- Heel/leash manner
- Place
- Stand
- Look
- Touch drop
- Leave it
- Get it
- Calm/settle
- Loose leash walking
- No jumping
- Crate conditioning
- Travel introduction
- Grooming complete
- Social skills with animals and humans
- Separation coping
- Vetting behavior

Travel

-If your new puppy is flying home, flights will be booked 10 days out. We fly out of American or Delta in Little Rock. The flight cost is \$450, and we usually try and get the most direct flight as possible. Our puppies fly in a crate twice as big as required by the airlines with frozen water, food and toys. We want this to be a great experience and encourage you to use this crate after getting home as it's the same crate we crate train in. We also can hand deliver your puppy. We do not use a commercial delivery; only our employees deliver our puppies.

Payments

-You placed your \$300 deposit to reserve the puppy. We take your final payment after you have chosen your puppy and a flight is booked. You may also pay in person if picking up your puppy.

Immunizations

-Immunization records will be emailed at week 7 with instructions for future vaccinations. We require all our puppies to have 2 rounds of vaccinations before leaving. We vaccinate our dogs with NeoPar, NeoVac and Safeguard for worming. This is what our typical immunization schedule looks like:

- NeoPar is given 5 and 7 weeks of age
- NeoVac is given 6 and 8 weeks of age
- Safeguard is given right before puppies go home

-These vaccines help protect against:

- NeoPar protects against the most prevalent viral disease of dogs, canine parvovirus.
- NeoVac provides protection against canine Distemper and Adenovirus Type 2.
- Safeguard is useful against most common canine intestinal worms including whipworm, hookworms, roundworms, and tapeworms.

Important information for arrival

-At week 7 you will receive a "New Puppy" email with your scanned registration papers, tips for house breaking, our initial training suggestions, current food being fed, and more useful puppy information.

At week 8 to 12 your world changes because your new puppy comes home!!!!!!!!!!

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING US FOR YOUR NEW FOREVER FAMILY