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Importance practical socializing.

Know This!- This is an X-ray of a two week old puppy.

Look at how far the bones have to grow before they become a proper bony joint.

This is why you should never let puppies jump, walk up/down stairs, over exercise or over train.

Doing too much impact activity at a young age will cause or at least

contribute to serious issues later such as hip dysplasia and other orthopedic conditions.

Remember the puppy rule: for every month increase activity by 5 minutes.

For example: **an eight week old puppy only needs ten minutes physical activity a day while a six month old only needs 30 minutes a day of physical activity.** This includes going for a walk, training, playing fetch, running, playing with other dogs etc. This because the hips and joints are not fully developed and connected yet.

Enjoy your new puppy and remember to keep it safe up to 18 months.



The hips of an AMPT is only fully developed and functional for the work it should do at 2 years of age – exposing a young dog before this time to strenuous keeps and conditioning programs will cause hip and joint problems later in life.

Proactively home socializing your puppy is very important.

Puppies have what is called a 'critical socialization period' between approximately 4 -18 weeks of age.

The puppy's experiences during this critical period of learning and development can and do influence and shape their behaviour well into adulthood.

Providing plenty of opportunities for socialization and exposure to different environments and scenarios and noises during this time can help to ensure your puppy grows into a well-adjusted adult that relates well to other dogs, other animals and people.

Puppy school a good idea.

Socializing a pup must be done in a safe, social and positive environment such as that generally also can be provided at a puppy school.

Puppy school is generally aimed at pups between 11-18 weeks of age. This puppy school by a professional trainer to coincide your home socializing effort for this 7 weeks.

Know that all needed vaccinations, worming and external flea tick and mite control id done prior to being exposed to other puppies.

You can also take your puppy and or young dog to meet with other puppies and dogs of your friends and family, either at your house or their house.

But you should make sure that the other dogs and puppies are friendly, healthy and up-to-date with their vaccinations.

Your vet will be able let you know when it is okay (health wise) to take your puppy to other environments for the safety of your dog.