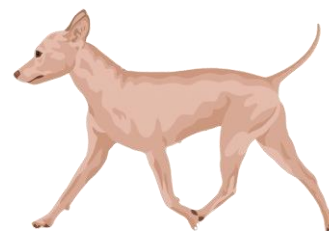


Poise Puppy Checklist



→ General

- ☐ Contact your vet to schedule your puppies next round of shots. Take your puppy folder with you so they make a copy of puppy vaccinations. I never put my puppy down when at the vet. I carry them in and out and bring a towel to put on the exam table. If I forget my towel, I make sure they clean the table before placing the puppy on the table. If you need to potty your pup, put down puppy pads to limit risk of exposure to viruses. If your pups' feet do touch the ground, use disinfecting wipes to clean feet and legs. I recommend giving them a bath once you get home from the vet.
- ☐ Contact Trupanion insurance within 24 hours to set up coverage.
- ☐ Collar and lead. I will send you home with a slip lead for your puppy. If you take your puppy shopping, do not let walk on the ground where it can be exposed to viruses. Carry them and use a disinfectant wipe after or give them a bath. Limit your puppy's exposure to other dogs until at least two weeks after the last vaccine at 16 weeks.
- ☐ Fill out the American Hairless Terrier Club of America Gift membership and mail.
- ☐ Decide on a registered name and then let me know so I can submit the AKC Registration. Puppies are assigned registered names. You can use it or pick a different one. I like to use a theme as it makes it easier to keep track of the dogs. Your puppies' theme is _____. All registered names must begin with **Poise**.
- ☐ Send in any additional registration papers you may receive. Puppies sold as show/breeding prospects will also receive UKC papers that need to be mailed in.



→ Food

- ☐ Your puppy is currently eating [Diamond Natural Extreme Athlete](#). It is available at Tractor Supply or Chewy.com. Do not abruptly change food as this can cause stomach/gastric upset. If you plan to change, do it slowly over a week or more. You will receive a Gallon bag of food to take home. Growing puppies typically eat 3-4 cups a day. Once they are finished growing, they can usually maintain on 2 cups. Check your dog's weight weekly and making adjustment if needed.
- ☐ Small training, low calorie training treats like Zuke's. Keep treats in your pocket the first week to reward good behavior and help a puppy in new situations that may be scary.
- ☐ Bully sticks, cow hooves or sliced knuckle bones for pups to chew on. Kong toys can be stuffed with damp food and frozen for treats.
- ☐ I recommend using bottled water the first couple of weeks as new water can cause stomach upset. When I travel, I always take water from home or use bottled water.
- ☐ Portable food and water bowls with a measuring scoop. It is very easy to overfeed your pet. Many people feed the bowl, not the pet. Buy a bowl big enough for one feeding so you are not tempted to overfeed. You will receive a measuring cup in your puppy kit.

→ **Medicine/first aid**

- ☐ Pet first aid kit
- ☐ Medications or supplements
- ☐ Motion sickness remedy (Dramamine, ginger snap cookies)
- ☐ Copy of health/vaccination papers (Always carry a copy of your rabies certificate as it has a description of the dog.)
- ☐ Veterinarian's contact information



→ **Cleaning – Keep some supplies in your car**

- ☐ Puppies and adult dogs can get car sick or have accidents. Be prepared and keep supplies in your vehicle for easy cleaning.
- ☐ Poop bags and large trash bag. I use the large bags to put soiled bedding in.
- ☐ Disinfectant spray (I use Rescue Accel. It kills viruses and neutralizes urine smells. Purchase from Amazon.)
- ☐ Extra “dog” towels or dog beds. Towels or bedding will help absorb any mess and keep your puppy cleaner.
- ☐ Antibacterial baby wipes for you or to wipe down your puppy.
- ☐ Paper towels
- ☐ Air Freshener



→ **Toys, Lots of toys**

- ☐ Tennis balls are great. I love my Chuck It as it saves wear and tear on my shoulder.
- ☐ AHT's just try to kill any soft squeaky toy so monitor them closely to make sure they are not eating the stuffing. They also like to chew up the plastic squeakers into small pieces and swallow it.
- ☐ Rope toys are usually a hit but monitor them, so they don't eat the rope.
- ☐ Flirt poles are great for terriers. They are all about the chase & kill.
- ☐ Kong's for stuffing. Fill a couple of Kong toys to leave in the crate with your pup when you are gone. Google Kong Stuffing for ideas.
- ☐ Snuffle mats are a good way to exercise your pups' brain. (Mat made with fleece strips to hide food in.)
- ☐ Puzzle dog toys are great fun as well. For very high energy puppies, using a puzzle feeder and making them work for their food can help burn energy.

