

~ Diarrhea & Your Foxhunt Puppy ~



Foxhunt Puppy

Loose stools last for a couple days at the most and usually mean the dog has an upset stomach, this can be from the stress of going to their new forever home or it is just reflecting what the puppy/dog ate (which often goes along with the upset stomach). It should be controllable though not always. I have found that withholding a meal will usually help, but be sure the puppy has fresh water available at all times.

Diarrhea is a symptom of something else and generally lasts more than a few days. The puppy/dog often cannot control it and SHOULD NOT be punished for it. It could be a symptom of something as simple as worms or it could be something as awful as EPI. I never take diarrhea lightly and take any animal that has it for more than three days to the vet (unless it is obviously worms) since dehydration is a very real risk with prolonged diarrhea.

With both diarrhea and loose stools, you may see a bit of bright red blood. That is a sign of irritation in the bowels near the anus. It generally isn't cause for alarm. Dark red blood means there is bleeding further back and should be checked by the vet. Large quantities of blood no matter what color warrant a trip to the vet.

Puppies often do have loose stools from that need to experience everything via the mouth. That's just what happens when they learn that they shouldn't eat something. It should go away quickly once the offending 'treat' is out of the system. If you can't find anything they could have eaten to cause it and it does not go away in a couple of days, it can't hurt to see the vet. Especially if they cannot even control it (consider age here) or they are becoming lethargic, dehydrated, or no longer wanting to eat and drink.

This information was written to try to help our new puppy owner's. We realize that this can be worrisome for new pet parents and this information was written to help give you peace of mind. Please don't hesitate to take your Foxhunt puppy to the veterinarian if you feel there is something more wrong than described here.

Please remember, for the **life** of your Foxhunt puppy, we are here to help you. Please feel free to call if you have any questions or concerns. If we don't have the answers, we will do everything we can to help you find the information you are seeking,

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