

A little info on how to train a German Shepherd

German Shepherds are great family dogs. They are friendly and great with kids. They are usually easy to train because they are very loyal and want to please their owners. While there are many great aspects of owning a German Shepherd, you will still need to spend some time training them to adhere to the rules of their new home.

“Just like having a new baby, you have a responsibility to teach them the proper place to use the bathroom and how to behave in the home”.

It is suggested that you take the first few days that they puppy is at your home and spend the entire day with them. You will need to introduce them to the sounds and people that they will come into contact with at your home. Your first priority should be to train them to go outdoors to use the bathroom. You can do this by taking them outside every half hour or so just to sniff out the yard area. If you would like them to use the bathroom in certain areas of the yard, take them on a leash and walk them to that area.

Wait with them there until they have done their business. Be sure to offer great praise when they urinate or have a bowel movement in the area that you would like them to use at all times. This will encourage them to go to this area when they need to.

You should also spend some time walking them

around the neighborhood. This will teach them to walk with you while they are on the leash and will also get them familiar with their new surroundings. They will likely be exposed to other dogs in the neighborhood. They will hear them barking and know that this is part of their new environment.

You should decide what the rules will be in your home as well. Will you allow your new puppy to get up on the furniture? Will they be allowed to sleep in the bed with your or one of your family members? These are rules that you will have to enforce from the beginning so that the new puppy will know what they are and are not allowed to do.

If you do not want the dog to be on the furniture then you should allow them to run freely in the home. When you see that they are trying to get up on the furniture then you should immediately gently push them down to the floor and tell them “no”. After doing this several times they will stop trying to get up on the furniture.

Positive reinforcement is a great way to teach your new German Shepherd puppy to behave in the way that you want them to. Keep some treats at hand so that when they are being good or when they learn a new trick you can give them positive rewards for their positive behavior. Your puppy needs your guidance so be sure to show them love and appreciation when they are being good and show them that you are not pleased when they make mistakes. They will make mistakes but keep working at the training and you will find that your

