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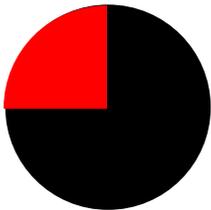
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Transitioning Between Foods... Avoiding a Blowout

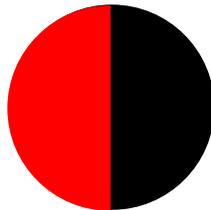
Your Dog is Currently Eating:

Most dogs have a delicate digestive tract and do not take switching foods suddenly very well. Sudden switches can cause gas, diarrhea, vomiting and loss of appetite. To avoid the discomfort and mess of an upset tummy we recommend using the food we have given you to gradually introduce the new kibble into your dogs diet. Every time you switch foods, you should use this method.

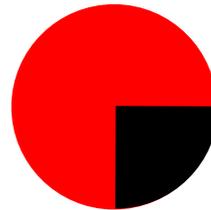
RED is the NEW FOOD
BLACK is the OLD FOOD



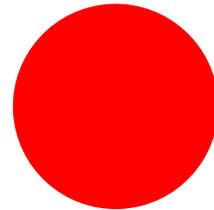
Days 1 & 2



Days 3 & 4



Days 5 & 6



Day 7

Nutrition Tips:

- Feed your dog PUPPY formula until they are 8-12 months and 3/4 of the way done growing.
- Puppy food has more calories to fuel a puppy's high energy level and shouldn't be fed to adult dogs.
 - For Large Breeds, use Large Breed Puppy. Without proper diet, large breeds will develop muscle faster than the bones develop, causing joint problems later in life.
- Read the bag and give your dog the amount listed for their age and weight. If your dog seems hungry, increase by a small amount each day until they seem satisfied, but do not leave any food in the dish.
- Free feeding is not advised, especially for a new dog. Feeding is a bonding experience in which your dog learns to trust and respect you for providing the necessities.

When selecting a food, try to be sure 3 of the first 5 ingredients are a protein. (Chicken, Beef, Lamb... or Venison Meal, Salmon Meal). Ingredients like Corn, Barley, Wheat, Rice, Brown Rice and other grain cannot be digested... that means its coming right back out the other end... and it is going to stink. Try to avoid "meat-by-products" because just about any kind of meat is permitted to be thrown into that mix..... You don't want to know. Feeding a good low or no grain kibble will improve your dog's skin, coat, energy level, weight, and reduce the amount of stool your dog produces.

If you are not sure where to start, here are some of my favorite top-rated foods
4-Star rated foods: Avoderm, Blue Buffalo Life Protection, HALO, Kirkland (Costco), Natural Balance, Pinnacle
5-Star rated foods: Wellness, Merrick, Evo, Blue Wilderness