

Setting Up the Puppy Outdoor Area

If you have private and secured outdoor space available, puppies can be introduced to the outdoors once they are 4 weeks old. Their eyes are too sensitive to daylight before then!

It is critical that any outdoor space be used only by foster's vaccinated dogs and their foster pups. It also needs to be puppy-proofed and secured so that puppies can't escape or get into things that might cause them harm. You can always set up an outdoor playpen or x-pen.

They should be supervised while outdoors! Puppies love leaves and plants, so be mindful of what they have access to and remove fallen leaves regularly.

You need to be mindful of the temperature as well as access to shade and water during warmer months.



Here are some objects and toys that work well in an outdoor space:

- 🐾 Toddler slide
- 🐾 Plastic kiddie pool (with or without balls)
- 🐾 Balls, hard toys
- 🐾 Larger toys
- 🐾 Step stool for kids
- 🐾 Elevated dog bed