



This month's newsletter is going to be some of our frequently asked questions, and our typical answers. We thought we do this for those that may have the same questions, but don't always have time to ask when they come into the store. If you don't see your question on here please contact us via our email ([barklyandmeows@gmail.com](mailto:barklyandmeows@gmail.com)), Facebook, or please call the store (330) 408-7050.

◇ Q: Should I feed puppy or kitten food?

◇ A: For young pets we do recommend a puppy or kitten diet because it offers your pet the nutrition they need during that crucial growth period. However keep in there are All Life Stages foods available. Which means you just increase and decrease the amount of food you feed your pet as they grow and age.

◇ Q: How long should I feed my pet a puppy/kitten diet?

◇ A: This is another reason All Life Stages foods are great. The feeding chart will offer an age section to help you determine how much food your pet should get during each stage of its life. If you choose to go with a food that isn't an All Life Stages formula we recommend switching foods when your pet reaches a certain age or milestone. (Example: Our Zephyr was getting too tall too fast our vet recommended switching from puppy to adult food at 5 months just feed three times a day instead of two. It slowed his growth and he was never hungry, and still fully grown at 12 months. As we approach 18 months we've increased his food per feeding but cut down to two feedings to add some muscle weight because he was too skinny. He has happily accepted more food.) Most of the time for medium to large breed dogs puppy food is fed for 12-18 months. Cats get kitten food for 8-12 months. Always talk to your vet before switching formulas, they may have more advice for pet specific dietary needs.

◇ Q: My dog is going through this bag of food really fast I feel like I'm here every two weeks.

◇ A: How much are you feeding your dog at each feeding? Let's check the feeding recommendations on your bag of food. If you are feeding too much cut back. If you are feed-

ing the correct amount and your dog or cat still seems hungry we may need to change to a better quality food. Higher quality food gives your pet the nutrition they need via quality ingredients instead of supplements so they get the nutrition they need and you feed them less actual kibble.

◇ Q: What food do you feed your dog and cat?

◇ A: Our dogs both eat *Acana* Either Free-Run Poultry (Chicken) formula, or Heritage Meats (Beef) formula. Our cat eats *Orijen*, Cat & Kitten formula.

◇ Q: Do you have indestructible toys?

◇ A: We have Some Tough Toys, that will hold up better than others, but no toy lasts forever. Some of our toughest toys also come with satisfaction guarantees from the company that makes the toys. Check out our *West Paw* design toys, and *Planet Dog* toys.

◇ Q: My dog's favorite food is Cheese, is it ok to feed my dog people food?

◇ A: Yes, but not all people food is ok for pets. The internet is a great resource for information about what people foods are safe for pets. Zephyr loves green beans and Phineas loves bananas, and our cat loves bacon (she only gets tiny pieces and not many).

◇ Q: What is the best cat litter?

◇ A: It tells you in the name *World's Best Litter* is the best, but not all cats like it. It is a corn based litter that is biodegradable, and flushable. It holds the smell in and last forever if you scoop often. The smell and texture are different than other litters so some cats get finicky about it.

◇ Q: Do you have a website?

◇ A: We do [Barklyandmeows.com](http://Barklyandmeows.com) is our website and you can learn about us, and see what we offer, get coupons, and now we offer online ordering with 2-3 day delivery inside the continental US. Save 10% on online orders with the Coupon code: **TENOFF** at checkout.