FIRST TIME PET OWNER TIPS

THINGS TO DO

Visit the local Vet:

1. Eliminate any possible concerns your new pet might have.
2. Get your must-have Vaccinations for rabies, parvo, etc.
3. De-worming is especially important for a good healthy start in life.
4. Sterilisation is your next most important thing to do.

Grooming and Medication:

Grooming – If your pet has long hair, start looking for a reputable groomer near you.
Tick and Flea Protection. Speak to your vet and the groomer about protecting your pets from ticks and fleas. Always get references for groomers and veterinarian services near you.

Microchipping:

It is a common and inexpensive procedure. Be sure to keep this information safe in your pet's file at home.
Remember to update your details every year at the microchip company regarding changes in your contact details.

Pet Insurance:

The cost of veterinary care goes up every year, and you will be shocked when you finally get to see the bill. For this, we highly recommend pet insurance as soon as possible.
Visit www.PetHealthcare.co.za today.

Register your Pet:

In many areas, especially complexes and enclosed communities, it is necessary to get your dog or cat licensed or registered — the cost for not having permission can be pretty severe, such as you have to move or get rid of the animal.

Training:

Teach your pet how to walk on a leash, pet-recall, and other socially acceptable behaviours, which will make your life together more fun.

Nutrition:

Get age-appropriate food. Human food is not safe for pets – it can be toxic to pets including chocolate, grapes, onions, avocados, raisins, macadamia nuts, garlic, and coffee. Avoid dry dog and cat food as much as possible.

Animal Emergency contacts:

If you are incapacitated, or your animal gets hurt, and someone needs to be ready to take care of you and or your pets, who do you recommend?

VET		HOUSE SITTER		PET INSURANCE PH NUMBER	
VET AFTER HRS		DOG WALKER		MICROCHIP	
GROOM		TRAINER		FOOD SUPPLIER	

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