

Recipe to Perk Up Unthrifty Puppies

From Myra Morrison, Jubilee Pugs

4 oz Evaporated Milk (not condensed!)
4 oz natural baccillus plain yogurt (available in health food stores)
1 egg yolk (raw)
1 tablespoon mayonnaise (*not* salad dressing...*not* Miracle Whip! Real *mayonnaise*!)
about 6 drops of a human pediatric liquid multi-vitamin with **no fluoride added**

Run it through the blender and then keep it in a sterilized glass jar in the refrigerator. Try to use it all within two days. Warm it to body temp and tube feed it to the fading or orphaned puppy.

Here are the feeding guidelines and the “calorie counter” for puppies:

4 ounce puppy needs 24 ccs per day to maintain
6 ounce puppy needs 36 ccs per day to maintain
8 ounce puppy needs 48 ccs per day to maintain

(12 ccs equal 1 tablespoon)

The first day of life, the puppy's stomach will only hold 1 cc at a time. So you would need to feed this one 24 times that first day or know that the puppy will not maintain the first day (most do not anyhow). Each day, increase the amount to 50% of the current "dose" so the second day, puppy could be fed 16 times at 1 1/2 cc per feeding. Third day at 12 times with 2 ccs per feeding. Now you need to start increasing the amount to make the puppy **gain** weight, rather than just maintain it. So, if you increase the amount to 3 ccs per feeding and feed 12 times, you will start to see a gain in weight.

Another bit of information is:

A one pound puppy needs 110 calories per day to maintain. (8 ounces of mother's milk equals 55 calories). There is one calorie per millogram, or cc, of Mother's milk. To gain weight, the puppy needs to get more than the 110 calories/pound each day.

The recipe above provides more than 1 calorie per ml. That is probably why puppies do so well on it.