



## RAISING A PUPPY – WHAT DOES IT COST?

Can we afford to keep a puppy? The cost of a new puppy is outlined below. This is an estimate only based on your puppy's first year of life.

ITEM	COST
<i>Approx. Cost Initial purchase price of puppy</i>	\$3,000
Vaccinations	\$145
De-sexing (male)	\$170
De-sexing (female)	\$200
Micro chipping	\$50
Flea and tick prevention	\$280
Puppy School	\$180
Health check	\$45
Heartworm prevention (vaccination)	\$75
Intestinal worming tablets	\$100
Council registration fees	\$80
Pet Insurance	\$650
Obedience classes	\$200
Food	\$520
Toys	\$50
Collars and leads (at least 2, allowing for growth)	\$80
Car harnesses (at least 2, allowing for growth)	\$60
Play pen or kennel	\$110
ID Tag	\$15
Sundries (brushes etc)	\$50
Bedding	\$100
<b>1 Year's Total (not including purchase of puppy)</b>	<b>\$3,160</b>