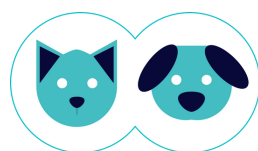


# Tips on Storing and Preparing Dog Food and Treats



A checklist of tips on storing and preparing dog food and treats.



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## HOW TO STORE DOG FOOD AND TREATS:

- Practice first-in, first-out: use up older food first.
- Store dry food in an airtight container in a cool, dry place.
- Keep frozen food in the freezer until use.
- Bulging cans of wet food should be discarded.

## WHEN FEEDING:

- Either wet or dry food is fine. Consider a dental cleaning dry food if your dog has gingivitis, or soft foods for an elderly dog that has difficulty chewing.
- Measure food to avoid overfeeding. Portion food according to this chart from the WSAVA. Follow this link:  
<https://www.wsava.org/WSAVA/media/Arpita-and-Emma-editorial/Calorie-Needs-for-Healthy-Adult-Dogs.pdf>
- Throw food away moist, wet or raw food after two (2) hours if not eaten.
- Stainless steel dishes are best because they resist bacterial growth.
- Wash your hands with warm soapy water after handling dog food.
- Regularly wash and sanitize food dishes.