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Basic Clipping Guide



Before you start:

- Know the type of coat that your dog has and be sure you are using the correct tools. Thick, double or dense coats require a more powerful clipper.
- The attachment combs offer various length options. Decide on the length of coat you wish to leave on the dog. The combs are available in numbers 1 - 8, with 1 being the shortest.



TIP: If you are not sure what length you want, use a longer grade, you can always go shorter if needed.

- If you are using a rechargeable product ensure it is fully charged before you start.
- Have all your grooming tools to hand so you don't have to leave your pet once you have started.



TIP: Basic tools include Electric clipper, Brush, Comb, Clipper oil, Electric trimmer, Round end scissors, Pin brush, De-tangler, Blade cleaning brush.

- Check the clipper blades are sharp, free from rust and have no broken teeth. This will ensure the coat is cut evenly, not snagged or pulled.



TIP: Ensure the coat is clean, dry and brushed through before you begin clipping.

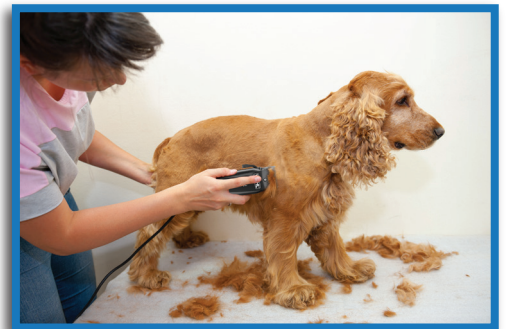
- Oil your clipper blades before you start and regularly remove clipped hair and re-oil as you continue clipping.
- Groom the dog regularly for short periods of time and reward the dog with positive reinforcement.



Clipping & Trimming

TIP: Turn the clippers or trimmers on before putting them close to the dog to reduce any stress and de-sensitise.

- Place the flat side of the blade against the body of the dog and move the clippers through the hair following the lay of the coat. To ensure you achieve an even finish, always clip in the direction of the hair growth.



TIP: If you wish to reduce the length of hair left on your dog, you can clip against the lay of the coat, but take care not to catch the skin between the blades.

- When clipping or trimming areas with folds or wrinkles of skin, use your spare hand to stretch the skin to prevent the blades cutting or catching the skin.



- NEVER dig the blade into your dog's coat or bury the teeth into the fur - ALWAYS keep the blade flat against the hair as you clip.
- A smaller trimmer which has a narrower blade is useful when finishing the legs, feet, face, ears and harder to reach areas.
- Once finished, brush the coat to remove any loose hair.
- Always clean and oil the blades before storing them away.

