How to Post Your New Puppy's Ears

Congratualtions on your new Kettle Cove Doberman Puppy! Now that your puppy is home, it is time to start teaching his/her ears to stand. Ear posting is very important and will be crucial to your routine with your new puppy over the next several months.

This step by step guide will show you how to properly care for your new puppy's ears. It is important to note that when you post your puppy's ears, the posts will stay in for 3–5 days. When it is time to take your puppy's ear posts out, refer to our **How to Un-Post Your New Puppy's Ears** guide for step by step instructions.

Necessary Supplies

- Paper Tape
- Clear Transpore Tape
- Silk Tape
- Caldesene Powder (in the baby isle)
- Blue Gold Bond
- Tampons (sized to fit your puppy)
- Co-Flex or VetWrap



Step One

Mix both powders together in a little container, creating a 50/50 mixture.



Step Two

Cut 6 pieces of transpore clear tape, about 3 inches each.



<u>Step Three</u>

Pull cotton out of the tampon (about a 1/2 inch) and secure with a piece of transpore clear tape



Step FourFluff the cotton tip



Step Five

Back the tape (sticky side out) starting at the end with the string, working your way down to the cotton tip using Transpore Clear tape.







 $\underline{Step\ Six}$

Cut 2 pieces of Co-Flex/VetWrap 4 to 5 inches wide



Step Seven

Put the 2 pieces of Co-Flex/VetWrap aside for now



Step EightCut 6 pieces of paper tape 4 inches long



Step TenDip the cotton tip in the powder



<u>Step Twelve</u> Stick one edge of the Co-Flex/VetWrap to the tampon



Step NinePowder all the edges and the base of the ear



<u>Step Eleven</u>
Put the cotton tip end into the bottom of the base of the ear while stretching the ear upward tightly



Close up of the Co-Flex/VetWrap stuck to the tampon



Step Thirteen

Loosly wrap the Co-Flex/VetWrap inward (towards the middle of the head) around the ear...



<u>DO NOT</u> pull it tight or stretch it. <u>IF YOU PULL OR</u> <u>STRETCH</u> it, you will cut off the circulation to your puppy's ears.

Step Fourteen

Slightly & gently squeeze from the top downward



Step Fifteen

Loosly tape the tip of the ear with one of the pieces of paper tape (already cut).

NOT TOO TIGHT!!!!!



Step Sixteen

Tape the bottom of the ear using one of the pieces of paper tape - wrap from the back and cross over in the front.... loosly, **NOT TOO TIGHT**



Step Seventeen

Place a second piece of paper tape on the bottom of the ear



<u>Step Nineteen</u>

Cut 2 pieces of silk tape 6 inches long



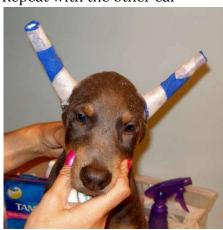
Step Twenty-One

Make sure the ears are straight up (not tiping in nor out)



Step Eighteen

Repeat with the other ear



Step Twenty

Place one piece of silk tape across the front of both ears



Step Twenty-Two

Place the second piece of silk tape across the back of both ears



Step Twenty-Three

Place the second piece of silk tape across the back of **View of the bridge from above** both ears



Step Twenty-Four

Pinch both pieces of silk tape together





Finished Product



The most important thing about posting is ${\color{red}\underline{NOT\ TOO\ TIGHT}}$ or you will cut the circulation off and loose an ear tip or the whole ear!!!!! I cannot stress this enough!!!!!!!

When VetWrap/Co-Flex gets wet it can constrict. **PLEASE** make sure if your puppy's posts get wet, change the posts. It is much better to be safe, rather than sorry.