



## Ohio Administrative Code Rule 901:1-6-04 Food and water.

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Unless otherwise specified or unless otherwise directed by a veterinarian, this rule applies to all adult dogs and puppies kept by high volume breeders.

(A) Dogs shall receive food at least two times per day that is of sufficient quantity and quality to ensure maintenance of normal body condition and weight.

(B) Dogs shall receive access to clean potable water on a continual basis that is of sufficient quantity and quality to ensure maintenance of normal body condition and growth.

(C) Water bottles with ball dispensers cannot be used as the only source of water, except during transportation.

(D) Food and water receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary.

(E) Food provided shall be unspoiled and uncontaminated.

(F) A nutritional plan shall be developed with veterinary guidance.

(G) The appropriate number and size of food and water receptacles shall be provided to ensure access by all adult dogs and puppies in the housing facility.

(H) All food and water equipment shall be inspected on a weekly basis and maintained in working condition.

(I) Opened food shall be stored in leak proof containers with tightly fitting lids to protect them from spoilage, vermin infestation and contamination.

(J) Unopened food shall not be stored on the floor.



(K) Water and food may be restricted or withheld temporarily for purposes of:

(1) Preparation for administration of medication in the water; and,

(2) Specific management practices under veterinary direction.

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