

## Grooming Tips

**Bleaching Stains:** Mix equal of 3% Peroxide, milk of Magnesia and cornstarch. Rub into the stains (do not get into the eyes) and let dry. Repeat as necessary.

**Cutting Nails:** Angle nail clippers with the top edge facing forward the dog. This will make the nail shorter as the dog will wear off the bottom part. Or file.

**How to adjust your clipper blade:** Sometimes your clipper blades, particularly the #40 & #30 blades, are not adjusted correctly. The smaller upper blade should be far enough back from the front edge of the larger lower blade so it won't cut the skin of the dog. By loosening the two screws on the blade, you can pull the upper blade back and tighten the screws. Check to make sure the blade didn't slip back into an improper position.

**Brushes and Combs:**

I use a slicker (has bent teeth) brush. There are many types. You will learn what is best for you and your dog. I use the 1 ½ " tooth length "Greyhound" course & medium comb.

**Bathing:** If your dog is not matted or has only a few mats, I find that it is better to bathe with a conditioning shampoo and blow dry before brushing out mats. They brush out easier from a clean coat and with less hair loss.