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The Simple Way to Choose the Best Dog Food for Your Pet

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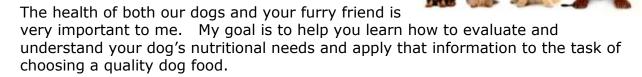
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## **Your Dog Is Unique**

To begin considering the right dog food for your furry friend, the best place to start is by evaluating your own dog and their individual needs. Why? Your dog is **unique** and has their individual diet and energy requirements. The reason for you to do your own evaluation is because you know your pup better than anyone and will be able to determine their special needs, health issues and other variables that a stranger just wouldn't know.

However, because advertising and fancy packaging often entices you to choose a dog food based on your feelings rather than its nutritional contents, it's important that I give you all of the facts about dog food labeling so that you can make an informed and educated decision



Your dog needs energy to support their body functions and to give them energy to maintain a constant body temperature. Every dog has individual characteristics that make it necessary to evaluate their nutritional and energy needs on an individual basis. Energy and diet requirements are required for both adult dogs and puppies.

Each dog has its own individual requirements based on their body weight, breed, genetics, age and how active they are. For an active working dog the requirements

will be much higher than a dog that prefers to snuggle up on the couch all day long. Even two working dogs of the same breed will have different requirements from each other because every dog is **unique**.

The following **basic energy requirements** are required for a complete nutritional dog diet. The five basics of these energy requirements are **protein**, **carbohydrates**, **fats**, **vitamins and minerals**.

#### 5 Basic Dog Energy Requirements

- 1. **Protein** Meat Should be approximately 20% of the adult diet
- Carbohydrates Rice, Corn, Wheat, Soy should be approximately 50% of diet
- 3. **Fats** Approximately 9 to 15%
- 4. **Vitamins** A, B, C, D, E & K Complexes
- 5. **Minerals** Calcium, Potassium, Sodium & Magnesium & Other Trace Elements

### **MADDIE & RODEO TIP:**

Many dog food manufacturers offer free samples for your dog to try. Check out their websites or call them directly. Most are more than willing to ship a potential new customer a sample.

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