



# HOW TO FEED

## Hello!

Thank you for all your efforts to help us with this research. This page illustrates the steps for how to weigh the food out & back in plus other important details so that you can answer the questions in the follow up survey.

### USING THE SCALE TO PREPARE THE SERVING:

1



Weigh in Grams

Set the scale to measure in grams (g) and make sure the display shows a zero.

[There may be a Unit button on the top or a switch on the bottom of the scale to select grams]

2



Place your empty regular serving bowl on the scale and write down the weight (in grams) on your notepad

3



WITH THE BOWL STILL ON THE SCALE, press the "Tare" button to return the display to zero (you may need to press Tare more than once)

4



Add food to the bowl until you see the number of grams we asked you to serve, and write down the exact number shown on the scale

You might be off by a few grams – please get as close as you can and report the exact number on your scale in the survey

5



Place the bowl down and watch your dog during their first "bout" (or for the first 5 minutes or so) of eating before leaving it for the remaining time: 20 minutes

6



Once the 20 minutes have passed, turn on the scale and set it to measure in grams and make sure it shows a zero

7



Place the feeding bowl with any remaining food in it on the scale. Write down and report the total weight (bowl + remaining food)

### OTHER THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Watch for the feeding alerts we send out which will tell you which product to serve, how much, and for how long
- Be as precise as possible when recording and reporting the starting and ending weights of the bowl and food.
- Use a digital clock to note the start and end time of your feeding
  - Start the time when you offer the food
  - End after the time specified\*
- A "bout" is the time when your dog is actively eating.
- Feed your assigned dog INSIDE your home and free of distractions, including other pets in the home
- It's ok if it seems like a lot of food – we don't expect your dog to eat all of it, but it's also ok if they do!
- Observe how your dog approaches the food
- Only serve one test product per day
- If you miss a feeding, please contact us for further instruction

*\*If your dog is still actively eating and you don't feel safe removing the bowl, please wait until it is safe to do so and tell us how long it was out for*