Housebreaking Your Puppy or Adult Dog

TWO main points ~

1. Confinement so your dog cannot go to the bathroom in the **wrong** places.
2. Constant or regular access to the **right** place to go to the bathroom.

Confinement from the wrong places

Confinement means that until your dog is housebroken, **he is never allowed to walk freely around the house**.

Confinement means **every minute of every hour of every day** -- unless you are sitting with your dog, playing with him, walking him, feeding him, grooming him, teaching him something, or otherwise interacting with him.

Because if he is loose and you take your eyes off him for just a few moments, he can go to the bathroom on your floor -- **and the bad habit is begun**.

Access to the RIGHT place

This means you TAKE your dog outside -- or he lets himself outside through a doggy door. Or it means you provide him with newspapers or a litter box indoors. He must have SOMEWHERE to "go" -- on a regular, reliable basis.

If the only place your dog has a change to “GO” is
Outside on a regular schedule, or on newspapers then
That is the habit he will develop. If left loose in the house,
Then that is the habit he will develop – It is up to you!

Confinement in a crate. Take outside to bathroom.

Confinement in an exercise pen. Constant access to newspapers or a litterbox.

Confinement in a small room. Constant access to an outside yard via a doggy door.