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Printable Recipe Sheet • Make Dog Food at Home

Starter Recipe 1: Turkey & Rice (≈ 1,800 kcal total)

Cooked and complete when you add the listed supplements exactly as directed. Cool before adding heat-sensitive blends.

Ingredients (Cooked Weights)

| Ingredient | Amount | Notes |
|--|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 93% lean ground turkey | 900 g (≈ 2 l b) | Cook to 165°F/74°C and drain |
| White rice (cooked) | 300 g | Fluffy, not wet |
| Carrots + green beans (steamed, chopped) | 200 g | Fine chop for uniform mix |
| Oil (olive or canola) | 15 g (≈ 1 Tbsp) | Stir in after cooling |

Target batch yield \approx **1,415 g** cooked food.

Supplements (Do Not Skip)

| Supplement | Batch Dose | How to Add |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Calcium (elemental) | ≈ 1,800–2,000 mg for this batch | Use finely ground eggshell or calcium carbonate/citrate; follow product label |
| Canine vitamin/mineral blend | Per label for ≈ 1,800 kcal batch | Mix into cooled food for even distribution |
| Fish oil (EPA+DHA) | Daily dose with each serving | Provide ~50–100 mg EPA+DHA per kg body weight/day; add at mealtime |

These close micronutrient gaps (Ca:P balance, trace minerals, vitamins).

Calories & Portions

(Batch kcal)

Batch weight

kcal per gram

≈ 1,800 kcal

≈ 1,415 g

≈ 1.27 kcal/g

| Dog Size (example) | Approx kcal/day* | Grams/day of this recipe | Days per batch (≈1,415 g) |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Toy (~8–10 lb) | ~220 | ~173 g | ~8.2 |
| Small (~15 lb) | ~400 | ~315 g | ~4.5 |
| Medium (~30 lb) | ~750 | ~591 g | ~2.4 |

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|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Large (~60 lb) | ~1,300 | ~1,024 g | ~1.4 |
| Giant (~90 lb) | ~1,800 | ~1,417 g | ~1.0 |

^{*}Daily calories vary by age/activity/BCS. Recalculate using RER/MER if needed. Label portions with grams and kcal.

Method (Quick)

- 1. Cook turkey thoroughly; drain. Steam rice and vegetables.
- 2. Cool components quickly on sheet pans; combine in a large bowl.
- 3. Stir in oil; add calcium + canine vitamin/mineral blend exactly per label; mix well.
- 4. Weigh daily or half-day portions; label recipe/date/grams/kcal.
- 5. Fridge 3–4 days; freeze 2–3 months. Add fish oil at mealtime.

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