

**Bathing - Grooming - Clipping - Scissoring - Hand Stripping
Nails Cut - Ears Cleaned & Plucked - Teeth Descaled - Anal Glands Expressed**

THE FOUR PAWZ WAY

Preparation for styling is the most important and time consuming element of the process.

When your dog has settled after your departure, we thoroughly assess the coat condition.

If the dog is to be clipped and has a very heavy coat, we do a rough clip first to remove the bulk. Excessive loose hair and matts will also be removed. Ears will be checked, cleaned and plucked as necessary.

The dog will then be bathed, body massaged, zoom groomed and checked head to toe for lumps, bumps, fleas, parasites, full anal glands and dental status.

All the shampoos and conditioners we use are of good quality and some are completely natural. We will choose a shampoo suitable for the individual coat type, for example, sensitive, de-odourizing, colour enhancing, conditioning, etc. Your dog may need 2 or more shampoos to ensure the coat is clean and free of loose dead hair.

Once your dog has been bathed he will be totally dried, combed and/or brushed through to remove all dead hair. Only when the coat is clean, dry and matt-free can styling commence. Nails will be trimmed whilst soft from the bath.

We generally work to Breed standards but, as most dogs are pets or cross-breeds and keeping the dog (and house!) clean and mud-free can be important, we will style to your requirements. However, once a dog has been neutered this may affect his/her coat and certain procedures, such as hand stripping, may not be appropriate or kind.

Following a final brush out and the application of a finishing spray your dog is ready to go home with his own grooming report.

Please note that the price charged will be determined by the amount of work undertaken. Regulars within 2 months requiring minimal work/tidy ups will be charged less than those dogs with abundant coat condition/excessive undercoat, lots of knots, matted and overgrown coats or those requiring complete reshaping/re-styling and intensive work. Additionally difficult and uncooperative dogs requiring two people to steady, reassure and handle will be charged more than those who sit/lay quietly whilst being groomed!

We reserve the right to refuse to groom any aggressive and/or dangerous dog which we deem would compromise our staff, clients and other dogs' safety.