

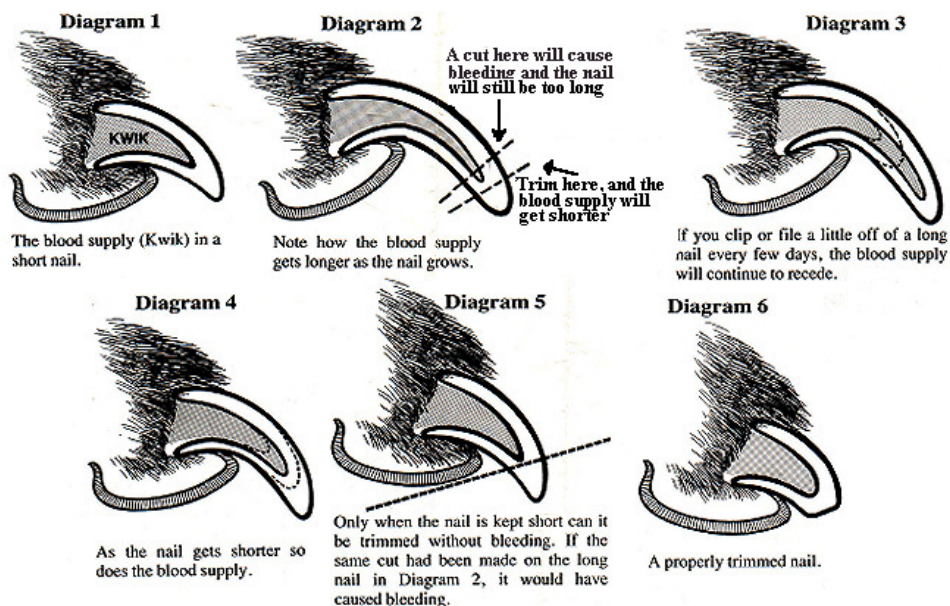
Pooch Pedicures

When you hear the telltale "click-click-click" as your dog walks across the tile floor, you know it's that time again - time to trim the toenails. Trimming your dog's nails is not just a part of grooming; it's important for your pet's health as well. You should remember that untrimmed nails can cause a variety of problems including broken nails, which are painful and bleed profusely.

While some dogs don't seem to mind when you're trimming their nails, others just plain don't like it. Make trimming time fun and not a struggle. If your pet is not used to having his nails trimmed, start slowly and work up to it gradually.

Tips on Clips

- Use toenail clippers that are made specifically for toenail trimming.
- Cut nails perpendicularly to the long axis of the nail, and about one-quarter inch away from the quick (blood supply.)
- If you cut too short and the nail bleeds, draw the nail across a bar of softened soap to control the bleeding. You can also use a styptic powder or stick that will clot the blood quickly. (Kwik Stop is a brand commonly available at your local pet supply retailer.)



Still not comfortable trimming your dogs nails? Have a professional here at Metro Dog do it for you. A nail trim can be added as additional service while your dog is a daycare or boarding.