HOW TO DISCIPLINE YOUR PIG:

These brief suggestions are just the beginning of understanding your pet pig. We encourage you to continue to gather information about your potbellied pig by observation, asking questions, and seeking out experienced advice from qualified breeders, vets, and other pig parents.

The training and discipline of your pig are your responsibility. This responsibility is not to be taken lightly. Your pig is never too young to begin her training. From the very beginning, she must understand the parameters of acceptable behavior, and be corrected if she doesn't mind you. Pigs are hierarchical by nature, thus the owner must always be in charge. Your pig should be taught from the first moment she enters your home that ALL HUMANS, in all circumstances, are to be respected and never challenged. Never under estimate your pig and always establish yourself as "top pig". Your potbellied pig, who is a living, intelligent and loving creature, is totally dependent on you to give her the home and training she deserves.

To help your pet pigs live a long and healthy life; the following are several considerations.

DO

- Provide your pet pig with companion animals and a broad life experience with other people and environments.
- Provide your pet pig with appropriate responses to what she is doing or saying.
- Learn how a pig thinks and how to "Talk Pig".
- Provide your pet pig with adequate activities including time outside, toys, and a place to just be themselves
- Provide' your pet pig with the respect she deserves, being the fifth most intelligent creature on earth.
- Provide your pet pig with good parenting skills including unbending rules, loving, educational discipline, and realistic boundaries.

DON'T

- Assume your pet pig can happily live alone and cloistered.
- Assume your pet pig does not have her own way of communicating.
- Assume your pet pig is passive and needs no stimulation.
- Assume your pet pig in not intelligent.
- Assume your pet pig does not need to be trained with rules to follow.