

THE LED LIGHT

The LED light (B), will come on and stay on once the nest rises to the set temperature. If the light should go out, check to see if the plug (A), is secure. If the LED stays out, then the unit is below setting and not working correctly. To secure the LED (B) to the wall, use a nail or screw to hang.

STRESS PAD

Animals suffering hypothermia or trauma can be aided in recovery by using the Whelping Nest as a stress pad set at 100°F.

STEP SEVEN

Included with your Heated Whelping Nest is a temperature strip to periodically check the temperature of your whelping unit. To properly check the temperature of your unit:

1. Lay the temperature strip flat in the Whelping Nest.
2. Cover the temperature strip with a folded dry towel.
3. Let the unit run for 15 minutes and check the temperature strip reading.

The proper reading is as follows:

GREEN: Exact temperature
TAN: Deduct 1°
BLUE: Add 1°

IMPORTANT NOTE:
Do not remove the white strip from the back of the temperature strip. This will allow you to reuse the strip again.

SUPPLEMENTAL HEAT

The whelping nest can also be used as supplemental heat for adult dogs in winter time. We recommend setting the temperature selector at 90° F.



HEATED WHELPING NEST

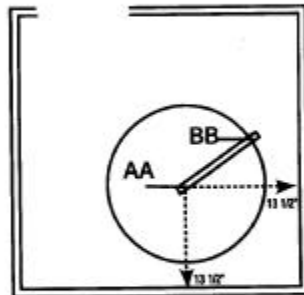
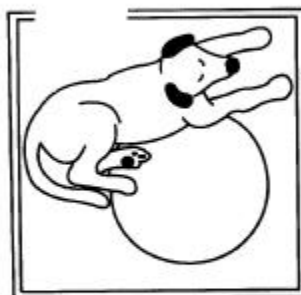
INSTRUCTIONS

STEP ONE

Be sure the whelping floor is large enough for bitch to lay stretched out without interfering with the nest. If possible, the female should have room to circle the nest, before lying down.

STEP TWO

Determine the center of the nest on whelping floor and mark a minimum of 13 1/2" from both sides of box. Cut off floor marker strip found at the bottom of inside pages. Nail floor marker to center of the floor at point A. Insert pencil through floor marker at point B. Mark your circle and cut out.



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STEP THREE

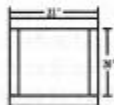
If whelping box sets on floor, use a 2 x 4 on edge to raise box above floor, this will provide proper clearance for the nest. Determine where cord will come out of box and cut a 3/4" notch, or drill a 1 1/4" hole. Attach nest to floor with 3/4" stainless steel screws (enclosed) locating cord to proper side.

IMPORTANT

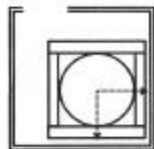
No portion of the electrical cord should be exposed to the dog.

STEP FOUR

After cutting hole in the floor make a 2 x 4 frame for added strength to prevent top ring of the nest from breaking off. Cut two 20", 2 x 4 s and two 23" 2x4 s. Nail or screw together as shown.



After nailing or screwing the 2x4 s together place them as a frame around the hole underneath the whelping nest floor. Then screw the frame to the floor.



STEP FIVE

INSULATING YOUR WHELPING NEST

If the nest is exposed to the outdoor cold air, we recommend insulating the entire floor of the whelping area (Figure 1). This method will be more comfortable for the bitch as well as the pups; however, if you choose not to use this method, the nest alone should be insulated (Figure 2).



Figure 1

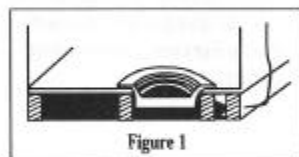


Figure 2

STEP SIX

TEMPERATURE SETTING

Whelping Nest comes pre-set at 95°F. Temperature adjustment control (D), is located behind plastic, screw-in plug (C). Whelping nest has a setting range of approximately 90 to 100°F. Turn control (D), counter clockwise to lower temperature, clockwise to raise the temperature. Temperature changes about 2°F per click.

RECOMMENDED SETTINGS

- 90°F for heating pad
- 95°F whelping and pups
- 100°F for stress pad

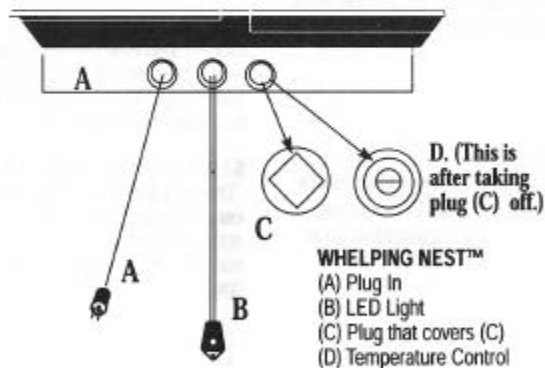
NOTE:

If the air temperature is 80 to 85°F or higher, the whelping nest can be turned OFF.

We've put the temperature control setting purposefully in a hard to reach location. Once set, temperature does not need to be constantly adjusted. The Whelping Nest, unlike most heat pads, will constantly adjust itself to set temperature.

TEMPERATURE

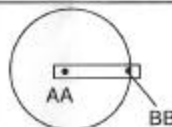
To determine if the temperature you've selected is ideal for the situation, observe the habits of the puppies. If temperature is ideal, you will find the pups nestled together. If too warm, pups will leave the nest. We recommend setting the whelping nest on 95°F. The whelping nest should be used for at least 3 weeks after the puppies are born.



- WHELPING NEST™**
 (A) Plug In
 (B) LED Light
 (C) Plug that covers (C)
 (D) Temperature Control

WHELPING NEST™ FLOOR MARKER

1. Place a nail through your floor marker on Point AA
2. Place pencil through Point BB
3. Draw your circle



AA

BB