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Weight Loss Canine Food Recommendations

- Be sure that your dog's food has grain included
 - A 2018-2019 study by the FDA found a correlation between grain-free diets and the development of dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM), a type of heart disease.
 - For more information on grain-free diets and DCM, please visit: https://www.fda.gov/animal-veterinary/outbreaks-and-advisories/fda-investigation-potential-link-between-certain-diets-and-canine-dilated-cardiomyopathy
- Over the counter (OTC) weight loss diet options include:
 - Purina Pro Plan Weight Management
 - Royal Canin Weight Care
 - Hill's Science Diet Perfect Weight
 - Eukanuba Fit Body Weight Control
 - IAMS Healthy Weight
- Prescription weight loss diets are also available, such as:
 - Hill's r/d Weight Reduction
 - Hill's Metabolic
 - Royal Canin Satiety Support
 - Purina Pro Plan OM Overweight Management
- When making a food switch, it is always recommended to **transition** slowly in order to avoid gastrointestinal upset:
 - ❖ Day 1-3: 75% current food, 25% new food
 - ❖ Day 4-6: 50% current food, 50% new food
 - ❖ Day 7-10: 25% current food, 75% new food
 - ❖ Day 11: 100% new food