THE GLEN OF IMAAL TERRIER is an achondroplasic breed.



Legs are short. Front ones a little shorter and also slightly bowed with feet turned slightly out, therefore care needs to be taken going down steps as they can topple over.

Slow to mature, great care must be taken as the skeleton develops and strengthens. (you wouldn't take a toddler on a mile controlled walk in to town on a hard surface and a puppy is no different)

Remember the 5 min rule for controlled walks ie. 5 min per month per outing.

Rough and tumble in the garden is not controlled. The puppy will strengthen his muscles to support his joints and flop down when he has had enough.

Too much throwing a ball for him to fetch can cause damage twisting and turning an immature skeleton, devise other games like rolling a ball with treats inside.

Avoid constant jumping on/off furniture and going up/down stairs at any age for a Glen of Imaal Terrier .

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