

Buying a Beagle Puppy

What to expect from a Breeder who puts Health, Welfare and Temperament First



Essential Documents

- ✓ • Signed AWF Puppy Contract
- KC Registration Certificate (if applicable)
- Microchip Registration Certificate
- Temporary Pet Health Insurance
- Vaccination Certificate
- Copies of Health Certificates
- A good breeder will*
- have socialised and habituated the puppy
- provide a supply of food
- provide a blanket smelling of Mum
- follow the Code of Practice for Dog Breeding

✓ Health Certificates (both parents)

Official Health Schemes

- BVA/KC screening for eye disease. DBRG recommends that all dogs should be visually examined by an ophthalmologist before breeding.

DNA tests relevant to breed

- Lafora disease
- MLS - Musladin-Lueke syndrome
- NCCD - neonatal cerebellar cortical degeneration
- Factor VII deficiency
- IGS - Imlerslund-Gräsbeck Syndrome/cobalamin malabsorption



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Brief explanations and other diseases that may be more common in the breed – if in doubt then consult your vet for guidance

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The **BVA/KC eye testing scheme** checks for many inherited abnormalities that can cause progressive blindness or pain.

DNA tests relevant to breed

Lafora disease – progressive twitching and weakness

MLS - Musladin-Lueke syndrome – multiple serious abnormalities, can shorten life

NCCD - neonatal cerebellar cortical degeneration – wobbly gait and paralysis

Factor VII deficiency – abnormal blood clotting

IGS - Imerlund-Gräsbeck Syndrome/cobalamin malabsorption – weakness and anaemia

Other Diseases - no current health scheme or DNA test available

Hypothyroidism - insufficient thyroid hormone, chronic lethargy & other problems

Obesity – beagles are prone to weight gain, which can cause health problems

www.dbrg.uk/breed-health-information.html

