



Buying a Bull TerrierPuppy

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)**

BVA/KC Health Schemes

- Hip dysplasia (HD)
- BAER testing
- Bull Terrier Club Heart Scheme - auscultation and ultrasound
- Bull Terrier Club Kidney Scheme - UPC test and ultrasound

DNA Tests available

- Familial nephropathy
- Acrodermatitis, lethal (LAD)
- Factor IX deficiency
- Polycystic kidney disease

Breed Health and Conservation Plan (BHCP)
www.thebullterrierclub.org
www.dbrg.uk/guide-to-buying-a-puppy.html





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Brief Explanation and other Diseases

If in doubt ask your vet for guidance

Health Schemes - testing available

Hip dysplasia (HD) - abnormal formation of the hip, pain and lameness

BAER testing - deafness

Heart disease Mitral valve disease, Aortic stenosis, both leading to heart failure

Kidney disease - kidney failure, kidney cysts

DNA Tests - available

Familial nephropathy - early onset kidney failure

Acrodermatitis, lethal (LAD) - fatal skin disease

Factor IX deficiency - blood clotting disorder

Polycystic kidney disease - kidney cysts which destroy kidney function

Other Diseases - no current health scheme or DNA test available

Atopic dermatitis - allergic skin disease

Shoulder osteochondrosis - cartilage abnormalities, pain and chronic arthritis

Inverted teeth - due to abnormally shaped jaw

Tail chasing - compulsive disorder