



Buying a Labradoodle Puppy

These crossbreed puppies could be susceptible to the diseases relevant to both parent dogs

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 scheme for hip dysplasia (HD)
- BVA/KC scheme for elbow dysplasia (ED)
- BVA/KC screening for eye disease; full ophthalmological testing before breeding (includes checks for multiple inherited and appearance-related diseases)

DNA tests relevant to breed

- CNM - centronuclear myopathy
- PRA - progressive retinal atrophy
- HNPK - hypertrophic nasal parakeratosis
- EIC - exercise-induced collapse
- MCD - macular corneal dystrophy
- SD2 - skeletal dysplasia
- STGD - Stargardt's disease
- vWD - von Willebrand's disease

Although Labradoodles are not a KC registered breed, responsible breeders will still health test their dogs

www.uk-doodleclub.com/accreditation
www.dbrg.uk/guide-to-buying-a-puppy.html





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Brief explanations and other diseases that may be more common in the breed -
if in doubt ask your vet for guidance

Official Health Schemes

Hip dysplasia - HD - abnormal formation of the hip joint - pain & lameness

Elbow Dysplasia - ED - abnormalities of the elbow joint - pain & lameness

DNA tests relevant to breeds

CNM - centronuclear myopathy - muscular weakness and gradual paralysis

PRA - progressive retinal atrophy - gradual blindness

HNPk - hypertrophic nasal parakeratosis - cracked, dry nose

EIC - exercise-induced collapse - collapse after short exertion

MCD - macular corneal dystrophy - progressive visual defect

SD2 - skeletal dysplasia - shortened legs

STGD - Stargardt's disease - gradual blindness

vWD - von Willebrand's disease - blood clotting disorder

Other Diseases - no current health scheme or DNA test available

Addison's disease - hormonal disease, causes lethargy, collapse and other symptoms

Allergies

Bloat/GDV (gastric dilation and volvulus) - where the stomach inflates with air and twists, sometimes fatally)

Cancer - various types, including soft tissue tumours

Dental problems - misplaced teeth

Ear infections - more likely in dogs with long, hairy ears

Epilepsy

Osteoarthritis (sometimes related to HD and ED)

Sebaceous adenitis (SA) -skin disease causing inflammation and hair loss

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