Buying a Golden Retriever Puppy

What to expect from a Breeder who puts
Health, Welfare and Temperament First
and follows The Code of Practice for Dog Breeding

☑ Essential Documents

- Signed AWF Puppy Contract
- KC Registration Certificate (if applicable)
- Microchip Registration Certificate
- Temporary Pet Health Insurance
- Vaccination Certificates
- Worming History
- Copies of **ALL** Health Certificates
- **A good breeder will**
  provide a supply of food
  and blanket smelling of Mum

☑ Health Certificates
(Both Parents)

BVA/KC Health Schemes

- **Hip Dysplasia**
- **Elbow Dysplasia**
- **Eye Scheme** - annual testing
  - PRA RPED (formerly CPRA) , HC,
- **Eye Scheme** - MRD (litter screening)

DNA Test Certificates

- PRA prcd, GR_PRA1, GR_PRA2
- Duchenne muscular dystrophy
- Degenerative myelopathy
- Ichthyosis
- Dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa (DEB)
- Osteogenesis imperfecta
- Sensory ataxic neuropathy
- Neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis 5 (NCL5)
- Congenital myasthenes syndrome (CMS)

Breed Health and Conservation Plan (BHCP)
www.thegoldenretrieverclub.co.uk
Independent Information www.dogbreedhealth.com
www.dbrg.uk

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Brief Explanation and other Diseases

If in doubt ask your vet for guidance

Health Schemes - Testing Available

Hip Dysplasia Abnormal formation of the Hip - pain and lameness

Elbow Dysplasia Abnormalities of the Elbow joint - pain and lameness

Eye Disease - Various abnormalities - blindness and pain

- **PRA** Progressive retinal atrophy - can lead to blindness
- **RPED** Retinal Pigment epithelial dystrophy
- **HC** Hereditary Cataract
- **MRD** Multi-focal Retinal Dysplasia (MRD) leading to loss of sight

DNA Tests

PRA - Progressive retinal atrophy (PRA) eye disease can lead to blindness

Duchenne muscular dystrophy - muscle wasting disease affecting males only

Degenerative myelopathy - progressive muscle paralysis

Neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis 5 (NCL5) - degenerative disease of the nervous system

Congenital myasthenes syndrome (CMS) - progressive weakening of muscle

Ichthyosis - scaly skin

Dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa (DEB) - skin disease causing blistering

Osteogenesis imperfecta - brittle bone disease

Sensory ataxic neuropathy - neurological - wobbliness

Other Diseases no current scheme or DNA test

Atrophy - allergic skin disease

Cranial cruciate ligament rupture - rupture of the knee ligament

Idiopathic epilepsy - neurological

Heart disease - can be fatal

Cancer - various - common

Spectrin deficiency - a type of anaemia

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