

Buying a Hungarian Vizsla 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 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 diseases); to include gonioscopy

DNA tests relevant to breed

- EIC – exercise induced collapse
- NCCD – neonatal cerebellar cortical degeneration
- Researchers are currently developing tests for other rare inherited diseases in Vizslas

https://www.vizslahealth.net/kc-breed-health_conservation-plan/
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 then consult your vet for guidance

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Hip dysplasia - abnormal formation of the hip joint - pain and lameness

Elbow dysplasia - abnormal formation of the elbow joint - pain and lameness

The **BVA/KC eye testing scheme** checks for many inherited abnormalities that can cause progressive blindness or pain. Gonioscopy tests for primary glaucoma/PLA (pectinate ligament abnormality), a painful progressive eye disease leading to blindness

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EIC – exercise induced collapse

NCCD – neonatal cerebellar cortical degeneration – progressive balance loss in puppies

Other Diseases - no current health scheme or DNA test available

Allergies (various)

Autoimmune diseases (various)

Cancers (various)

Epilepsy

GDV - Gastro dilatation/volvulus ('bloat') - stomach fills with air and twists, can be fatal

VIP - Vizsla inflammatory polymyopathy – progressive difficulty in swallowing