



Buying a Weimaraner 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; DBRG recommends that all dogs should be visually examined by an ophthalmologist before breeding

DNA tests relevant to breed

- HUU -Hyperuricosuria/urolithiasis
- Genetic laboratories offer various tests for rare inherited diseases in Weimaraners

www.weimaranerclubofgreatbritain.org.uk
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

Official Health Schemes

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

DNA tests relevant to breed

HUU - Hyperuricosuria/urolithiasis – painful bladder stones

Other Diseases - no current health scheme or DNA test available

Cancer, particularly *mast cell tumours*

Heart disease, particularly DCM - dilated cardiomyopathy - *progressive weakness of the heart muscle*

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