

Buying a Toy Poodle 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)

BVA/KC Health Schemes (and other)

- **Putnam patella test** - patellar luxation (unofficial scheme)

DNA Tests available

- Chondrodysplasia (CDPA)
- Chondrodystrophy (CDDY and IVDD)
- Gangliosidosis GM2 (Poodle type)
- Osteochondrodysplasia
- Von Willebrands 1

Breed Health and Conservation Plan (BHCP)
www.poodlecouncil.com
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

Patellar luxation - abnormal joint in hind leg, pain and lameness

DNA Tests - available

Chondrodysplasia (CDPA) - affects the development of cartilage growth plates

Chondrodystrophy (CDDY and IVDD) - abnormal spinal discs leading to disc disease

Gangliosidosis GM2 (Poodle type) - enzyme deficiency, neurological symptoms

Osteochondrodysplasia - abnormal cartilage of ankle joint, pain and weakness

Von Willebrands 1 - blood clotting disorder

Other Diseases - no current health scheme or DNA test available

Diabetes Mellitus - failure to control blood sugar, thirst, urination, weight loss

Distichiasis - abnormal growth of eyelashes which rub the surface of the eyes

Hereditary cataract - gradual loss of sight

Hyperadrenocorticism (Cushings disease) - cancer of adrenal glands, pain and malaise

Problems due to extremely small body size - fragile bones, bones fractures, teeth problems