

Parent Club Health Testing Recommendations

-HIPS

Breeding stock has been x-rayed following the AVMA recommendations for positioning at 24 months of age and evaluated/certified by one of the following. In addition, if breeding stock is under the age of 2, preliminary testing is recommended prior to breeding.

- OFA (Orthopedic Foundation for Animals)
- PennHIP (University of Pennsylvania Hip Improvement Program)

-EYES

Breeding stock has had eyes checked for any hereditary defects by a boarded ACVO (American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists) or, if a foreign breeder, by the appropriate counterpart in his/her country. It is recommended that breeders complete this examination at least once every two years. Test results may be registered with the following:

- OFA (Orthopedic Foundation for Animals)

-PATELLAS

Patellar luxation has been checked by a licensed veterinarian on all breeding stock. Test results may be registered with OFA by using the OFA Evaluation Form.