



# AUSTRALASIAN BOSDOG<sup>®</sup> SOCIETY INC.

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## Health Policy

**This policy is for all dogs, male and female born after 31/10/2007 who are to be used for breeding purposes.**

Dogs suffering from or who have suffered from the following conditions ARE NOT to be used for breeding purposes:

Heart Murmur

Hip Dysplasia

Elbow Dysplasia

Luxating Patellas

Genetic Spinal Deformities

Diabetes

Epilepsy

Deafness

Severe Elongated Soft Palate

Monorchidism (1 descended Testicle)

It is RECOMMENDED that dogs suffering from or who have ever suffered from the following conditions should not be used for breeding purposes:

Severe Entropion (Rolled in Eyelids)

Severe Trichiasis (Ingrown Eyelashes)

Cherry Eye in both eyes

Extreme Narrow Nostrils

Generalised Demodectic Mange

Severe Allergies

Dogs suffering from or who have ever suffered from two or more of the above mentioned conditions ARE NOT to be used for breeding purposes.

If two or more pups from any litter or pups from consecutive litters suffer from any of the above mentioned conditions, the mating of that sire and dam is not to be repeated.

It is recommended that if a male and female both have blue eyes that they should not be mated together.

### Hearts

Dogs who have ever suffered from a heart murmur ARE NOT to be used for breeding purposes.

If a pairing produces pups with heart murmurs, that mating should not be repeated.

If a dam produces pups with heart murmurs from consecutive litters she is not to be used for future breeding.

If a sire produces pups with heart murmurs in litters with more than one dam where the dam has produced healthy pups when mated to other sires, he is not to be used for future breeding.



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## Hips and Elbows

All male dogs born after 31/10/07 who are to be used for breeding purposes within the ABS are to be Hip and Elbow scored prior to breeding.

All female dogs born after 31/10/07 having produced less than two litters prior to 1/11/11 who are to be used for breeding purposes within the ABS are to be Hip and Elbow scored prior to breeding.

Dogs being hip and elbow scored must be over 12 months of age.

## Hips

It is advised that any dog male or female who has a total hip score above 25 or where either hip has a score above 13 does have a degree of hip dysplasia. A dog who has hip scores higher than the above mentioned scores should be mated to a dog equal to or below the above mentioned scores.

Any litter produced from dogs where EITHER the sire or dam has a total hip score above 40 or where a single hip has a score above 25 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs with a combined hip score of both parents above 60 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

## Furthermore For Dogs Born After 31/10/13

Any litter produced from dogs born after 31/10/13 where EITHER the sire or dam has a total hip score above 35 or where a single hip has a score above 20 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs born after 31/10/13 with a combined hip score of both parents above 55 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs where one is born prior to 31/10/13 and the other parent born after 31/10/13 with a combined hip score of both parents above 55 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates

Furthermore For Dogs Born After 31/10/15 Any litter produced from dogs born after 31/10/15 where EITHER the sire or dam has a total hip score above 30 or where a single hip has a score above 18 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates. Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs born after 31/10/15 with a combined hip score of both parents above 50 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates. Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs where one is born prior to 31/10/15 and the other parent born after 31/10/15 with a combined hip score of both parents above 55 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.



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## Elbows

It is advised that any dog with elbow scores above 0:0 has a degree of elbow dysplasia.

Any litter produced from dogs where EITHER the sire or dam has elbow scores above 2:2 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs with a combined elbow score of both parents above 3:3 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Furthermore For Dogs Born After 31/10/13

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs born after 31/10/13 with a combined elbow score of both parents above 2-2 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs where one is born prior to 31/10/13 and the other parent born after 31/10/13 with a combined elbow score of both parents above 2-2 will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

Hip and elbow x rays should be sent to either Dr Mariano Makara Email: [hipscoring.makara@gmail.com](mailto:hipscoring.makara@gmail.com) or Dr Jenny Richardson Email: [Jen.Richardson@inet.net.au](mailto:Jen.Richardson@inet.net.au). Forms for this can be downloaded from the ABS Website here: <https://www.australasianbosdogsociety.com/the-abs-inc>

Reports of hip and elbow scores are to be sent to the ABS Registrar to be retained for ABS records. The email for the ABS Registrar is [absregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:absregistrar@gmail.com)

## DNA Testing

For all breeding dogs whelped AFTER 31/10/2017, all dogs born after 31/10/17 who are to be used for breeding purposes within the ABS are to be DNA tested for the following hereditary diseases prior to breeding:

DNA profile	Canine Hyperuricosuria
Canine Multifocal Retinopathy CMR1	Degenerative Myelopathy
Ivermectin Sensitivity MDR1 (Multi Drug Resistance)	

Any dogs where results come back as affected by these diseases may NOT be used for breeding.

Any dogs where results come back as carriers of these diseases may only be mated to dogs where results come back as clear. This includes MDR1 with ONE positive gene, not two.

Any litter produced from a pairing of two dogs born after 31/10/17 where both parents are either affected or carriers will be issued with PET ONLY ABS registration certificates.

*\* The diseases listed are not specific to Australasian Bosdogs but are found in all breeds of dogs, and the ABS Inc is falling into line with ANKC recommendations for all breeds of dogs.*

*\* Please contact the Registrar or speak with your Breeder about the Orivet discount word for ABS Members.*