



Parent Club Health Statement

The Miniature American Shepherd Club of The U.S.A.

The Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA is committed to the continued health of Miniature American Shepherds. Therefore, we use a Parent Club Board of Directors Approved (5/8/24) guideline for necessary testing and we strongly urge breeders to also test for the optional items. These tests are important so that we can help protect the future of the breed and give them the best chance for a healthy, long life. When searching Miniature American Shepherd Breeders, be sure to get documentation that the parents have been tested for the following:

Required Testing:

Hip Dysplasia: OFA Radiographic Hip Evaluation, PennHIP Evaluation, FCI evaluation

Annual Eye Exam: ACVO Eye examination

Progressive Retinal Atrophy (PRA-PRCD): DNA Test from approved laboratory

Multiple Drug Sensitivity: DNA Test from approved laboratory

HSF4 – Hereditary Cataracts (Australian Shepherd Type): DNA Test from approved laboratory

NAD – Neuroaxonal Dystrophy (Miniature American Shepherd Type): DNA Test from approved laboratory

Optional but recommended:

Elbow Dysplasia: OFA Radiographic Elbow Evaluation

Patellar Luxation: OFA Evaluation

Dentition: OFA Evaluation

CEA - Collie Eye Anomaly: DNA Test from approved laboratory

DM - Degenerative Myelopathy (Common Variant): DNA Test from approved laboratory

CDDY - Chondrodystrophy: DNA Test from approved laboratory

CDPA - Chondrodysplasia: DNA Test from approved laboratory

HUU - Hyperuricosuria: DNA Test from approved laboratory

CMR1 – Multifocal Retinopathy 1: DNA Test from approved laboratory

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