

## **Information for your HD/ED/OCD X-ray appointment at our practice**

What do I need to bring with me?

- Pedigree (original)
- If the pedigree is only available electronically, we require a printout
- Findings forms from the breeding association
- The official owner of the animal must be listed on the papers/forms

***Without these documents, no official breeding X-ray can take place!***

You can request findings forms and breeding guidelines from your breeding association

What else do I need to know?

- The dog must be fasting for the appointment, as a short anesthesia is necessary for the examination. Water may be given until the appointment.
- We only X-ray your dog; you will only receive a meaningful assessment of the X-ray findings relevant to breeding from the expert.
- If blood is to be taken at the same time for genetic testing, we need the stud book number and the names of the parents.
- We also need to know which profile is to be examined at which laboratory.

These examinations are carried out to ensure that as few diseases as possible are passed on in breeding. The scope of the images depends on the breed.

- o HD (hip dysplasia = malformation of the hip joint)
- o ED (elbow dysplasia = hereditary joint disease in the elbow joint)
- o OCD (osteochondrosis dissecans = diseases of the musculoskeletal system, developmental disorder of joint cartilage and underlying bones)
- o Lumbar transitional vertebrae (wedge vertebra = malformation of the lumbar spine to the sacrum)

Please note the minimum age required for your breed. This is usually 12 months.

We will take care of the digital and postal transmission of the X-ray images and evaluation forms to your expert.

After the examination, the dog can leave the practice on its own.