

The TTCA Breeder Referral process is being phased out and will be replaced from March 1, 2024 with Accredited Breeders, which will be part of the Breeder Support Program. In the meantime, we will be posting two lists one for Accredited Breeders and also the old Breeder Referral List.

TTCA maintains a breeder referral system which not only is of help to breeders looking to place puppies but, more importantly, to help folks looking for puppies to find reliable and responsible breeders who are members of the parent club. In order to assure potential buyers that the breeders who have chosen to be listed on the TTCA Breeder Referral List are in compliance with the Breeder Referral health guidelines, we ask those breeders on the list to provide, on an annual basis, verification of their compliance with the minimum basic health criteria of hip and eye clearances on the sires and dams of their litters. Please note that for litters born in 2014 and after, we will ask breeders to report NCL and PLL test result listings on OFA's website for sires and dams (or "clear by parentage" as per OFA and their results listed on OFA's website.). Any TTCA member who wishes to remain on or be added to the TTCA Breeder Referral List, will be required to be a TTCA member in good standing for the preceding 2 (two) years and will need to submit the following on an annual basis beginning with litters born after September 1, 2005: A signed and dated copy or electronically generated copy of the Breeder Referral Guidelines.

From February 28, 2023 the annual fee for being on the Breeder Referral List was discontinued and no charge will be made in the future.

Applications for Breeder Referral 2023 are as follows:

1. A list of all litters of which they are listed as breeder OR co-breeder which were whelped in 2022 including:
 - a. Date of each litter whelped
 - b. Registered name of Sire and Dam
 - c. AKC registration numbers of Sire and Dam
 - d. OFA hip clearances of Sire and Dam done after the age of two, or a PennHIP clearance examined after the age of one, and with a 60th percentile DI (distraction index) of 0.45 or better
 - e. CERF clearances of the Sire and Dam within the previous 12 months submitted to the CERF registry.

- f. Sire and Dam's DNA test result listings on OFA's website for NCL and PLL (or “clear by parentage” as per OFA and their results listed on OFA’s website.)

If a breeder had or has a litter with a sire and/or dam that did not meet the health clearance requirements above (i.e., special circumstances), the age requirements (no dog or bitch will be bred before the age of two), or a breeder utilized a foreign sire and/or dam with foreign health registry clearances, then the breeder may submit a letter to the Breeder Referral Committee requesting an exemption for that particular breeding. Foreign health clearances must still meet or exceed the requirements applied by CERF, OFA or PennHIP. The Breeder Referral Committee will have the flexibility to allow a breeder to remain on the Breeder Referral List if they feel the exception is warranted. If the breeder does not agree with the decision of the Breeder Referral Committee, they may request their exception be presented to, and reviewed by, the TTCA Board of Directors.

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