



Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of Great Britain Guidelines to Buying a Rhodesian Ridgeback Puppy

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Buying A Rhodesian Ridgeback Puppy

Research

Research your needs before committing yourself, make sure that a Rhodesian Ridgeback is compatible to your lifestyle. Learn as much as you can about the breed. Contact breed clubs as they provide up-to-date contact information on breeders.

Code of Ethics

Buy from a breeder adhering to the club's Code of Ethics and who also adheres to the Club's Breeding Guidelines.

Question your prospective breeder. Any responsible



breeder should be open to your questions and they should have plenty of questions for you.

Dermoid Sinus Checks

Make sure that your puppy has been competently and regularly checked for Dermoid Sinus. Check that the parents of your puppy have been hip scored.



Insist on seeing the pup with its siblings, also the mother to allow you to gauge the temperament and general health of all concerned.

Certificates & Insurance

Insist that any paperwork such as Kennel Club Registration papers, pedigree, vaccination certificate (where appropriate), diet sheet, advice on exercise, worming, are ready to be picked up at the same time as the puppy. The breeder should issue an insurance certificate which will cover the puppy for its first six weeks with you.

Contracts

Discuss any terms of sale or contracts that will be in place, including breeding and export restrictions that can be put in place by the breeder with the Kennel Club, before or at the time of sale, you must give a signed acknowledgement of any endorsements placed.

Ensure you have everything you need before picking up your puppy, e.g. crate, bed and food.



The breeder should not let the puppy go until it is at least seven weeks old.