



## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF RADIOGRAPHS FOR SV HIP, ELBOW, LÜW, AND OC (D) EVALUATIONS

### Evaluation Requirements:

1. Dog must be a German Shepherd Dog
2. Dog must be at least 12 months of age on the day the radiograph is taken
3. Dog must be sedated at time of any pelvis x-ray
4. Dogs born in the USA must submit the following:
  - a. Original AKC Registration Certificate
  - b. Original 4-generation AKC Certified Pedigree with tattoo or microchip imprinted on it, or certified by GSDCA-WDA or USCA.
  - c. **If the AKC pedigree does not include the dog's microchip number imprinted on it, or if it has not been tattoo or microchip certified by GSDCA-WDA or USCA:**
    - 1) **Enclose completed and signed Veterinarian Verification of Tattoo/Microchip form and \$25 if WDA member, or \$35 if a non-member.** (The form is available from the GSDCA-WDA Office or online at [www.gsdca-wda.org](http://www.gsdca-wda.org).)
5. Foreign born dogs submit the following:
  - a. Original pedigree papers from FCI recognized country of birth.
  - b. Original registration papers from country of birth with all ownership transfers completed. Tattoo or microchip must be indicated on original document. If tattoo or microchip is not imprinted on original papers, it must be certified by GSDCA-WDA Office [see 4.c.1) above].

FEES: WE ACCEPT CHECK or MONEY ORDER (made payable to GSDCA-WDA). Call the office for credit card payment.

Hip Evaluation: \$95, WDA Members (\$115 non-members)

Elbow Evaluation: \$85, WDA Members (\$105 non-members)

LÜW Evaluation: \$50, WDA Members (\$70 non-members)

OC (D) Evaluation: \$60 WDA Members (\$80 non-members)

Hip and Elbow Evaluations (if submitted together): \$160 WDA Members (\$200 non-members)

Hip and LÜW Evaluations (if submitted together): \$110 WDA Members (\$150 non-members)

Hip, Elbow and LÜW Evaluations (if submitted together): \$190 WDA Members (\$230 non-members)

SUBMIT RADIOGRAPHS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION via

Traceable USPS Mail to:

GSDCA-WDA

P.O. Box 5021

Woodland Hills, CA 91365

747-900-6805 (Telephone) 626-608-5723 (Fax) [GSDCA.WDA@gmail.com](mailto:GSDCA.WDA@gmail.com)

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- Radiographs (original x-rays)
- All copies of the completed SV hip, elbow, and/or OC (D) evaluation forms
- Original registration/pedigree document(s) with tattoo or microchip imprinted on it [see 4.c.1) above]
- Evaluation fee(s)

## RADIOGRAPH REQUIREMENTS

1. HIPS (The dog must be sedated at time of x-ray)  
Radiographs must be clear in the ventrodorsal position with the rear legs extended and parallel to each other, with the knee joints visible. The pelvis should not be tilted. Film size of 14" x 17" is recommended with the Left or Right indicated, it and must contain an imbedded ID plate with all the required information (see numbers 5 and 6 below).
2. ELBOWS
  - a. X-rays must be of good technical quality (detail, contrast) and must allow a detailed analysis of the bone structure.
  - b. Two elbow radiographs may share one 14" x 17" x-ray.
  - c. Both elbows must be submitted.
  - d. There must be AT LEAST one side (medial) view of each elbow joint. The angle between the humerus and ulna/radius must not exceed 45 degrees.
3. LÜW Evaluation (Lumbar-Sacral Transitional Vertebrae)  
The same pelvis x-ray for a Hip evaluation may be used for this radiograph. However, a separate radiograph must be submitted with the imbedded ID plate containing all the required information (see numbers 5 and 6 below). The total pelvis including the L7 must be displayed on the image, and the dog must be sedated at time of x-ray.
4. OC (D) Evaluation (Osteochondrotis Dissecans)  
An additional radiograph must be made with the imbedded ID plate containing all the required information (see numbers 5 and 6 below). The image has to demonstrate the region from L 4/5 to the first coccygeal vertebrae on a latero-lateral view. The lumbar sacral conjunction has to be in the central beam, no axial rotation of vertebral column and pelvis, and the technical quality (detail, contrast) must allow a detailed analysis of the bone structure.
5. The ID PLATE of the radiograph must be a part of the x-ray. Affixed labels and handwritten information will not be accepted by the SV.
6. ID PLATE must contain the following information:
  - a. Registered name of the dog EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS ON THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS.
  - b. Registration number. If born in the USA, AKC registration number; if foreign born, FCI recognized kennel club registration number.
  - c. Tattoo or Microchip number.
  - d. Dog's date of birth.
  - e. Date radiograph was taken.
  - f. Name of owner.
  - g. Veterinarian's name, business address, and phone number.

**Please Note:**

The SV will not accept digital radiographs. For conversion to film you may contact

XRAYEXPRESS.NET

1244 Karla Dr., Suite 210

Hurst TX 76053-4437

817-545-5220 (phone) – 817-545-6050 (fax)

[info@xrayexpress.net](mailto:info@xrayexpress.net) - [www.xrayexpress.net](http://www.xrayexpress.net)