



## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF RADIOGRAPHS FOR SV HIP AND ELBOW EVALUATION

### 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 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 certified by GSDCA-WDA or USCA. Three generation, tattoo certified pedigrees will only be accepted for dogs born prior to January 1, 2005.
  - c. **If the AKC pedigree does not include the dog's microchip number, 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 on original papers, it must be certified by the GSDCA-WDA Office, see 4.c.1) above.

**FEES: WE ACCEPT CHECK or MONEY ORDER (made payable to GSDCA-WDA), VISA and MASTER CARD**

- Hip Evaluation.....\$85
- Elbow Evaluation.....\$75
- Hip and Elbow (if submitted together).....\$150
- Non-WDA members add an additional \$40 Hips and Elbows; \$20 Hips or Elbows only

SUBMIT RADIOGRAPHS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION via  
USPS Express Mail to:  
GSDCA-WDA Office  
PO Box 5021  
Woodland Hills, CA 91365  
**(Please call office for physical address for FedEx, UPS or DHL use.)**

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- Radiographs (original x-rays)
- All copies of the completed hip and/or elbow evaluation forms
- Original registration/pedigree document(s) with tattoo or microchip certification
- Evaluation fee(s)

**RADIOGRAPH REQUIREMENTS**  
(Dogs must be at least 12 months of age)

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"x17" is recommended with the Left or Right indicated.

2. ELBOWS

- a. X-rays must be of good technical quality (not too light, not too dark). Two elbow radiographs can share one x-ray of 14"x17".
- b. Both elbows must be submitted.
- c. 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. RADIOGRAPHS MUST BE CURRENT – Within 6 months of submission

4. 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.

5. 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 and business address.

**Please Note:**

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

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