The Irish Wolfhound Club of America Board of Directors has approved the following recommended testing as outlined on our website: https://www.iwclubofamerica.org/healthtesting

Testing for parents:
1. Evaluation for hip and elbow dysplasia, by either OFA or PennHip
2. Examination by a board certified cardiologist for congenital heart disease; exam to include echocardiogram, auscultation and electrocardiogram (EKG)
3. EKG and auscultation for inherited developmental heart disease within the year prior to breeding. (Echocardiogram recommended)
4. Eye evaluation by a board certified ophthalmologist within the year prior to breeding.

Testing for individual puppies (8 weeks or older):
1. Bile acid testing for portal systemic shunt.
2. Cardiac auscultation and health examination

It is also recommended that potential buyers visit the IWCA website for a description and explanation of testing and the meaning of results.

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