



The Norfolk Terrier Club



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The Norfolk Terrier Club Board of Directors strongly encourages all Norfolk Terrier Breeders and owners have screening tests performed to determine their dog(s) status in regard to the following potentially inherited conditions: inherited eye disease, mitral valve heart disease, patella luxation, and hip dysplasia.

The Norfolk Terrier Club recommends that all Norfolk Terriers be registered with the Canine Health Information Center (Chic) as follows:

- OFA evaluation by board certified cardiologist, exam must include color flow doppler ultrasound.
- Eye Examination by a board certified ACVO Ophthalmologist. The results are then registered with OFA or CERF.
- Patellar Luxation performed by qualified veterinarians and registered through the OFA evaluation process.
- Hip Dysplasia (also optional) performed by a qualified veterinarian and registered through the OFA process. This testing is optional for Chic qualifications and also optional from the Norfolk Terrier Club Board.
- Ichthyosis is also an optional DNA test. Results are registered through the OFA process.

All Chic specific testing can be found on the Canine Health Information Center web site: <http://www.caninehealthinfo.org> where Breed Specific tests are listed.

The Norfolk Terrier Club also requires all Stud Dogs listed on their web site have at a minimum started the Chic testing process in order to be listed on the NTC Web site (www.norfolkterrierclub.org) Stud Listing.

As the Norfolk Terrier breed is small in numbers with a small number of litter registrations each year, it is the Norfolk Terrier Club's position that all Norfolk Terriers be permanently identified via microchip or tattoo in the event a Norfolk becomes lost, in addition, in order to qualify for a CHIC number, Norfolk Terriers must be microchipped or tattooed.

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