

THE SALUKI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC



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The Saluki Club of America's Officers and Board of Directors approves the following Health Statement for our breed.

Salukis are an athletic, healthy breed and, as such, are not generally known to have breed-specific, genetic health issues. As a best practice, we recommend that:

- Beginning with your Saluki puppy's first visit to your regular veterinarian, it should have a thorough examination, followed by annual adult, and senior wellness, examinations. If there is reason to believe there may be a cardiac irregularity, your veterinarian will most likely recommend more advanced testing.
- In order to produce a healthy litter of puppies, prior to breeding, further health testing, and brucellosis screening of the sire and dam, should be investigated with your veterinarian. For further assurance of heart health in breeding adults, a board certified cardiologist may perform examinations for heart normalcy.
- Some Salukis may run lower thyroid values than other dogs, so if your vet suspects that a thyroid condition exists, he/she may wish to consult with a veterinary group or teaching hospital/institution familiar with sight hound/Saluki thyroid norms. Please refer to the SCOA web site for further information.
- If finances pose a problem for health exams, often public events such as all-breed dog shows or breed specialties will offer reduced cost, basic clinics where various health screenings may be available.

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