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Hip & Elbow X-rays

Radiographs must be taken in the correct positioning as seen in the Canine Hip & Elbow Dysplasia Scheme (Correct HD & ED scheme positioning - same as the BVA/OFA method).

The Veterinarian is to scan dog for their microchip, with this number recorded on the grading form and all x-rays. The onus is on the Veterinarian to ensure that the animals comply with the requirements of the LWCA outlined here. Failure to meet these requirements will mean that the dog will be required to be re-x-rayed. No attached labels will be accepted as means of positive identification.

The Veterinarian who took the x-ray, must email Monash Veterinary Clinic mvc@monashvet.com.au the following:

- 1. Completed MVC Hip & Elbow Report Form Click here to download grading form (Vet to send to Monash Vet Clinic in PDF Format)
- 2. Digital record of the x-rays of the dog's hips and elbows in the **correct positioning (see images below)**, including positive ID (microchip no) and date on all x-rays (attached labels not accepted).

Email subject: Attention: Dr Ray Ferguson BVSc – Lykos hip & elbow grading

Poor positioning of radiographs cannot be accepted. For further reading please refer to these articles, here and here.

The dog is put under a general anaesthetic so the hips and be extended into the correct position. It is important to take the dog to a vet who has been trained in radiographing dogs in the correct method, so they get the positioning correct. If the Veterinarian is in any doubt about the positioning or quality of their x-rays, they can call and email Monash Vet and send them the digital radiographs to get one of their in house radiologists to check. If it's not adequate, the Veterinarian can re-do the radiographs while the dog is still under general anaesthetic.

The owner is to contact Monash Veterinary Clinic (03) 9544 7455, to make payment (\$90) for the grading before any scoring is completed.

Monash Vet email: mvc@monashvet.com.au

Dr Ferguson will email results to the owner. This email can then be forwarded directly to the Lykos Wolfalike Council of Australia admin@lykoswolfdogs.com

Note: Some Veterinarians may wish to sight the dog's Certificate of Registration & Pedigree when completing the MCV Hip and Elbow Report Form, but this is optional. The most important thing is that the identification matches (i.e. microchip) on all films and forms.





Elbows (correct positioning)



