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If you do not receive copies of an OFA report or OFA Evaluation Certificates from the breeder of your puppy, ask for them. Some Bernese Mountain Dogs are affected with hip and or elbow dysplasia. Hip and elbow dysplasia can affect a Berner's mobility and quality of life. The BMDCSEW recommends all dogs used for breeding be evaluated for the presence of hip & elbow dysplasia prior to the dog being used for breeding.

This section tells you about the Hip status of the dog.

A check mark in this area means the dog has been evaluated as free from degenerative joint disease so the dog IS NOT AFFECTED by hip dysplasia.

The rating is checked as *excellent, good or fair*.

An explanation of the kind of joint problem is identified in these areas

A check mark in this area means that the dog is NOT free from degenerative joint disease so the dog IS AFFECTED with hip dysplasia.

Left and right hip and elbow joints are evaluated for evidence of degenerative joint changes. Evidence of degenerative joint changes can occur on both sides or on only one side. Bilateral hip or elbow dysplasia means both right and left side are affected. Unilateral hip or elbow dysplasia means only the right or the left side are affected.

This section tells you about the elbow status of the dog.

A check mark in this area means the dog has been evaluated as free from degenerative joint disease so the dog IS NOT AFFECTED by elbow dysplasia.

An explanation of the kind of joint problem is identified in these areas

A check mark in this area means that the dog is NOT free from degenerative joint disease so the dog IS AFFECTED with elbow dysplasia.

OFA EVALUATION OF BREEDING STOCK IS IMPORTANT!!!

ELBOW EVALUATION SHOULD SAY - 'NORMAL'. HIP EVALUATION SHOULD SAY - 'EXCELLENT', 'GOOD' OR 'FAIR'

These are Hip and Elbow OFA EVALUATION CERTIFICATES