



The Japanese Spitz Club

Patella Subluxation testing form for Japanese Spitz

(Over 18 months)

TO BE COMPLETED BY OWNER

REGISTERED NAME OF DOG.....

KC REG No..... Microchip No

SEX.....D.O.B.....

KC REGISTRATION No.....

SIRE.....

DAM.....

OWNER[s] NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

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..... POSTCODE.....

I AGREE THAT THE RESULT MAY BE PUBLISHED FOR JS INFORMATION (YES/NO)

VETERINARY SURGEONS DECLARATION

I can confirm that I have checked the microchip number of the dog and that the information above with the Kennel Club Registration Document. At the time of examination, I was unable to detect any evidence of surgical interference/intervention in either stifle. The Japanese Spitz is over 18 months of age. Neutered (Yes/No)

SCORE: LEFT.....(Range 0-4) RIGHT.....(Range 0-4)

NAME.....ADDRESS/STAMP.....

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SIGNATURE.....DATE.....

Please send completed form to Secretary Mrs Anne Kirton, 25 Arnett Avenue, Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berks, RG40 4EG (japspitz1@gmail.com)

PUTMAN (1968) SCORING SYSTEM

- GRADE 0** NORMAL
- GRADE 1** THE PATELLA LUXATES MANUALLY BUT SPONTANEOUSLY RETURNS TO THE TROCHLEA WHEN RELEASED
- GRADE 2** THE PATELLA LUXATES SPONTANEOUSLY OR ON MANIPULATION AND REMAINS LUXATED AT A CERTAIN ANGLE OF THE STIFLE JOINT IT IS EITHER SPONTANEOUSLY REDUCED ON ACTIVE FLEXION OR CAN MANUALLY BE REDUCED BY EXAMINER
- GRADE 3** THE PATELLA REMAINS LUXATED MOST/ALL OF THE TIME BUT CAN BE MANUALLY REDUCED. HOWEVER, RELAXATION OCCURS SPONTANEOUSLY.
- GRADE 4** THE PATELLA IS PERMANENTLY LUXATED AND CANNOT BE MANUALLY REPOSITIONED

NB: Grade 1 & 2 are considered as intermittent PL; whilst Grade 3 & 4 are considered as permanent PL.

NOTES

- Grade 1** This will cause an intermittent skipping style of lameness of variable frequency but generally of short duration
- Grade 2** The patella tends to lock-out for longer periods with the result that the patient carries the limb with the knee generally flexed for longer periods
- Grade 3** As the patella does not sit within the groove at all then the patients often present with a crouched stance if both knees are affected or may carry the limb if just one knee is affected.
- Grade 4** This grade is a more severe presentation of Grade 3 where the knee is more deformed with bending and twisting of the thigh bone and shin bone

As with all medical conditions correct weight management will aid your dog