

ALA Provisional Breeder Competency checklist

Core Competencies – must demonstrate competence to be considered for full accreditation				
	Mentor Assessment	Y/N	Comment	
1	Is capable of selecting breeding quality adults with consideration of breed standard			
2	Is capable of selecting breeding quality puppies with consideration of breed standard			
3	Can differentiate coat types – puppy and adult			
4	Understands and can explain ALA health testing requirements and rationale			
5	Understands and can explain breeding strategies to prevent inheritance of PRA and to reduce the risk of dysplasia in progeny			
6	Has Registered at least one breeding dog/bitch with the ALA and submitted necessary documentation to the ALA Registrar			
7	Ability to select appropriate stud/bitch breeding pairs with consideration of pedigree, health testing results and minor faults			
8	Has submitted Puppy Care Notes to the ALA			
9	Has submitted documentation for Pet / Companion (desexed) puppy Health Guarantee to ALA			
10	Has whelped at least one litter and raised pups to 8 weeks			
11	Has managed transfer of pups to new homes and provided appropriate support to new families (till pups are 12 wks)			
12	Has registered at least one litter with the ALA			
Self + Mentor Assessment – reasonable knowledge and/or skills		Self	Mentor	Comment
13	Mentee understands the breed standard			
14	Mentee understands importance of assessing health, and temperament of puppies and adults			
15	Mentee is familiar with/ has read the ALA information regarding breed history			
16	Mentee understands the need to ensure appropriate nutrition to promote good health in pregnancy weaning and for normal puppy growth and development.			
17	Mentee can competently groom all coat types and provide advice to clients			
18	Mentee can give appropriate advice or knows where to source advice regarding behavioural management			
19	Mentee is familiar with the Code of Ethics and ALA Rules			
I /We consider this provisional breeder has completed the ALA Breeder Mentoring Program to a reasonable level of knowledge and skill in all core competencies and the majority of self assessed criterion.				
Provisional Breeder:		Length of program: _____ months		
Mentor:		Date:		
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