

# The British Gordon Setter Club

## Puppy Buyers Guide

**When looking to add a Gordon Setter to your family please think about where you buy and look to purchase from a reputable breeder.**

- No deposit should be taken prior to puppy visit or prior to puppies being born.
- A breeder shall only breed from those Gordons that have been hip scored. Both parents tested for PRA(rcd4) (or genetically clear) and at least one parent is a 'clear' in the mating. *Evidence of Health Tests to be provided to buyer.*
- The dam should be at least 21 months when bred from and not have had a litter in the previous 12 months or be over 8 years old.
- Breeder not to have had more than 2 litters in previous 12 months/ calendar year - unless licensed - anyone breeding more than 3 (5 in Scotland) or more per year must be licensed.
- Puppies should be seen with the Dam.
- Puppies should not leave the breeder before the age of 8 weeks, come with a contract document, initial free insurance cover, microchipped and with puppy care guidelines.
- Breeders will provide Kennel Club registration documents along with a copy of pedigree.
- Breeders must sell puppies for a fair price, reflective of pedigree and quality, (2021 for guidance £1350 to £1950) - you should not expect to pay a higher price for any reason e.g. colour.
- All reputable Breeders offer reasonable lifetime support to their puppy owners.

**Any Breeder displaying the BGSC Puppy Buyers Guide is proud to uphold these principles.**



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