



**THE KENNEL CLUB
DOG HEALTH**

Norwegian Buhund

Pedigree Breed Health Survey

Forms were received representing 21 living dogs & 5 deceased dogs.

Mortality results

A total of 5 deaths were reported, representing 0.09% of all deaths reported in the Pedigree Breed Health survey. The range of longevity for Norwegian Buhund was 5 years to 18 years. Table 1 shows the causes of death for the breed.

Table 1 The most common causes of death/reasons for euthanasia (N = 5 deceased dogs).

Cause of death
Autoimmune condition - unspecified
Inflammatory Bowel disease
Kidney Failure
Old Age
Pancreatitis

Morbidity results

The 21 live Norwegian Buhunds represented 0.05% of total dogs in the survey. The median age of live dogs for the breed was 5 years (Table 2). Of the 21 Norwegian Buhunds which the survey covers, 18 had reported no conditions and 3 reported affected by at least one condition (min = 1 condition(s), max = 1 conditions), giving a total of 3 incidents of conditions.

The gender, neuter status and age of neutering summary statistics for Norwegian Buhunds are shown in Table 3. There were 14 dogs with responses for Body Condition displayed in Table 4.

The median age the dogs were first affected by a condition was 12 years (min = 6 years, max= 12 years). Table 5 shows the reported disease conditions for the Norwegian Buhund.

Table 2: The summary statistics for the dogs' current age when survey was completed

Number of Dogs	Mean age (years)	Median age (years)	Min age (years)	Max age (years)
21	6	5	1	14

Table 3: Gender, neuter status and age summary statistics for dogs where gender and neuter status was reported

Sex	Neuter status	Age known	Count	Mean age neutered (years)	Median age neutered (years)	Min age neutered (years)	Max age neutered (years)
Female	Neutered	Yes	8	3.00	2	0	10
Female	Not neutered	No	2	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Neutered	Yes	3	3.00	3	1	5
Male	Neutered	No	1	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Not neutered	No	7	NA	NA	NA	NA

Table 4: The body condition comment and the age of the dog when this comment was made

Body condition	Count	Mean age (years)	Median age (years)	Min age (years)	Max age (years)
No comment was made by vet	1	14.00	14	14	14
Normal	12	5.00	5	0	10
Somewhat overweight	1	5.00	5	5	5

Table 5: The most commonly reported disease conditions in descending order for the breed (N = 22 live dogs)

Condition
Chronic (long-term) kidney failure
Heart (cardiac) murmur
Lipoma

Summary

From the dogs surveyed, most Norwegian Buhunds were not affected by a disease condition (85.71%). There were only three reported disease conditions that represented an equal proportion of affected live dogs; these conditions were chronic (long-term) kidney failure, heart (cardiac) murmur, and lipoma. There were only five reported causes of death that represented an equal proportion of the deaths; these causes were autoimmune conditions (unspecified), inflammatory bowel disease, kidney failure, old age, and pancreatitis.