THE COMPANION ANIMAL EYE REGISTRY

Previously known as the Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF), the Companion Animal Eye Registry (CAER) information is found on the OFA public data base.

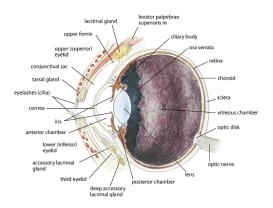
The purpose of the OFA EYE Certification registry is to provide breeders with the information regarding canine eye diseases so that they may make informed breeding decisions in an effort to produce healthier dogs.

These ocular exams are performed by board certified veterinary ophthalmologist. Drops are administered to the dog's eye to dilate the pupil.



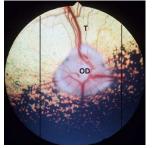
This allows for a complete view inside the globe of the eye.

A thorough exam of the internal and external areas of the eye including the globe, eyelids, nictitans, cornea, uvea, lens, vitreous, and fundus is performed.

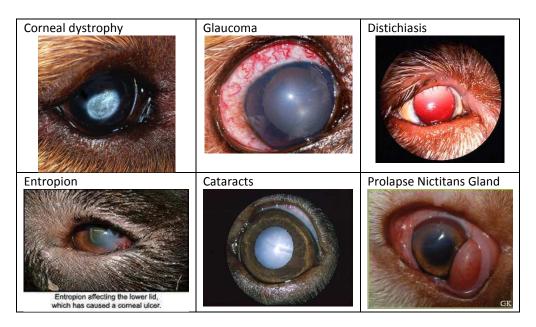




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A few of the conditions the ophthalmologist can note are:



A certificate will be completed by the ophthalmologist and supplied to the owner/breeder. The owner/breeder will submit this form to OFA'spublic data base.

Ocular exams can be done as early as 8 weeks of age since the eyes are essentially fully formed by this time. Recommendation by ophthalmologists are annual certification or at <u>very minimum</u> re-testing before being bred.

