

## German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia

We are the governing body of the German Shepherd Dog in Australia, affiliated with Dogs Australia and World Union of German Shepherd Dog Clubs (WUSV). Mission: to ensure the betterment and welfare of the GSD.

We offer information on all facets of the German Shepherd Dog for owners, members and the general public who may own or are interested in the German Shepherd Dog breed.

The German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia was founded on the 13th April 1960. It comprises all the German Shepherd Dog clubs and associations in the states and territories of Australia.



### GSDCA Dog Database

#### For Members

Our Dog Database records dog identification details, Hip & Elbow results, Breed Survey and ZAP Assessment Results.



### Breed Health & Welfare Profile Form

#### Submit Dog's Health Profile

This is a scheme for betterment of the German Shepherd Dog breed, to monitor any disorders that may affect breed development.



### Events Calendar

#### Whats on?

View major events, when and where.



### News & Notices

#### The Latest

Keep up with the latest news releases about GSDCA happenings.



### X-Ray Centre

#### Get a Contract or Submit x-rays

For everything related to your dog's hip and elbow x-rays.

### GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme Stats

**12,785**

\*Ray Results in the Database

**2,373**

Breed Surveys in our Database

**137**

Animals Breed Surveyed in 2023

**90**

Animals completed ZAP

**8.39**

GSDCA Hip Score 5 year Rolling Ave

# GSDCA Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Breed Improvement Scheme Online Processing Manual

## Need help?

For all technical assistance using the online HDED system, please email [website@gsdcouncilaustralia.org](mailto:website@gsdcouncilaustralia.org)

For HDED queries, please email [hded@gsdcouncilaustralia.org](mailto:hded@gsdcouncilaustralia.org)

## GSDCA Hip & Elbow Scheme Regulations

The online facility follows the same regulations and requirements as the hard copy application process. Nothing has changed in the requirements for owners/breeders/vets/radiologists, or the documentation or approvals required.

Extract from the GSDCA Regulations Manual, refer GSDCA website [www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org/documents](http://www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org/documents) for updates

### 3.3 GSDCA Hip Dysplasia (HD) and Elbow Dysplasia (ED) Control Scheme

#### 3.3.1 Readers

- 3.3.1.1 That all readers take their direction from the GSDCA.  
i.e. The GSDCA will determine the scores/grades required for a Pass
- 3.3.1.2 Readers will be appointed by the GSDCA.

#### 3.3.2 Participation in the GSDCA HD/ED Control Schemes

- 3.3.2.1 To participate in the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme:
  - 3.3.2.1.1 The animal must be an ANKC registered pedigree German Shepherd Dog. NOTE! This includes ALL animals on the Main Register and Limited Registrar
  - 3.3.2.1.2 The animal must be twelve (12) months of age or older, and
  - 3.3.2.1.3 The animal must be positively identified:
    - a) For animals born prior to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017, by Tattoo through the GSDCA National Tattoo Scheme, or a GSDCA recognised Tattoo scheme; or by microchipping. [2017]
    - b) For animals born after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 the only acceptable identification method will be microchipping. [2017 & 2023]

#### 3.3.3 Purchase of a GSDCA HD and ED Application Form

- 3.3.3.1 A GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme application form is to be issued by the Member Club HD and ED Control Scheme Registrar upon payment of the required fee.
- 3.3.3.2 The forms must be paid for when purchased and the forms attached to that particular animal's x-rays.  
NOTE! - Forms cannot be transferred to another animal, or any monies refunded, under any circumstances.
- 3.3.3.3 That HD/ED forms may be supplied to the breeder of animals at the normal members price, on behalf of owners of dogs bred by that kennel. [2023]
- 3.3.3.4 The State Registrar completes the form with the following details.
  - a) State Contract Number allocated.
  - b) Name of Dog
  - c) Tattoo Number of Dog (for dogs born before 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 only), and/or Microchip Number. [2017]
- 3.3.3.5 Incorrectly labelled films will not be accepted for reading.

#### 3.3.4 Correct Labelling of X-Rays

- 3.3.4.1 The onus is on the Veterinarian to ensure that the animals comply with the requirements of the GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme. Failure to meet these requirements will mean that the animal will be required to be re-x-rayed. No attached labels will be accepted as means of positive identification.
- 3.3.4.2 The x-ray plates/digital x-rays submitted for assessment in the GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme are to be as follows; -
- 3.3.4.3 The radiographs SHALL be identified RADIOGRAPHICALLY with all of the following:
  - a) the GSDCA tattoo number (for dogs born before 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 only), and/or microchip number [2017]
  - b) the date
  - c) right or left marker
  - d) the dog's name
  - e) State Contract Number
- 3.3.4.4 Incorrectly labelled x-rays and/or x-rays of poor quality (plates or digital) will not be accepted for reading and shall be returned by the reader to the HD/ED Registrar. The HD/ED Registrar

shall then contact the Veterinarian/Owner advising them of the situation.

### **3.3.5 Computer Radiography Generated Images (Digital X-rays)**

- 3.3.5.1 For computer radiography generated images (digital x-rays) to be accepted by the GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme, the images must be of a high quality and saved as DICOM Images. (i.e. .dcm extension)
- 3.3.5.2 Images saved and forwarded in any other format will not be accepted for reading and shall be returned by the reader to the GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme Registrar. The HD/ED Registrar shall then contact the Veterinarian/Owner advising them of the situation.
- 3.3.5.3 If the tattoo number (for dogs born before 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 only) and/or microchip number is not identified radiographically on the x-ray plates the animal must be re-x-rayed. No attached labels will be accepted as means of positive identification through the GSDCA HD and ED Dysplasia Control Scheme. [2017]

### **3.3.6 Advice to Veterinarians for X-Rays**

Refer to the “Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Scheme” Application Form, for detailed advice to Vet’s. (i.e. X-ray requirements, labeling, DICOM images, etc)

### **3.3.7 Forwarding of X-Rays to the GSDCA Appointed Readers**

- 3.3.7.1 Once the animal has been x-rayed the x-rays plates/digital x-rays and all documentation are to be forwarded to the nominated reader.
- 3.3.7.2 The x-rays are to include the following documentation:
  - a) The GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme Application Form (signed by the Owner and Vet)
  - b) A copy of the ANKC Registered Pedigree.
  - c) A stamped self-addressed envelope for the return of the provisional result from the GSDCA appointed reader

### **3.3.8 Receipt of the GSDCA ‘A’ and ‘Z’ Stamp Results**

- 3.3.8.1 A provisional result (pink copy) will be returned in the stamped self- addressed envelope. Shortly thereafter a GSDCA Hip and Elbow Control Scheme Certificate will be forwarded by the HD/ED Registrar. The onus is on the owner of the animal to ensure that all details as shown on the certificate are correct.
- 3.3.8.2 If any errors appear on the GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme Certificate, the original certificate is to be returned to the GSDCA HD and ED Control Scheme Registrar so that a replacement certificate can be issued.

### **3.3.9 Qualifications for a GSDCA ‘A’ Stamp**

- 3.3.9.1 Only animals that score no more than 8 in any one hip, and no score greater than three (3) in any one area, are awarded the GSDCA ‘A’ stamp
- 3.3.9.2 Animals that score greater than outlined above are deemed to have failed the GSDCA HD Control Scheme and are not recommended for breeding and therefore are not able to be presented to the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme.

### **3.3.10 Qualifications for a GSDCA ‘Z’ Stamp**

- 3.3.10.1 Only animals that receive a Normal, Near Normal, or Grade One elbow grading, are awarded the GSDCA ‘Z’ stamp.
- 3.3.10.2 Animals that score greater than outlined above are deemed to have failed the GSDCA ED Control Scheme and are not recommended for breeding and therefore are not able to be presented to the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme.

## GSDCA Hip & Elbow Online Facility

From 1 July 2024, the GSDCA will host a centralised online option to purchase x-ray contracts and a portal for upload of x-rays and documentation direct to the Radiologist of your choice.

Both of these will be accessed via the GSDCA website and are available for financial members of GSDCA affiliate clubs.

### How Does It Work?

1. On the GSDCA website the owner enters owner contact information and the dog's information, attaches the Dogs Australia (ANKC) pedigree in pdf format. The owner must nominate their member state (being a current financial member). They pay for the Hip and Elbow contract with credit card via the online purchasing shop. Payments are processed securely by the Westpac Bank, directly into the GSDCA account.
2. This contract payment generates an email to the respective member state registrar that they have a contract application for checking, verification and approval.
3. The state registrar checks the data, the financial membership status and confirms the application details against the uploaded pedigree. The state registrar 'approves' the application. In the event that an application is not approved, the registrar will contact the owner and a refund will be provided.
4. This approval automatically generates a pdf copy of the 'GSDCA contract' that is emailed to the owner. This contract pdf should be downloaded, saved and printed. It should be taken to the vet for signing on the day of the x-ray.
5. Owner makes appointment and visits vet with paperwork (GSDCA contract and dog's pedigree). X-rays are taken. Vet MUST sign contract.
6. At the vet (or at home) use the upload portal on the GSDCA website to enter details of the dog and contract info, attach the files (x-ray dicoms (.dcm), signed contract and pedigree pdf), select the preferred radiologist and submit for scoring.
7. This submission sends an email to the selected radiologist to view the files uploaded, score the x-rays, enter the results and approve result release.
8. This approval generates a pdf of the provisional results (aka the pink copy) as scored. It is emailed automatically to the owner, the scoring radiologist and the HDED registrar for final verification, AZ certificate generation and upload to the GSDCA database.
9. \*Paper contracts and manual payments will still be available via clubs (not preferred) but owners can then use the online x-ray portal to submit to the radiologist for scoring.

## To apply For and Purchase a GSDCA Hip and Elbow Contract

You need to be a financial member of a GSDCA affiliate club. You will need a copy of the Dogs Australia (ANKC) pedigree for your dog, with you listed as the registered owner (breeders can apply for contracts for dogs they bred).

1. Visit the GSDCV website <https://www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org/>
2. Click on the X-Ray Centre icon on the home page. This will open an instruction page

The screenshot shows the homepage of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia. The navigation menu includes: ABOUT US, COMMUNICATIONS, BREED MATTERS, JUDGING THE GSD, SHOW & OBEDIENCE, and OUR GSD's. The main content area features a large image of a German Shepherd's face with the text "German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia". Below this are three introductory paragraphs. A navigation bar contains five icons: GSDCA Dog Database, Breed Health & Welfare Profile Form, Events Calendar, News & Notices, and X-Ray Centre. The X-Ray Centre icon is highlighted with a red arrow. Below the navigation bar are five columns of information: "For Members" (Dog Database records), "Submit Dog's Health Profile" (Breed Health & Welfare Profile Form), "Whats on?" (Events Calendar), "The Latest" (News & Notices), and "Get a Contract or Submit x-rays" (X-Ray Centre). Below this is a "GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme Stats" section with five statistics: 12,785 X-Ray Results in the Database, 2,373 Breed Surveys in our Database, 137 Animals Breed Surveyed in 2023, 90 Animals completed ZAP, and 8.39 GSDCA Hip Score 5 year Rolling Ave. The footer includes the GSDCA logo and website URL.

3. Select [Hip & Elbow Contract](#) to begin the application process. To find out more about how to complete this, first read the 'Contract Buy Guide' by clicking the tab

The screenshot shows the "GSDCA X-Ray Centre" page. The page title is "GSDCA X-Ray Centre". Below the title is a sub-header: "This page is the Centre for all online X-Ray needs under the GSDCA Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Breed Improvement Schemes". There is a section "Select each tab for more detailed information" with three tabs: "Options" (selected), "Contract buy guide" (active), and "Upload x-ray guide". Below the tabs are two main content areas. The first is "Hip & Elbow Contract" with an image of a dog's hip and elbow and the text: "Click the image to go to the online Application Form and make payment for your GSDCA Hip and Elbow X-Ray contract". The second is "Upload Portal for X-ray Scoring" with an image of a dog's hip and elbow and the text: "Click the image to upload x-rays files (dcm) and copies of GSDCA Contract and dog's pedigree to submit to the Radiologist of your choice". At the bottom, there is a section titled "What is the Process?" with a list of steps: 1. Apply for, Pay and receive a GSDCA X-ray Contract; 2. Book and Visit your Vet for x-rays (note the specific requirements for how they are done); 3. At the Vet (or at home) upload the x-ray files and paperwork to send direct to your radiologist of choice for scoring; 4. Wait for the results and GSDCA A2 certificate.

4. Fill in all the relevant details in the form. The dog and owner details must match what is on the dog's pedigree.

- Upload a copy of your dogs pedigree during this process. It must be in PDF format (10MB max file size), include your dogs name in the file name. When you click Choose File it will take you via your file manager to find and select the file you want to upload.



**Hip and Elbow Contract**

\$42.00 – \$77.00

Requires submission of a copy of the dog's ANKC pedigree. For members of a GSDCA affiliated Club.

Type of X Ray to purchase

Type of Contract  Hip and Elbow X-Rays  
 Hip only X-Rays  
 Elbow only X-Rays

Dogs Australia Registered Name

Dogs Australia Registered No

Microchip No   
0 of 15 max characters

Dog's Date of Birth  Sex  Male  Female

Name of Registered Owner   
This must match the name on the pedigree

Address   
Street Address  
   
City State / Province / Region  
  
ZIP / Postal Code

Email

Phone

Upload the Dog's Pedigree Certificate    
Accepted file types: pdf. Max. file size: 10 MB.  
 Upload a copy of your dog's ANKC Pedigree certificate to complete the application. PLEASE include your dogs pedigree name in the filename to upload

Member Club   
Select the State Club that you a financial member of ?

Membership Number   
Include your Club membership number for easy reference

I hereby declare that: (a) There has been no surgical intervention in relation to the hips and elbows of this animal. (b) The particulars above are correct and relate to the dog submitted for radiographic examination. (c) The radiograph remains the property of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia and may be retained for further research. (d) I understand that this is a research program to improve German Shepherd Dogs in Australia

Owner Declaration  Yes, I agree to the declaration as stated  
I hereby declare that: (a) There has been no surgical intervention in relation to the hips and elbows of this animal. (b) The particulars above are correct and relate to the dog submitted for radiographic examination. (c) The radiograph remains the property of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia and may be retained for further research. (d) I understand that this is a research program to improve German Shepherd Dogs in Australia

Owners Signature

Use your mouse or draw on your device

SKU: Xray  
 Category: Hip & Elbow Contracts

Description Additional information

- Select [Add to Cart](#) at the bottom of the page

If you have missed a field, the form will not submit it will be highlighted in red. Make the correction and Add to Cart again. A new page will appear.

The Cart page appears, displaying all the information previously entered, which you can check. If you want to apply for another (2<sup>nd</sup> or more) contract, click [continue shopping](#) to be returned to the application form

7. Click [Proceed to Checkout](#)

**Cart**

"Hip and Elbow Contract" has been added to your cart. [Continue shopping](#)

**Cart Summary**

Product	Price	Quantity	Subtotal
<a href="#">Hip and Elbow Contract - Hip &amp; Elbow Xrays</a> GSDCA Contract Number: GSDCA00061 Type of Contract: Hip and Elbow X-Rays Dogs Australia Registered Name: Redirect Carter Dogs Australia Registered No: 3123456798 Microchip No: 946579813246587 Dog's Date of Birth: 01/05/2020 Sex: Female Name of Registered Owner: Mickey Mouse Address: 123 smth St Clayton, Victoria 3149 <a href="#">Map It</a> Email: jacintapoole@outlook.com Phone: 0403123465 Upload the Dog's Pedigree Certificate: <a href="#">GSDCA-Regulations-Manual-V12-updated-23.10.2023-Final.pdf</a> Member Club: GSDCV Membership Number: 98/123 Owner Declaration: Yes, I agree to the declaration as stated Owners Signature:	\$77.00	1	\$77.00

[Update cart](#)

**Cart totals**

Subtotal	\$77.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>

[Proceed to checkout](#)

The payment page is displayed.

8. Enter your Billing details in the left hand side, then enter your credit card details for payment.

9. Tick the 'I am not a robot' box and then click [Place Order](#).....wait a few seconds for the processing to begin

**Billing details**

First name \*  Last name \*

Company name (optional)

Country / Region \* **Australia**

Street address \*   
 Apartment, suite, unit, etc. (optional)

Suburb \*

State \*

Postcode \*

Phone \*

Email address \*

**Additional information**

Order notes (optional)

**Your order**

Product	Subtotal
Hip and Elbow Contract - Hip & Elbow Xrays x 1 GSDCA Contract Number: GSDCA00035 Type of Contract: Hip and Elbow X-Rays Dogs Australia Registered Name: Artline Texta Dogs Australia Registered No: 3321654987 Microchip No: 998 456123 Dog's Date of Birth: 01/04/2020 Sex: Male Name of Registered Owner: Walt Disney Address: 123 smth st Clayton, Victoria 3149 <a href="#">Map It</a> Email: jacintapoole@outlook.com Phone: 0403123456 Upload the Dog's Pedigree Certificate: <a href="#">SAMPLE-ANKC-Pedigree.pdf</a> Member Club: GSDCV Membership Number: 22/456 Owner Declaration: Yes, I agree to the declaration as stated Owners Signature:	\$77.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>

**GSDCA PayWay**

Credit cards accepted: Visa, Mastercard

[Test](#)

Name on Card

Card Number

Expiration   Security Code

[Visa](#)

I'm not a robot

[Place order](#)

If your payment proceeds successfully, the checkout screen will be displayed

Checkout

Thank you. Your order has been received.

ORDER NUMBER: <b>7673</b>	DATE: <b>09/04/2024</b>	EMAIL: <b>jacintapool@outlook.com</b>	TOTAL: <b>\$77.00</b>
PAYMENT METHOD: <b>GSDCA PayWay</b>			

### Order details

Product	Total
<p><b>Hip and Elbow Contract - Hip &amp; Elbow Xrays x 1</b></p> <p>Type of X Ray to purchase: Hip &amp; Elbow Xrays                      GSDCA Contract Number: GSDCA00035                      Type of Contract: Hip and Elbow X-Rays                      Dogs Australia Registered Name: Arline Texta                      Dogs Australia Registered No: 3321654987                      Microchip No: 9987456123                      Dog's Date of Birth: 01/04/2020                      Sex: Male                      Name of Registered Owner: Walt Disney                      Address: 123 smith st                      Clayton, Victoria 3149</p> <p><a href="mailto:jacintapool@outlook.com">Mail It</a>                      Email: <a href="mailto:jacintapool@outlook.com">jacintapool@outlook.com</a>                      Phone: 0403123456</p> <p>Upload the Dog's Pedigree Certificate: <a href="#">SAMPLE-ANKC-Pedigree.pdf</a>                      Member Club: GSDCV                      Membership Number: 22/456                      Owner Declaration: Yes, I agree to the declaration as stated                      Owners Signature: </p>	\$77.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>
<b>Payment method:</b>	<b>GSDCA PayWay</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>

### Billing address

Walt Disney  
 123 smith st  
 Clayton Victoria 3149  
 0403456798  
[jacintapool@outlook.com](mailto:jacintapool@outlook.com)

You will receive a payment receipt to your email address (that you entered on the form)

Your German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia order has been received!

Thank you for your order

Hi Walt,

Just to let you know — we've received your order #7673, and it is now being processed:

[Order #7673] (09/04/2024)

Product	Quantity	Price
<p>Hip and Elbow Contract - Hip &amp; Elbow Xrays</p> <p>Type of X Ray to purchase: Hip &amp; Elbow Xrays                      GSDCA Contract Number: GSDCA00035                      Type of Contract: Hip and Elbow X-Rays                      Dogs Australia Registered Name: Arline Texta                      Dogs Australia Registered No: 3321654987                      Microchip No: 9987456123                      Dog's Date of Birth: 01/04/2020                      Sex: Male                      Name of Registered Owner: Walt Disney                      Address: 123 smith st                      Clayton, Victoria 3149</p> <p><a href="mailto:jacintapool@outlook.com">Mail It</a>                      Email: <a href="mailto:jacintapool@outlook.com">jacintapool@outlook.com</a>                      Phone: 0403123456</p> <p>Upload the Dog's Pedigree Certificate: <a href="#">SAMPLE-ANKC-Pedigree.pdf</a>                      Member Club: GSDCV                      Membership Number: 22/456                      Owner Declaration: Yes, I agree to the declaration as stated                      Owners Signature: </p>	1	\$77.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>		<b>\$77.00</b>
<b>Payment method:</b>		<b>GSDCA PayWay</b>
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$77.00</b>

### Billing address

Walt Disney  
 123 smith st  
 Clayton Victoria 3149  
 0403456798  
[jacintapool@outlook.com](mailto:jacintapool@outlook.com)



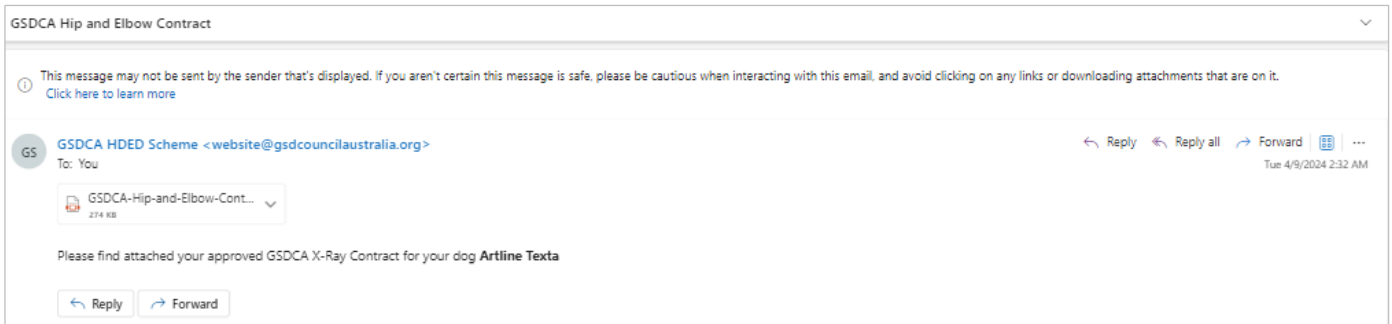
**Congratulations. You have applied and paid for your Hip and Elbow Contract.**

Your application will be automatically emailed to your State Club Registrar, who will verify the details you have entered against the copy of the pedigree you uploaded. Any corrections will be made.

Your financial club membership status will be verified. If you are not a financial member of a GSDCA affiliate club, your application will be denied and a refund provided.

When (if) the application is then approved by the state registrar, the system will automatically email a pdf copy of the GSDCA contract to your email address.

This will appear in your inbox as below, with the contract attached as a pdf file.



Open the pdf of the contract (which will already have your dog's name included in the file name), and save it and/or print it ready to take to your vet on the day of x-ray.

GSDCA-Hip-and-Elbow-Contract Artline... Download Print Save to OneDrive

**The German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.**  
**Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Scheme**

Hips  Elbows

Form No.  State Contract No.  HD Register No.

**Application Form**

<b>Dog Registration Details</b>	
Registered Name	Artline Texta
Registered Number	3321654987
Microchip Number	9987456123
Name of Owner	Walt Disney
Address	123 smith st Clayton Victoria
Email	jacintapoole@outlook.com
Phone	0403123456
Date of Birth	01/04/2020
Sex	Male
Postcode	3149

**I hereby declare that:**

a) There has been no surgical intervention in relation to the hips and elbows of this animal.

b) The details above are correct and relate to the dog submitted radiographic examination.

c) The radiograph remains the property of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia and may be retained for further research.

I understand that this is a research program to improve German Shepherd Dogs in Australia.

**Owners Signature**

**Advice to Veterinarian: Hip x-ray:**  
One view of the dog's pelvis is to be taken under general anaesthesia\*. A high quality radiograph is required and any incorrectly exposed or poorly positioned films will not be read but returned for re-x-raying. The radiograph should be repeated at the Veterinarian's expense.

**Computer Radiography Generated Images (Digital X-rays):**  
For computer radiography generated images (digital x-rays) to be accepted by the GSDCA Hip Dysplasia and Elbow Dysplasia Control Scheme, the images must be of a high quality and saved as DICOM Images. (ie .dcm extension)

**Labelling:** Incorrectly labelled Radiographs will not be accepted for reading and will be returned for re-x-ray. The radiograph must be identified radiographically with all of the following:

- The dog's Microchip Number
- The date of the x-ray
- Right or Left marker
- The dog's Registered Pedigree name
- State Contract Number

**View:**  
**Extended Ventro-Dorsal Pelvis:**  
(No other view will be accepted for assessment). The radiograph should cover an area from the iliac crest to the stiffl joint. The femora should be parallel to each other and the stifles rotated inward so that the patellae lie in the centre of the trochleae of the femora. Care should be taken to ensure that the pelvis is square and the femora are parallel to the cassette.

**Elbow x-ray:** A fully flexed lateral view taken from the medial to the lateral.

**IF THE ORIGINAL MICROCHIP NUMBER CANNOT BE LOCATED,** and the dog needs to have another Microchip Number implanted the new microchip number must be recorded below and identified on the x-ray

**New Microchip Number**.....

**Veterinary Surgeon Submitting Radiograph of Anaesthetised Dog (complete in full and duly sign)**

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinary Practice: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Radiograph: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian Declaration: I certify that I have checked the dog's Microchip Number and identified it radiographically on the x-ray

Vets Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Postage**  
Send disk of dicom xray files, 2 copies of this signed contract and all documentation (include copy of registration papers and a stamped, self-addressed envelope for results) to:

**Dr Roger Lavelle**  
PO Box 25  
Lancelfield  
Vic 3435

**Dr Jennifer Richardson**  
PO Box 3477  
Broadway Nedlands LPO  
WA 6009

**Dr Ana Hayes**  
PO Box 36  
Vermont  
Vic 3133

**Send x-ray Files Electronically to Radiologist**  
Upload xray dicom files, pdf copy of signed contract and pedigree papers via GSDCA website direct to Reader  
[www.gsdcaustralia.org/xray](http://www.gsdcaustralia.org/xray)

\* If, in the opinion of the vet, for particular reasons a dog should not be anaesthetised, a veterinary certificate certifying that anaesthetic has not been used should be attached to the radiograph.

## Upload X-Rays and Paperwork to Your Preferred Radiologist

When you have had your dog x-rayed, you can send your x-rays and all paperwork directly online to your preferred radiologist. This can be done by the Vet clinic on the day or you can do at home (take a usb to the vet to get a copy of your x-rays).

*Note: both 'new digital' and 'original paper' GSDCA contracts can be submitted online for scoring.*

To send your files to your preferred radiologist, you will need:

- A copy of the Dogs Australia (ANKC) registration pedigree papers for your dog that you uploaded with your contract application (as a pdf)
- A copy of the GSDCA contract (must be signed by the vet taking the x-rays) (as a pdf)
- Your x-ray files (in dicom format) with you listed as the registered owner (breeders can apply for contracts for dogs they bred).

### What happens after your submit your x-rays online?

1. Your selected Radiologist receives an email advising they have x-rays to score
2. The Radiologist scores the x-rays and approves submission of the results
3. This generates an email to you as the owner with a pdf copy of the interim results
4. Following this, results are confirmed and a GSDCA AZ Certificate will be generated and posted to the owner by the GSDCA HDED Registrar.

### To complete the upload process:

1. Visit the GSDCA website <https://www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org/>
2. Click on the [X-Ray Centre](#) icon on the home page. This will open an instruction page

The screenshot shows the homepage of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia. The navigation menu includes: ABOUT US, COMMUNICATIONS, BREED MATTERS, JUDGING THE GSD, SHOW & OBEDIENCE, and OUR GSD's. The main content area features a large image of a German Shepherd's face with the title "German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia". Below this are three introductory paragraphs. A navigation bar contains five icons: GSDCA Dog Database, Breed Health & Welfare Profile Form, Events Calendar, News & Notices, and X-Ray Centre. The X-Ray Centre icon is highlighted with a red arrow. Below the navigation bar are five service boxes: "For Members" (Dog Database), "Submit Dog's Health Profile" (Breed Health & Welfare Profile Form), "Whats on?" (Events Calendar), "The Latest" (News & Notices), and "Get a Contract or Submit x-rays" (X-Ray Centre). At the bottom, there is a "GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme Stats" section with five data points.

GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme Stats				
12,785	2,373	137	90	8.39
X-Ray Results in the Database	Breed Surveys in our Database	Animals Breed Surveyed in 2023	Animals completed ZAP	GSDCA Hip Score 5 year Rolling Ave

3. Select [Upload Portal for X-ray Scoring](#) to begin the submission process. To find out more about how to complete this, first read the 'Contract Buy Guide' by clicking the tab

### GSDCA X-Ray Centre

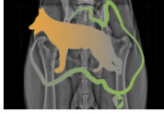
This page is the Centre for all online X-Ray needs under the GSDCA Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Breed Improvement Schemes

Select each tab for more detailed information

Options

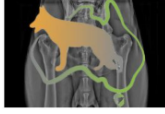
Contract buy guide

Upload x-ray guide



**Hip & Elbow Contract**

Click the image to go to the online Application Form and make payment for your GSDCA Hip and Elbow X-Ray contract



**Upload Portal for X-ray Scoring**

Click the image to upload x-rays files (.dcm) and copies of GSDCA Contract and dog's pedigree to submit to the Radiologist of your choice

**What is the Process?**

- Apply for, Pay and receive a GSDCA X-ray Contract
- Book and Visit your Vet for x-rays (note the specific requirements for how they are done)
- At the Vet (or at home) upload the x-ray files and paperwork to send direct to your radiologist of choice for scoring
- Wait for the results and GSDCA AZ certificate

This will open the submission form. Fill in all the relevant details *as they appear on your contract*

### Submit Your Dog's X-Ray Files to a GSDCA Radiologist

In order to submit x-rays via this process and proceed with submission you **MUST** have purchased and recieved a formal GSDCA Hip and Elbow Contract, approved via your affiliate Club.

[Visit here to purchase a contract](#)

#### Hip and Elbow X-Ray File Submission

Submission of x-ray files for Reader Results for GSDCA Hip and Elbow Contract. Please enter the relevant and matching data from your Contract.

Type of X-Rays to be read (required)

- Hip and Elbow X-Rays
- Hip Only X-Rays
- Elbow Only X-Rays

Select the X-Rays you will be submitting for Scoring

GSDCA Contract Number (required)

Enter the GSDCA number on your contract

State Contract Number (required)

Dogs Australia Registered Name (required)

Dogs Australia Registered No (required)

Microchip No (required)

Sex (required)

- Male
- Female

Dog's Date of Birth (required)

Name of Registered Owner (required)

This must match the name on the pedigree

Address (required)

Street Address




ZIP / Postal Code

Phone (required)

Email (required)

Select Preferred Radiologist (required)

- Dr Roger Lavelle
- Dr Jenny Richardson
- Dr Ana Hayes

Enter the GSDCA Contract Number and State Contract Number exactly as they appear on your contract

Ensure your email address is typed correctly, this is where results will be sent

Select your preferred radiologist from the list. (this determines who will score your x-rays)

Complete the Veterinary information, which includes the name of the vet taking the x-rays and the vet clinic

**VETERINARY INFORMATION**

Date of X-ray (Required)  New Microchip Number   
Enter number if new microchip implanted for xray

Referring Veterinary Surgeon Submitting Radiograph of Anaesthetised Dog (Required)

Name of Veterinary Practice (Required)

Phone (Required)  Vet Email

Address (Required)

Street Address

City  State / Province / Region

ZIP / Postal Code

Are you submitting as ? (Required)

Owner of Animal

Veterinary Clinic conducting X-Ray

Attach the relevant files (multiple x-ray files), then your signed contract and registration pedigree.

When the file is successfully uploaded, a green tick appears

**X-ray File UPLOAD**

1. X-Rays for Hips and Elbows

Upload X-ray files (Required)

Accepted file types: dcm, Max. file size: 128 MB, Max. files: 5.

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Upload x-ray files for Hips and Elbows. Dicom format only

**Contract and Pedigree File UPLOAD**

1. GSDCA Hip & Elbow Contract Signed by Vet

Upload Contract file (Required)

Accepted file types: pdf, Max. file size: 128 MB, Max. files: 1.

Maximum number of files reached

GSDCA Hip and Elbow Contract Edmond-Robust.pdf	275 kb	100%	✔
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The GSDCA HD&E Contract must be signed by the Veterinarian taking x-rays.

Upload Pedigree file (Required)

Accepted file types: pdf, Max. file size: 128 MB, Max. files: 1.

Pedigree file: Please include your dog's pedigree name in the file name

When you've completed the details on the form and attached all files, click Submit. This sends your submission via email to your radiologist. You should receive your results with several days, via email. An AZ certificate will also be posted.