



Norsk Lundehund Klubb



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RAS – BREEDING STRATEGY FOR THE NORWEGIAN LUNDEHUND

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The lundehund is a Norwegian dog breed, and because of this, the Norwegian Lundehund Club is responsible for the development of the breed standard internationally.

The Norwegian Lundehund Club have developed a breeding specific strategy (RAS - an acronym for "Rasespesifikk Avls-Strategi"), that currently only exists in Norwegian. It was approved by Norsk Kennel Klub (the Norwegian national partner club of the FCI) in January 2014 and is valid until December 2018.

We have translated [parts of the breeding specific strategy](#) to English. The summarized plan of action is also translated, included below on this page.

If you have questions, please contact the breeding council of the Norwegian Lundehund Club on email: avlsraadet@lundehund.no.

Goals and plan of action

| | Short term | Long term |
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| Increasing the effective population size to 200 (90 males and 110 females) in 2020-2025 | | 2020-2025. |
| All puppy bitch buyers must commit to breeding at least one litter from their bitch, unless there are medical reasons not to breed her. | 2014 | |
| Develop the Norsk Lundehund Klubb online database as a tool to find suitable matches. | Dec 2014 | |
| Highest recommended coefficient of inbreeding to remain at 3.25 based on a five-generation pedigree. | Feb 2014 | ongoing |
| Establish a network of volunteers all over the country who can assist and guide novice breeders to ensure that more dogs succeed in mating naturally. | 2015 | |
| Further develop advisory services for novice breeders. | 2016 | |
| Increasing the demand for puppies through promoting the breed at shows, performance events, competitions, fairs and through the media | | ongoing |

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| | Short term | Long term |
| Increasing the number of Lundehunds in Norway to 1.000 | | 2025 |

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| individuals by 2025 | | |
| All puppy bitch buyers must commit to breeding at least one litter from their bitch, unless there are medical reasons not to breed her. | 2014 | |
| Applying to the Norwegian Kennel Club for a continuation of the exemption from their rules granted on 1 July 2014 that allows breeders of Lunde-hunds to mate their bitches from the age of 15 months. | Jan 2014 | |
| Establish a network of volunteers all over the country who can assist and guide novice breeders to ensure that more dogs succeed in mating naturally. | 2015 | |
| Further develop advisory services for novice breeders. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> novice breeder’s supplement to the Lundehund book establish a network of mentors | July 2014 2016 | |
| Organizing seminars for breeders | 2017 | |
| Increasing the demand for puppies through promoting the breed at shows, performance events, competitions, fairs and through the media | | ngoing |
| Monitoring online information about the breed. | Dec 2015 | |

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| | <i>Short term</i> | <i>Long term</i> |
| Decreasing the risk of IL through the dissemination of knowledge amongst owners and the veterinary profession | | Ongoing |
| Documenting owners’ experience with various diets for lundehunds | July 2015 | |
| Mapping potential IL triggers | July 2015 | |
| Improving treatment of IL | | Ongoing |
| List 30 veterinarians across Norway to receive a copy of the Lundehund book. | Feb 2014 | |
| List 4-5 experienced owners who can advise owners of dogs with gastrointestinal problems. | Feb 2014 | |
| Establish a network of veterinarians with extensive experience in treating IL. | Jan 2015 | |
| Organize a seminar on IL for veterinarians, regional club representatives and other interested parties in collaboration with the Norwegian School of Veterinary Science. | 2016 | |

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| | <i>Short term</i> | <i>Long term</i> |
| Reducing the breed predisposition for IL and improve fertility through an outcross project in cooperation with NordGen, the Norwegian Genetic Resource Centre and the Norwegian School of Veterinary Science | | 2025 |
| Developing a plan for the outcross project. | Feb 2014 | |
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| Establishing procedures for documenting the outcross project | Feb 2014 | |
| Comparing the genetic profiles of selected breeds with the Norwegian Lundehund. | Dec 2014 | |
| Implementation | | 2025 |

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| | <i>Short term</i> | <i>Long term</i> |
| Preserving breed mentality and original function | | |
| Developing methonds for assessing breed mentality. | Apr 2015 | |
| Conducting a trial breed mentality test | July 2015 | |

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| | <i>Short term</i> | <i>Long term</i> |
| Preserving breed behaviour and instincts | | |
| Developing a description of breed typical behaviours | | 2020 |