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## ***Dog allergy testing.***

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R1200.00

Take better control of your dog's wellbeing and health with a dog allergy test.

Allergy testing is important for any dog owner who has their dog's best interest at heart as it can make managing allergies easier and provide allergy mitigation strategies that can result in happier and healthier dogs.

### **What causes allergies?**

Common environmental allergens are found everywhere and food allergens will be often found across many dog food brands ... for the canine sufferer, their life can be rendered miserable, resulting in very poor health, a lack of energy, mood changes etc.

Common environmental triggers include fleas and dust mites as well as moulds and pollens from trees, grasses, weeds and flowers.

Allergies are caused by an overactive immune system that perceives harmless substances as threats.

This triggers a reaction which can include any of the common symptoms we associate with allergies such as itching and sneezing.

**Our Dog Allergy was featured on**

"It turns out that Sabueso is allergic to Brussels sprouts, duck, lamb, orange, sardines, wheat and yams .... We have already changed dog food on the evidence of the test .... and he has stopped licking his skin constantly."

Vivian Silverstein, Companion Animal Behaviourist



Read the full review!

### **Over 100 allergens tested with this test.**

A dog allergy test is a powerful tool to determine what exactly is causing your dog's allergies. Each is ranked in one of three ways.

The dog tested may be:

Positive for the allergen tested

Negative for the allergen tested

Be reacting to the allergen but levels are not high enough for a positive reading ... View the full [list of allergens](#) tested for in this test.

### **The power of allergy testing.**

This dog allergy test will not only provide you with a list of the allergens that are making your dog unhappy or triggering their allergic reactions.

The results also provide details about the foods and supplements to avoid at all costs and some important guidelines as to what household products, food, treats and supplements can be beneficial for your dog or for which he or she shows no allergic reaction to. You will also have detailed information about the allergens your dog tested positive for and include dietary and lifestyle guidelines such as the use of corticosteroids, elimination diets, topical treatments, supplements – like probiotics and Omega-3 oils- and much more.

### **Take a look at the test results.**

Results for this test will be sent by email after **2 weeks from receipt of samples**. Sample results can be viewed by clicking the below image:



Ernie has tested positive for this allergen (there was a reaction).

### Grass

Grass allergies are caused by a powdery yellow pollen, not the grass itself. The powder is what flowers and grasses put out to be transferred from plant to plant by bees, birds, and the wind. Grass pollen can be absorbed through the skin, breathed into the lungs, brought into the house by humans, or by the dog licking their fur with grass pollen on it.

Symptoms of a grass pollen allergy include diarrhea, bald spots from scratching, hives, excessive licking, red and watery eyes, moist or crusty-like skin, runny nose, scratching, and sneezing.



Ernie may be reacting to the allergen but levels are not high enough for a positive reading.

### Carrot

Carrots are sometimes used for sweetness in treats and foods and are found in a number of dog foods. They are also often fed raw as treats. However, some dogs can be sensitive to this vegetable.

Symptoms of a carrot intolerance include diarrhea, head shaking, hives, paw biting, bald patches, chronic gas, chronic ear infections, coughing, obsessive licking, vomiting and wheezing. Some dogs can also suffer from skin infections or skin rashes.



Ernie has a negative reaction to this allergen (did not respond to these items).

### There are 94 Negative Results

Almond Oil	Ants	Apple
Asparagus	Banana	Barley
Beaver	Beet	Bell Pepper
Blue-Green Algae	Blueberry	Broccoli
Brown Rice	Brussels Sprout	Buckwheat
Buffalo/Bison	Canola Oil	Celery
Chick Pea	Chicken	Chicken Egg
Chlorella	Co-Q-10	Cookroach
Coconut Oil	Cod Liver Oil	Com
Cottonseed Oil	Cucumber	Dairy
Duck	Duck Egg	Dust Mites
Elk	Feathers	Fish Meal
Flaxseed Oil	Fleas	Gelatin
Ginger	Glucosamine	Grains (Bread)
Green Beans	Green lipped Mussel	Green Peas
House Fly	Kale	Kangaroo
Kelp	Kidney Beans	Lamb
Lemon	Limonene	Molasses
MSM (Sulphur)	Oat	Olive Oil
Orange	Ostrich	Peanut Butter

## Collecting samples for this test.

You can collect samples for this test using our home sample collection kit. We will send out your kit once we have processed your order and you may collect samples quickly and painlessly from your dog following the instructions in the kit. View sample collection by [clicking here](#).

## Important note! >>

*This test is designed to help you learn the sensitivities your pet may be experiencing so you can have a better understanding of what your pet may not be able to tolerate. There are a number of options available to deal with these sensitivities. We recommend discussing them with your veterinarian to find the solution that is best for you. This can include introducing a new diet to your pet, eliminating certain foods and medications.*

## Special offers and discounts.

The Dog Allergy test is priced at R1200.00

You can benefit from a **R200 discount** if you decide to order a **second or third** Dog Allergy test for your other pooch or maybe for a relative or a friend. Take advantage of our discount today!

## **FAQs**

### **What are the most typical allergens?**

Mold spores

Dust and house dust mites

Medications

Insecticidal shampoo

Rubber and plastic

### **What are the most common symptoms?**

The following are some of symptoms that are commonly exhibited in dogs with allergies.

Itchy, red, moist or scabbed skin

Increased scratching

Itchy, runny eyes

Itchy ears and ear infections

Sneezing

Diarrhea

Snoring

Constant licking

### **Do different dog breeds suffer from different allergies?**

Yes, different dog breeds may be more susceptible to specific allergies.

The following are some breeds that are sensitive to issues with food

and/or airborne allergies: Maltese terrier, Pekingese, German

Shepherd, Bull Terriers, Bichon Frise, English Cocker Spaniel, Brussels

Griffon, American Hairless Terrier, Bohemian Terrier, Shih Tzu, Lhasa

Apso, American Pit Bull Terrier, Wire-Haired Fox Terrier, Chinese

Crested/Powderpuff, Poodle, Irish Setter, English Bulldog, Pugs.

### **How can allergies be treated?**

Allergies can be managed by avoiding the allergens which trigger the allergy. It is also possible to manage the allergies through the use of

medication or medicated shampoos – however, many times such treatments only mask a problem without finding the root cause. Importantly, allergies cannot actually be treated but rather managed – if a dog has an allergy, there are no actual cures that will make that allergy disappear.

**Do you still have some unanswered questions?**

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