# Bengal Cat



# Ocular disorders known or presumed to be inherited (published)

	Diagnosis	Description and com- ments specific to the breed	Inheritance	Gene/ marker test	References
А	Uveal cyst		Unknown	NO	1
В	Persistent pupillary membrane		Unknown	NO	2
С	Congenital cataract	Nuclear or Posterior Polar	Unknown	NO	3
D	Retinal degen- eration/Ben- gal Progressive Retinal Atro- phy (PRA-b)	Begins around 7 weeks of age and pro- gresses slowly;	Autosomal recessive	NO	4
E	Retinal degeneration (rdAc)	Blindness usually oc- curs at 3-5 years of age; prevalence of carriers (Europe, aver- age): 16%	Autosomal recessive	YES	5
F	Strabismus		Unknown	NO	6
G	Lacrimal punctum atresia		Unknown	NO	6

## The ECVO's advice relating to hereditary eye disease control

Please see ECVO Manual chapter 8: VET Advice

### Recommendations regarding age and frequency for eye examinations

Pleasesee ECVO Manual chapter 7: ECVO Age and Frequencyrecommendations

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