

BULLDOG

Examine on ramp.

Weight Dogs about 50 lbs.; Bitches about 40 lbs.

Head – Massive, wrinkled, short-faced, broad, square head.

Jaws – Massive, square, broad (wide), undershot jaw which projects considerably in front of the upper jaw and turns well up. Head very high when viewed from the side. Forehead flat. **Nose** – Large, broad, black. **Nostrils** – Wide, large and black. **Ears** –Set high and wide on head. Rose ears desired.

Body – Heavy, thick, low-slung, pear-shaped body. When viewed from above- wide shoulders, barrel shaped ribs, narrower loin, narrow rear. Body and brisket very capacious with very broad, deep, full chest. Back short and strong with a wheel-backed topline. Shoulders very heavy, widespread and slanting outward. **Tail**- Must be low set and carried downward; may be straight or screwed. No part of the tail to be elevated above the base of the root.

Forelegs – Short, very stout and straight. Muscular, with well-developed calves presenting a bowed outline, but the leg bones should be straight. Elbows low and stand well out and loose from body, but not overly loose, neither pointing in nor away from the body. Front feet may be straight or slightly out-turned.

Hindquarters – Strong, muscular, longer than forelegs so as to elevate the loin above the shoulder. Stifles turned slightly outward and away from body causing the hocks to approach each other. **Feet** – Moderate in size, compact, firmly set. Hind feet should be pointed well outward.

Color – Uniform, pure of its kind, brilliant. Red, white, fawn, fallow or any combination of the foregoing. Patterns and markings may include brindle, piebald, ticking, black masks, black tipping, a minimal amount of solid black in piebalds. All other colors or markings are disqualification, as is the merle pattern.

Gait- Loose-jointed, shuffling sidewise motion giving the characteristic roll. Must be vigorous, free and unrestrained.

Disqualifications: Blue or green eye(s) or parti-colored eye(s).. Brown or liver-colored nose. Colors or markings not defined in the standard. The merle pattern.

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