

Boykin Spaniel

Examine on Floor, Ramp or Table

Height Dogs 15.5" – 18" Bitches 14" – 16.5"

General Appearance- All-around hunting dog, medium size, sturdily built with moderate bone, firm muscles, well balanced, slightly longer than tall but never square. Pendulous ears, intelligent expression with a docked, wagging tail.

Head- In proportion to size of dog. **Expression-** Alert, self-confident, attractive and intelligent. **Eyes-** Oval or almond, medium size, yellow to amber to varying brown shades, set well apart. **Ears-** Set slightly above or even with line of eye. Leather thin, almost reach tip of nose. Hang close to cheeks and are flat. **Skull-** Medium length, broad, flat on top. **Stop-** Moderate, parallel planes. **Muzzle-** Approximately same length as skull and ½ the width. **Jaws-** sufficient length to easily carry game. **Nose-** Fully pigmented, dark liver and well open nostrils. **Bite-** Level or scissors (preferred). Overshot or undershot are serious faults.

Neck- Muscular, moderately long, slightly arched. **Back-** Straight, strong, level. **Loins-** Short, strong, slight tuck up. **Body-** Sturdy, not too compact. Brisket extends to elbow. Croup slopes gently.

Tail- Set follows natural line of croup. Docked to 3" to 5" when fully mature. Carried horizontally or slightly elevated, lively, merry action.

Forequarters - Shoulders are sloping, clean and muscular. Legs medium in length, straight and well boned. Pasterns are strong with no suggestion of weakness. Feet are round, compact, well-arched, of medium size with thick pads. Dewclaws should be removed. The toes closely grouped, webbed and well padded. **Hindquarters-** Well-developed hips and thighs showing strength and drive. **Hocks-** Joint slightly rounded, moderately angulated. Legs from hock joint to foot pad moderate length, strong, straight and parallel.

Coat- Typically a single coat, but may have some undercoat. Flat to slightly wavy, outer coat of medium length. Undercoat short and dense. Ears, chest, legs and belly light fringe or feathering.

Color- Solid rich liver, brown or dark chocolate. Small amount of white on chest or toes permitted. No other white allowed.

Gait- Effortless, good reach and drive. Single tracks with increased speed.

Temperament- Friendly, willing worker, intelligent and easy to train.

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