

# Dogue de Bordeaux

**Height** - Dogs 23.5" to 27" Bitches - 23" to 26"

**General Appearance** - Powerfully built, muscular, slightly longer than tall, built rather close to the ground. Typical brachycephalic molossoid dog. Length to height ratio = 11:10

**Head** - Massive, large, angular, broad, rather short, furrowed with symmetrical wrinkles on each side of the median groove. **Eyes** - Oval, hazel to dark brown with no visible haw, protruding a fault. **Ears** - Small, set rather high. **Stop** - Very pronounced, almost forming a right angle. **Muzzle** - Broad, thick and rather short. **Nose** - Broad, self-colored, slight upturn permitted. **Teeth** - Undershot with no contact between upper and lower incisors, not visible when mouth is closed.

**Body** - Strong, muscular, almost cylindrical neck with well-defined dewlap. Skin is supple, ample and loose. **Topline** - Solid with broad, massive back. **Chest** - Powerful, deep, broad, reaching beyond the elbows. **Tail** - Very thick at base, reaches hock, but not below, carried low, hanging in repose, level with back in action. Not curled.

**Color** - Dark red fawn to all shades of fawn; limited white patches are permissible on chest and extremities of limbs. White on tip of tail and on front part of forelegs a fault. May have black or brown or no mask and pigmentation of nose and eye rims will correspond.

**Gait** - Quite supple for molossoid. Good drive and extension at the preferred gait of a trot. Front feet approach median plane while striding out with long reaching movement.

**Temperament** - Guard dog who is vigilant with great courage, but without aggressiveness. Good companion being attached and affectionate to his master.

## DISQUALIFICATIONS:

- Mouth not undershot; wry jaw.
- An atrophied tail or a tail that is knotted and laterally deviated or twisted.
- White in any other location other than what is listed above or any coat color other than shades of fawn on the head or body, or any coat color other than shades of fawn