

# Russian Toy Dog

Examine on table

**Height** - 8" to 11" **Weight** - Over 2 pounds to 6 ½ pounds

**General Appearance** - Square, small, elegant dog, lively. Long-legged, with fine bone

**Head** - Small compared to body. Width at the zygomatic arches does not exceed depth of skull. **Eyes** - Quite large, rounded, dark, slightly prominent, set well apart, looking forward. **Ears** - Big, thin, set high, erect. Semi-pricked ears on long haired dogs permissible but not desirable. **Muzzle** - Lean, tapered, slightly shorter than skull. **Stop** - Clearly pronounced. **Nose** - Black on black and tan, red, red sable. Brown on chocolate and tan, and red brown. Slate gray on blue and tan. **Bite** - Scissors.

**Neck** - Slightly arched, carried high, long. **Topline** - Slightly slopes from wither to tail root, strong and straight. **Body** - Chest is oval, tucked up belly. **Tail** - Natural or docked carried high.

**Shoulders** - Blades moderately long and not too sloping. Scapula and upper arm equal. **Legs** - Straight, long, parallel. **Feet** - Small.

**Coat** - Smooth coated. Long coated, straight or slightly wavy.

**Color** - Black and tan, Chocolate and tan, Blue and tan, Red, Red sable, Red brown.

**Gait** - Free, effortless with good reach, strong drive.

## DISQUALIFICATIONS:

- Height at withers over 12 inches or under 7 inches.
- Weight less than 2 pounds.
- Hanging (completely down) ears.
- Overshot, undershot.
- Absence of one canine.
- Long coat dogs: absence of any fringes on ears and presence of curly hair. (Dogs younger than 18 months may have sparse or few fringes).
- Presence of brindle markings.