

# Boerboel

**Height** - Dogs 24" to 27" Bitches 22" to 25"

**General Appearance** - Large, strong, confident, and muscular with powerful, free-flowing movement. Standing or moving should show strength, suppleness, and agility.

**Head** - Blocky, broad, deep, square and muscular with well-filled cheeks. Moderate wrinkling over the forehead when the dog shows interest. **Eyes** - Preferably dark brown, widely spaced, and fully pigmented. **Ears** - Medium sized, V shaped. **Muzzle** - Broad, deep, and narrows slightly. Slightly more than 1/3 length of head. **Nose** - Black. **Bite** - Scissors, with complete dentition.

**Body** - Length to height ratio is 10:9. Blocky, muscular, and solid.

**Neck** - The dewlap is noticeable, but disappears toward the sternum.

**Topline**-Firm, level, moving or standing. **Ribcage**- Well sprung and filled. **Croup** - Broad, flat, and strong. **Tail** - Traditionally docked, natural acceptable.

**Coat** - Short, dense, smooth, and shiny. The skin is thick and loose, but fits smoothly.

**Color** - Red, brown, reddish brown, fawn, cream, brindle, and flesh marked. Piebald, white not to exceed 33%. Black mask is desirable. Limited clear white patches on legs and fore chest permissible.

**Gait** - Agile, powerful. Legs converge as speed increases.

**Temperament**-Dominant with strong protective instincts. Aggressive or belligerent attitude toward other dogs not to be faulted. Should be trained to allow examination.

## **Disqualifications:**

- Blue Eye(s).
- Entropion or ectropion.
- Under shot greater than or overshot bite.
- Wry mouth.
- Prick ears.
- Blue colored (Powdered Coat) dogs, white exceeding more than 33% of the color on a dog, ticking or spots within area of white.
- Any base color not listed.
- Long coat.
- Nose leather in any color other than black.

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