

BULLDOG

GROUP: Non-sporting

SIZE:

Height 12-14 in. Weight 40-55 lbs.

COAT:

Smooth & short

COLOR:

Color is immaterial.

HEAD:

Large and square; circumference, in front of ears, should equal the height of the dog at the shoulders or greater.

Eyes: Set wide apart and slightly above the level of the nose, as far from ears as possible; round, medium size, very dark in color.

Ears: Set wide apart, small and “rose” shaped, set high on head, never erect or prick-eared.

Muzzle: Short, broad and deep, turned upward.

Nose: Black with large nostrils. Brown or liver colored nose is disqualification.

Bite: Undershot, with lower jaw projected in front of upper jaw. **Teeth should not show when mouth is closed.**

NECK:

Short, very thick and strong.

BODY:

Back is short and broad at shoulders but narrows at the loins. Topline is roached, forming an arch. Chest is broad and deep with well-sprung ribs.

FRONT & REAR QUARTERS:

Forelegs are straight, strong, short and set wide apart.

Hind legs are muscular and longer than forelegs, with hocks let well down.

Feet: Round, large and slightly turned outward.

Tail: Either straight or “screwed,” but no curved or curly; Set low, medium length and tapered to the tip.

MOVEMENT:

Strong and driving, yet very agile.

TEMPERAMENT:

Protective and aloof with strangers.

Any departure from this standard should be considered a fault, and the final score should reflect the seriousness of the deviation from the standard.