

CHINESE CRESTED

GROUP: Toy

SIZE:

Desired height 10-13 inches, but slightly smaller or large may be considered. Weight should be 5-10 pounds.

COAT:

Hairless: Long, Silky, soft tufts appear on head (crest), feet (socks) & tail (plume); head crest begins at the stop and tapers off between the base of the skull and the back of the neck; hair is permitted on the ears and face and may be trimmed for neatness; two-thirds of the end of the tail plume is covered with a long, flowing feathering; hairless parts of skin is soft and smooth.

Powderpuff: Completely covered with long, soft and silky double coat with thin guard hairs over short silky undercoat; straight and of medium density and length. *Faults:* **Heavy, kinky or curly coat.**

COLOR:

Skin from pink to black; all colors or combinations of coat colors acceptable.

HEAD:

Wedge shaped when viewed from both the side and from above; slightly rounded skull, gently arched from ear to ear over the occiput; slight but distinct stop; distance from occiput to stop is equal to the distance from the stop to tip of nose.

Muzzle: Medium and tapering to a point; cheeks taper cleanly into muzzle; lips clean and tight.

Eyes: Almond shaped, set wide apart; dark in color in dark colored dogs, lighter in light colored dogs; eye rims match color of dog.

Ears: Large and erect, with base level with the outside corner of the eye.

Nose: Solid color; dark in dark colored dogs; may be light in light colored dogs.

Bite: Scissor or level. *Faults:* **Overbite or underbite; missing teeth in Powderpuff, but not faulted in Hairless.**

NECK:

Lean and slightly arched; carried high.

BODY:

Back is level and slightly longer than its height.

Chest: Deep with a moderate tuck-up at the flanks; well developed ribs.

Topline: Level to the croup where it slopes slightly.

FRONT & REAR QUARTERS:

Forelegs are long, slender and straight; elbows held close to body; shoulders are clean and narrow.

Hind legs are firm and long, with straight hocks; stifle moderately angulated; rear pastern is perpendicular to ground.

Feet: Hare feet; narrow and long with elongated toes; nails trimmed to moderate length.

Tail: Long, slender, and tapered to a curve; long enough to reach the hock; carried gaily, sometimes carried slight over the back, when dog is in motion; tail is down and has a slight curve at the end resembling a sickly when dog is at rest.

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MOVEMENT:

Graceful; swift and very agile, with flowing gait; comes and goes at a trot moving in a straight line.

TEMPERAMENT:

Playful, high-spirited, yet very lovable and entertaining..

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

Disqualifications:

Viciousness or extreme shyness.

Albinism.