

## **JAPANESE CHIN**

GROUP: Toy

### **SIZE:**

8-11 inches. Weight 5-8 pounds, in proportion to height.

### **COAT:**

Long, straight, soft, and silky; abundant thick feathering

### **COLOR:**

Black and white, black and white with tan points, or red and white; red includes all shades of red, orange, lemon, and sable which includes any shade intermingled or overlaid with black.

### **HEAD:**

Large, with rounded skull (not domed), very pronounced stop and short muzzle

Eyes: Round, set wide apart and dark in color.

Ears: Small v-shaped, set high and carried hanging close to side of head; well feathered

Muzzle: Short, broad and deep.

Nose: Very short with wide, open nostrils, upturned; black in black and white coat, self-colored or black in the red and white.

Bite: Wide jaw and slightly undershot (very sensitive to examination; if any hesitancy is displayed, the judge should allow the handler to present the bite).

### **NECK:**

Medium length and carried upright.

### **BODY:**

Square, back is straight and short.

Topline: Level.

Chest: Deep and oval shaped, moderately wide with rounded ribs.

### **FRONT & REAR QUARTERS:**

Forelegs are straight and well feathered with hind legs having stifles and hocks slightly bent.

Feet: Hare-like and long, with toes close together and well-feathered, front point straight ahead or very slightly outward, rear point straight ahead.

Tail: Plumed and carried over back, flowing to either side of body.

### **MOVEMENT:**

Smooth flowing gait with graceful movements; moves straight with front and rear legs tracking in the same plane.

### **TEMPERAMENT:**

Alert, sensitive, intelligent, responsive and affectionate with acquaintances, reserved 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**