

## TOY MANCHESTER TERRIER

GROUP: Toy

### SIZE:

The Toy Manchester Terrier is classed by weight only and not for height. Weight for the Toy should not exceed 12 pounds. Out of size dogs should be faulted to the degree of variation from the desired size.

### COAT:

Smooth, short, dense, tight, and glossy; not soft.

### COLOR:

Jet black and rich mahogany tan that are clear and distinct from each other, abruptly forming clear, well-defined lines of color division. Tan markings include: small spot over each eye; very small spot on each cheek; on lips of upper and lower jaws, to extend under the throat and ending in the shape of the letter "V;" inside ears; under tail; and on the vent; "Rosettes," tan spots on each side of the chest above the front legs, are more pronounced in puppies than in adults. Black patches include: front of each foreleg, between the pastern and the knee; distinct black "pencil mark" line running lengthwise on top of all toes. The rest of forelegs are tan to the knee; on hind legs, tan continues from the feet penciling up the inside of the legs to a little below the stifle joint. The outside of the legs are black. ***Serious fault: White on any part of the coat.***

### HEAD:

Long, narrow head is almost flat and has a slight indentation up the forehead; slightly wedge-shaped, tapering to the nose; tight-skinned with no visible cheek muscles, but is well-filled-up under the eyes; tight-lipped jaws.

Eyes: As near black as possible; small and bright sparkling eyes set moderately closely together; oblong in shape and slant upward on the outside; eyes neither protrude nor sink in the skull.

Ears: Thin, naturally erect ears set well up on skull and rather close together; moderately narrow at the base and have pointed tips. ***Disqualification: Cropped ears.***

Muzzle: Muzzle and skull are equal in length.

Nose: Black.

Bite: Level or scissors bite.

### NECK:

Slightly arched, slim and graceful, of moderate length; gradually becomes larger as it approaches, and blends smoothly with the sloping shoulders; **throatiness is undesirable.**

### BODY:

Moderately short and slightly longer than tall; chest is narrow between the legs and deep in the brisket; ribs are well-sprung out behind the shoulders.

Topline: Slight arch over the robust loins falling slightly to tail set. ***Serious faults: Flat back or roached back.***

### FOREQUARTERS:

Shoulder blades and upper arm should be approximately same in length; distance from elbow to withers is approximately the same distance from the elbow to the ground; elbows should lie close to the brisket; well laid-back shoulders; straight forelegs of proportionate length to the body and set well under the body.

#### HINDQUARTERS:

Muscular thigh with approximate equal length of upper and lower thighs; stifle is well turned; well let-down hocks turning neither in nor out as viewed from rear; hind legs are carried well back.

Feet: Front feet are well arched and compact with two middle toes slightly longer than the others. Hind feet are cat-like. Both front and hind feet have thick pads and black toenails. **All dewclaws should be removed.**

Tail: Moderately short, tapered, and reaching no further than the hock joint; set on at the end of the croup; thicker where it joins the body and tapering to a point; carried in slight upward curve, but never over the back.

#### MOVEMENT:

Free and effortless with good reach of forequarters, showing no indication of hackney gait; strong driving power from rear quarters matching front reach; hocks should fully extend; each rear leg should move in line with the foreleg of the same side, neither thrown in nor out; when moving at a trot, the legs tend to converge towards the center of gravity line beneath the dog.

#### TEMPERAMENT:

Neither aggressive nor shy; keenly observant, devoted, but discerning; generally friendly with other dogs.

**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.**

**Cropped or cut ears.**

**Any color other than black and tan.**

**White on any part of coat that forms a patch or stripe measuring as much as one-half inch at its longest dimension; Albinism**

**Under bite or overbite.**