



Miniature Shar-Pei Club of America

Miniature Shar-Pei

Founded in the year 2000

Standard Provided by ABIDS

DESCRIPTION

Head: Slightly large in proportion to body

Eyes: Dark, clear, and almond shaped, not sunken or protruding

Ears: Triangular, small, thick lying close to head (preferably curled back at the tip); set wide apart and forward on the skull angled toward the eyes

Skull: Flat and broad with moderate stop; plane of the forehead and muzzle parallel

Muzzle: Adequate bone and padding to give a square appearance

Nose: Large, wide, may be dark pigmented or conform to general coat color

Tongue: Grey, purple, or lavender; some degree of pink on tongue is allowed, but not desirable

Teeth: Scissors bite

NECK: Medium length, muscular, set well into shoulders with abundant dewlap (dewlap is the loose skin under the chin)

BODY

Topline: Dips slightly behind withers, rising slightly over loin

Chest: broad, deep, brisket extending to elbow; rising somewhat under the loin

Back: Short, coupled and broad

Croup: Curves slightly downward to high set tail

Tail: Thick at base tapering to point; carriage should be up and over the back

QUARTERS

FOREQUARTERS:

Shoulders: Muscular, sloping, well laid back

Forelegs: (When viewed from the front) Straight, moderately spaced, elbows close to body (When viewed from side) Straight, adequate bone, pasterns strong and flexible

Feet: Proportionate to size (Front dew claw removal preferred)

HINDQUARTERS:

Hindquarters: Thighs muscular, full, well defined, and moderate angulation

Hocks: Well let down, short, and perpendicular to ground; and parallel to each other when viewed from the rear (Hind dew claws must be removed)

GAIT: Balanced, free flowing; both front and rear legs should tend to coverage on a centerline with strong forward reach and drive

HEIGHT AT THE WITHERS: 17 inches and under

DISQUALIFYING FAULTS –Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.