

## *OEBKC Standard*

# Olde English Bulldogge



**TEMPERAMENT:** The disposition should be confident, courageous and alert. The Olde English Bulldogge is a dependable family guardian protective of his territory yet friendly toward strangers. The dog should show a willingness to please. Some animal aggression within sex is not unusual. **Major Fault:** Shyness in a mature.

**SIZE, PROPORTION:** Height at the highest point of the withers: **Dogs:** 17"-20". **Bitches:** 15" - 19"

**Minor Fault:** All points being equal, a slightly smaller or larger dog would be a minor fault.

The dog should appear well balanced and proportional with no feature exaggerated or standing out. It is a medium sized dog showing great strength and must look like he can do his original job, Bull-Baiting

**Weight: Dogs:** 60lbs - 80 lbs. **Bitches:** 45lbs - 70 lbs

**HEAD:** The **skull** should be large, well proportioned to the body. **Major Fault:** A narrow skull, domed forehead.

The circumference of the head should be at least equal to the height at the shoulders. The **stop** should be deep and broad, extending up the head and perpendicular to the layback of the nose. The **cheeks** should be large, well developed with large jaw muscles. Slightly wrinkled forehead is acceptable.

**EYES:** Eyes should be round and medium, set wide apart with the outside corner of the eye intersecting with the outside line of the skull. They should be set low at the level of the muzzle where the stop and muzzle intersect. Dark eyes preferred, with black pigmented eye rims. **Minor Fault:** Any pink on eye rims. **Disqualification:** Any other eye color.

**MUZZLE:** Wide and deep. The distance from the tip of the nose to the stop should not exceed one-third of the length from the tip of the nose to the center of the occiput. **Minor Fault:** A slightly longer or shorter muzzle

Broad under the eyes and nearly parallel in width to the line of the skull. There should be moderate wrinkle on the muzzle.

**Minor Fault:** Excessive wrinkle.

**Nose:** The nostrils should be wide with a line running vertically between nostrils from the tip of nose down to the bottom lip. When viewed from the side, the front of the nose should show a moderate layback which is perpendicular with the angle of the forehead. Large and broad the relationship to the width of muzzle. Nose should be black. **Major Fault:** Any Pink. **Disqualification:** Any color other than Black.

**Bite:** Undershot and horizontally straight, but lips should cover the teeth. **Disqualifications:** Any other type of bite. Wry jaw.

**Lower jawbone:** Moderately curved from rear to front. **Minor Fault:** A jawbone that is flat and/or only curved in the front.

**Tusks** should be large. Missing or chipped teeth are acceptable, except the 6 corn-row teeth between the Tusks.

6 corn-row teeth should be perfectly straight. **Minor Fault:** Less than 6 corn-row teeth.

**EARS:** Should be rose or button, with rose preferred. They should be set high and wide apart to the rear of the skull. They should be small to medium.

**NECK, BACK, and BODY:** **Neck:** Short, slightly arched and slightly smaller than the head where the two meet. It should taper from the head to the shoulders. It should be slightly loose from jaw to chest forming a double dewlap. Flews should be semi pendulous. **Disqualification:** Single dewlap.

**Back:** Muscular showing power.

**Top-line:** Slight roach, rising from just after the withers and upward to the stern, then downward. The roach should make a rounded stern (over the hips). **Major Fault:** Any other Top line.

**Loin:** (back of rib cage to hips) should be medium in length.

**Chest:** should be wide and deep with a muscular brisket. Ribs should be well sprung and rounded being at there fullest directly behind the shoulders. **Minor Fault:** Narrow rib cage.

**Body:** Sturdy. The length from tip of breastbone to rear thigh should slightly exceed the height from ground to withers.

**Minor Fault:** All points being equal, a slightly smaller or larger dog would be a minor fault.

**FOREQUARTERS: Shoulders:** Heavily muscled, a separation between shoulder blades, and slant outward from tip to bottom of shoulder blade. The shoulders should be at a 90 degree angle from front tip of shoulder to elbow. Shoulders should be broad and slightly wider than rear. **Minor Fault:** *Slightly straight front.* **Major Fault:** *Loose shoulders.*

**Elbows:** Stand slightly away from the body but not turned outward or loose.

**Forelegs:** Straight, muscular and of medium bone in proportion to the body. **Minor Fault:** *Bone that is too heavy or too light.* **Major Fault:** *Loose elbows.*

**Legs:** Straight vertically on inside of legs, well muscled legs giving a bowed appearance of front quarters. Legs should be set wide apart coming down from shoulders.

**Pasterns:** Straight and strong. **Minor Fault:** *Weak pasterns.*

**Feet:** Medium size and are well arched and rounded (cat's foot). **Minor Faults:** *Long toes and splayed feet.*

**HINDQUARTERS:** The **hind legs** should be strong and muscular being slightly longer than the forelegs. The **hips and thighs** should be well muscled donating power. **Minor Fault:** *Shoulders and hips equal in width.*

In a natural stance they should be straight and set wide apart but not to appear equal to or wider than forelegs. When looking from the rear, the legs should look like a 3 legged stool, with the back legs appearing between front legs. A properly muscled OEB will appear slightly cow-hocked in a natural stance with a slightly outward turn of the stifles and foot. They should have good angulations in the **stifles**. **Minor Fault:** *Poor angulations.* **Major Fault:** *Cow-hocked.*

**TAIL:** The tail should be set low and tapering from base to end. The tail can be pump handle or straight with pump handle being preferred. If a dog is excited or alerted, it would not be unusual for its tail to rise above the Top-line. However, the tail should be carried down and **not over the back**. The length should reach the hocks or slightly shorter. **Minor Fault:** *A slightly longer tail.* **Major Fault:** *A tail carried over the back and/or with a full curl.* **Disqualification:** *Crook, screw, bobbed or docked tail.*

**COAT & COLOR:** The coat should be short, close and medium density. The coat should be shiny, showing good health. **Color** can be any shade of brindle, brindle and white, pied (brindle, fawn, red and white), solid fawn of light and dark, solid white and red. **Major Fault:** *Fringing, feathering, curl in the coat or any color other than above.*

**GAIT:** The gait should be a smooth rolling gait with hind legs appearing to skim the ground. The gait should be balanced and vigorous.