One Breed, Two Varieties

Canada

General Appearance:

A terrier calculated to take his own part in the rat pit and not of the Whippet

- Toy Manchester: Over 12 pounds = Disqualification
- Standard Manchester: Over 22 pounds = No Disqualification or Excusal

"Level in mouth" (i.e., not wry); No mention of dentition.

Proportions:

Scale of Points:

"Body moderately short with robust loins."

Toy Manchester standard contains scale of points.

General Appearance:

"...sleek, sturdy, yet elegant look... smooth, compact, muscular body expresses great power and agility, enabling the Manchester to kill vermin and course small game.

United States

"Except for size and ear options, there are no differences between the Standard and Toy varieties of the Manchester Terrier. The Toy is a diminutive version of the Standard variety."

- Toy Manchester: Over 12 pounds = Excusal
- Standard Manchester: Over 22 pounds = Disqualification

Scissors bite preferred, level acceptable; Full and proper dentition described.

Proportions:

"Slightly longer than tall" (ground to withers vs point of shoulder to ischium).

Colour & Markings

- Disqualification: Any colour other than Black and Tan.
- "Color and/or markings should never take precedence over soundness and type."

FCI/UK/Australia Manchester Terrier

General Appearance:

FCI/UK/Australia English Toy Terrier

Well balanced, elegant and compact, sleek and cleanly built.

General Appearance:

Different Breed Standards; Can be Imported/Exported and Bred

Toy with Terrier characteristics.

Compact, elegant and sound with substance.

Size:

Ideal height at shoulders: Dogs: 41cms (16 ins); Bitches: 38 cms (15 ins). Head

Ideal weight 2.7-3.6 kgs (6-8 lbs). Ideal height at shoulders: 25-30 cms (10-12 ins).

Slight stop vs TMT's "slight indentation up the forehead".

Head

Size:

Bite: Scissors bite only; No mention of dentition.

Ears:

• Bite: Scissors bite only; No mention of dentition.

Ears:

Button ear only (naturally erect not permitted).

Body: Short with well sprung ribs.

Feet:

Descriptors of bone: "Fine bone eminently desirable" (front) and "Dainty" (feet).

"A 'tucked under' appearance undesirable."

Hindquarters

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bending ear forward - it should not reach eye. From nine months of age ear car-"Candle-flame shape, slightly pointed tips...A guide to size can be obtained by

riage must be erect..."

Body: Compact

Proportions

Proportions:

Front feet: "semi-harefooted".

Separate Breeds

Canadian Kennel Club Toy Manchester Terrier

Size

Weight not exceeding 12 lb. (5.5 kg). All dogs weighing more than 12 lb. (5.5 kg) shall be disqualified. It is recommended that at all dog shows the open class shall be (and any or all other classes, except puppy class, may be) divided as: (a) under 7 lb. (3 kg); and (b) 7-12 lb. (3-5.5 kg).

Coat and Colour

Coat smooth, short, thick, dense, close, and glossy; not soft. Jet black and rich mahogany tan, which should not run or blend into each other but meet abruptly forming clear, well-defined lines of colour division. A small tan spot over each eye; a very small tan spot on each cheek. The lips of the upper and lower jaws should be tanned, extending under the throat, ending in the shape of the letter V. The inside of the ears partly tanned. Tan spots, called rosettes, on each side of the chest above the front legs, more pronounced in puppies than in adults. There should be a black "thumb mark" patch on the front of each foreleg between the pastern and the knee. There should be a distinct black "pencil mark" line running lengthwise on the top of each toe on all four feet. The remainder of the forelegs to be tan to the knees. Tan on the hind legs should continue from the pencilling on the feet up the inside of the legs to a little below the stifle joint; the outside of the hind legs to be black. There should be tan under tail, and on the vent, but only of such size as to be covered by the tail. (White in any part of the coat is a serious fault and shall disqualify whenever the white shall form a patch or stripe measuring as much as 1/2 inch (1 cm) in its longest dimension.)

Head

Long, narrow, tight skinned, almost flat, with a slight indentation up the forehead; slightly wedge-shaped, tapering to the nose, with no visible cheek muscles, and well filled up under the eyes; level in mouth, with tight-lipped jaws. Nose black. Eyes small, bright, sparkling and as near black as possible; set moderately close together; oblong in shape, slanting upwards on the outside; they should neither protrude nor sink in the skull. Ears of moderate size; set well up on skull and rather close together; thin, moderately narrow at base; with pointed tips; naturally erect carriage. Wide, flaring, blunt tipped or "bell" ears are a serious fault; cropped or cut ears shall disqualify.

Neck

The neck should be of moderate length, slim and graceful; gradually becoming large as it approaches, and blend smoothly with the sloping shoulders; free from throatiness; slightly arched from the occiput.

Forequarters

Shoulders sloping. Forelegs straight, and well under body. Feet compact, well arched, with jet-black nails; and two middle toes in the front feet rather longer than the others.

Body

Back slightly arched at the loin, and falling again to the joining of the tail to the same height as the shoulder. Body moderately short with robust loins. Chest narrow between the legs; deep in the brisket. Ribs well sprung out behind the shoulders.

Hindquarters

Hind legs should not turn in or out as viewed from the rear, carried back; hocks well let down. The hind feet shaped like those of a cat.

Tail

Moderately short, and set on where the arch of the back ends. Thick where it joins the body, tapering to a point, not carried higher than the back.

Faults

White in any part of the coat is a serious fault. Wide, flaring, blunt tipped or "bell" ears are a serious fault.

Disqualifications

Cropped or cut ears. White whenever it shall form a patch or stripe measuring as much as 1/2 inch (1 cm) in its longest dimension. Weight, more than 12 lb. (5.4 kg).

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Canadian Kennel Club Standard Manchester Terrier

General Appearance

A terrier calculated to take his own part in the rat pit and not of the Whippet type.

Size

Weight - 12-22 lb. (5-10 kg).

Coat and Colour

Coat close, short, and glossy; not soft. Colour black and tan, as distinctive as possible; the tan should be a rich mahogany colour. A tan spot over each eye, and another on each cheek, the latter as small as possible. The lips of the upper and lower jaws should be tanned, the tan extending under the jaw to the throat, ending in the shape of the letter V. The inside of the ear is partly tanned. The forelegs tanned to the knee, with a black patch "thumb mark" between the pastern and the knee. The toes have a distinct black mark running up each, called the "pencilmark". The tan on the hind legs should continue from the pencilling on the feet up the inside of the legs to a little below the stifle joint, and the outside of the legs should be perfectly black. There should be tan under tail, and on the vent, but only of such size as to be covered by the tail. In every case the tan should meet the black abruptly.

Head

Narrow, almost flat, with a slight indentation up the forehead, long and tight-skinned. Slightly wedge-shaped, tapering to the nose, and well filled up under the eyes, with tight-lipped jaws. Nose should be perfectly black. Level in mouth, with no visible cheek muscles. Eyes small, bright, and sparkling, set moderately close to together, as near black as possible; oblong in shape, slanting upwards on the outside. They should neitherprotrude nor sink in the skull. Ears erect, or button, small and thin; smaller at the root and set as close together as possible at the top of the head. If cropped to a point, long and carried erect.

Neck

The neck should be slim and graceful, gradually becoming large as it approaches the shoulders, and perfectly free from throatiness; slightly arched from the occiput.

Forequarters

The shoulders slope off elegantly. Legs perfectly straight, and well under the body; strong, and of proportionate length. Feet compact, split up between the toes, well arched, with jet-black nails; the two middle toes in the front feet rather longer than the others.

Body

Short, with powerful loins, the back being slightly arched at the loin, and falling again to the joining of the tail to the same height as the shoulder. Chest narrow between the legs, deep in the brisket; ribs well sprung out behind the shoulders.

Hindquarters

The hind feet shaped like those of a cat.

Tail

Should be moderately short, and set on where the arch of the back ends; thick where it joins the body, and gracefully tapering to a point; not carried higher than the back.

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American Kennel Club Manchester Terriers (Toy & Standard Varieties)

General Appearance

A small, black, short-coated dog with distinctive rich mahogany markings and a taper style tail. In structure the Manchester presents a sleek, sturdy, yet elegant look, and has a wedge-shaped, long and clean head with a keen, bright, alert expression. The smooth, compact, muscular body expresses great power and agility, enabling the Manchester to kill vermin and course small game.

Except for size and ear options, there are no differences between the Standard and Toy varieties of the Manchester Terrier. The Toy is a diminutive version of the Standard variety.

Size, Proportion, Substance

The *Toy variety* shall not exceed 12 pounds. It is suggested that clubs consider dividing the American-bred and Open classes by weight as follows: 7 pounds and under, over 7 pounds and not exceeding 12 pounds.

The *Standard variety* shall be over 12 pounds and not exceeding 22 pounds. Dogs weighing over 22 pounds shall be disqualified. It is suggested that clubs consider dividing the American-bred and Open classes by weight as follows: over 12 pounds and not exceeding 16 pounds, over 16 pounds and not exceeding 22 pounds.

The Manchester Terrier, overall, is slightly longer than tall. The height, measured vertically from the ground to the highest point of the withers, is slightly less than the length, measured horizontally from the point of the shoulders to the rear projection of the upper thigh. The bone and muscle of the Manchester Terrier is of sufficient mass to ensure agility and endurance.

Head

The Manchester Terrier has a keen and alert **expression**. The nearly black, almond shaped **eyes** are small, bright, and sparkling. They are set moderately close together, slanting upwards on the outside. The eyes neither protrude nor sink in the skull. Pigmentation must be black.

Correct *ears* for the *Standard variety* are either the naturally erect ear, the cropped ear, or the button ear. No preference is given to any of the ear types. The naturally erect ear, and the button ear, should be wider at the base tapering to pointed tips, and carried well up on the skull. Wide, flaring, blunt tipped, or "bell" ears are a serious fault. Cropped ears should be long, pointed and carried erect.

The only correct *ear* for the *Toy variety* is the naturally erect ear. They should be wider at the base tapering to pointed tips, and carried well up on the skull. Wide, flaring, blunt tipped, or "bell" ears are a serious fault. Cropped, or cut ears are a disqualification in the Toy variety.

The *head* is long, narrow, tight skinned, and almost flat with a slight indentation up the forehead. It resembles a blunted wedge in frontal and profile views. There is a visual effect of a slight *stop* as viewed in profile.

The *muzzle* and *skull* are equal in length. The *muzzle* is well filled under the eyes with no visible cheek muscles. The underjaw is full and well defined and the *nose* is black.

Tight black *lips* lie close to the jaw. The jaws should be full and powerful with full and proper *dentition*. The teeth are white and strongly developed with a true scissors bite. Level bite is acceptable.

Neck, Topline, Body

The slightly arched **neck** should be slim and graceful, and of moderate length. It gradually becomes larger as it approaches, and blends smoothly with the sloping shoulders. Throatiness is undesirable. The **topline** shows a slight arch over the robust loins falling slightly to the tail set. A flat back or roached back is to be severely penalized. The **chest** is narrow between the legs and deep in the brisket. The forechest is moderately defined. The **ribs** are well sprung, but flattened in the lower end to permit clearance of the forelegs. The **abdomen** should be tucked up extending in an arched line from the deep brisket. The taper style **tail** is moderately short reaching no further than the hock joint. It is set on at the end of the croup. Being thicker where it joins the body, the tail tapers to a point. The tail is carried in a slight upward curve, but never over the back.

Forequarters

The *shoulder blades* and the *upper arm* should be relatively the same length. The distance from the elbow to the withers should be approximately the same as the distance from the elbow to the ground. The *elbows* should lie close to the brisket.

The *shoulders* are well laid back. The *forelegs* are straight, of proportionate length, and placed well under the brisket. The pasterns should be almost perpendicular. The *front feet* are compact and well arched. The two middle toes should be slightly longer than the others. The pads should be thick and the toenails should be jet black.

Hindquarters

The *thigh* should be muscular with the length of the upper and lower thighs being approximately equal. The stifle is well turned. The well let down hocks should not turn in nor out as viewed from the rear. The hind legs are carried well back. The *hind feet* are shaped like those of a cat with thick pads and jet black nails.

Coat

The coat should be smooth, short, dense, tight, and glossy; not soft.

Color The coat color should be jet black and rich mahogany tan, which should not run or blend into each other, but abruptly form clear, well defined lines of color. There shall be a very small tan spot over each eye, and a very small tan spot on each cheek. On the head, the muzzle is tanned to the nose. The nose and nasal bone are jet black. The tan extends under the throat, ending in the shape of the letter V. The inside of the ears are partly tan. There shall be tan spots, called "rosettes," on each side of the chest above the front legs. These are more pronounced in puppies than in adults. There should be a black ""thumbprint" patch on the front of each foreleg at the pastern. The remainder of the foreleg shall be tan to the carpus joint. There should be a distinct black "pencil mark" line running lengthwise on the top of each toe on all four feet. Tan on the hind leg should continue from the pencilling on the toes up the inside of the legs to a little below the stifle joint. The outside of the hind legs should be black. There should be tan under the tail, and on the vent, but only of such size as to be covered by the tail.

White on any part of the coat is a serious fault, and shall disqualify whenever the white shall form a patch or stripe measuring as much as one half inch at its longest dimension.

Any color other than black and tan shall be disqualified.

Color and/or markings should never take precedence over soundness and type.

Gait

The gait should be free and effortless with good reach of the forequarters, showing no indication of hackney gait. Rear quarters should have strong, driving power to match the 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

The Manchester Terrier is neither aggressive nor shy. He is keenly observant, devoted, but discerning. Not being a sparring breed, the Manchester is generally friendly with other dogs. Excessive shyness or aggressiveness should be considered a serious fault.

Disqualifications

Standard variety-Weight over 22 pounds.

Toy variety-Cropped or cut ears.

Both varieties--White on any part of the coat whenever the white shall form a patch or stripe measuring as much as one half inch at its longest dimension.

Any color other than black and tan.

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The Kennel Club/FCI/Australia English Toy Terriers

General Appearance

Well balanced, elegant and compact, sleek and cleanly built.

Characteristics

Toy with Terrier characteristics.

Temperament

Alert, remembering that historically he could acquit himself satisfactorily in the rat pit. Never unduly nervous.

Head and Skull

Head long, narrow, flat skull, wedge-shaped without emphasis of cheek muscles, well filled up under eyes. Top and bottom jaws held tightly together within compressed lips. Slight stop. Foreface tapers gently to provide wedge-shaped impression, in profile similar to that seen when viewed from front. Although an illusion of being overshot can result, any suggestion of snipey appearance is undesirable. Nose black.

Eyes

Dark to black, without light shading from iris. Relatively small, almond shaped, obliquely set and sparkling, not prominent.

Fars

Candle-flame shape, slightly pointed tips, placed high upon back of skull and proportionately close together. A guide to size can be obtained by bending ear forward – it should not reach eye. From nine months of age ear carriage must be erect. Entire inside of ear should face front. Leather of ear thin.

Mouth

Jaws strong, with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, i.e. upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws. Teeth level and strong.

Neck

Long, graceful, slightly arched. Shoulders well laid back. Line of neck flowing into shoulders, and sloping off elegantly. Throatiness undesirable.

Forequarters

Legs falling straight from shoulders with elbows close to chest providing a straight front. Fine bone eminently desirable.

Body

Body compact, head and legs proportionate thus producing correct balance. Back very slightly curving from behind shoulder to loin, falling again to root of tail. Chest narrow and deep with ribs well sprung. Loins well cut up. Buttocks gently rounded.

Hindquarters

Well rounded loin leading to a good turn of stifle; hocks well let down; turning neither in nor out; a 'tucked under' appearance undesirable.

Feet

Dainty, compact; split up between toes; well arched, with jet black nails, two middle toes of front feet rather longer than others, hind feet cat-like. Hare feet undesirable.

Tail

Thick at root, tapering to point. Set low and not reaching below hock. 'Gay' tail undesirable if displayed to excess.

Gait/Movement

Ideal fore-movement akin to the 'extended trot'; hackney action not desirable; equally a 'shuffling gait' undesirable. Hind action smooth with ease and precision combined with drive, there should be flowing quality to indicate true soundness.

Coat

Thick, close and glossy. A density of short hair required.

Colour

Black and Tan. The black ebony, the tan likened to a new chestnut deeply rich. Colours not running or blending into each other, but meeting abruptly, forming clear and well defined lines of colour division. Forelegs tanned to knees in front. The tan then continuing inside and at back of forelegs to point just below elbows, the thin black line up each toe (pencilling) and a clearly defined black mark (thumb mark) on centre of each pastern, and under chin. Hindlegs well tanned in front and inside with black bar dividing tan at centre of lower thigh. Heavy tan on outside of hindquarters (breeching) undesirable. Muzzle well tanned. Nose black, the black continuing along top of muzzle, curving below eyes to base of throat. A tan spot above each eye and a small tan spot on each cheek. Under-jaw and throat tanned, lip line black. Hair inside ears tan (tan behind ears undesirable). Each side of chest has some tan. Vent and under root of tail, tan. White hairs forming a patch anywhere totally undesirable.

Size

Ideal weight 2.7-3.6 kgs (6-8 lbs). Ideal height 25-30 cms (10-12 ins) at the shoulder.

Faults

Any departure from the foregoing points should be considered a fault and the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in exact proportion to its degree and its effect upon the health and welfare of the dog.

The Kennel Club/FCI/Australia Manchester Terriers

General Appearance

Compact, elegant and sound with substance.

Characteristics

Keen, alert, gay and sporting.

Temperament

Discerning and devoted.

Head and Skull

Long skull, flat and narrow, level and wedge-shaped, without showing cheek muscles, well filled up under eyes, with tapering tight-lipped mouth.

Eyes

Relatively small, dark and sparkling. Almond-shaped, not prominent.

Ears

Small and V-shaped, carried well above top line of head and hanging close to head above eyes.

Mouth

Jaws level, with perfect, regular scissor bite, i.e. upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws.

Neck

Fairly long and tapering from shoulder to head and slightly arched at crest; free from throatiness.

Forequarters

Shoulders clean and well sloped. Front narrow and deep. Forelegs quite straight, set on well under dog; and proportionate length to body.

Body

Short with well sprung ribs, slightly arched over the loin and cut up behind ribs.

Hindquarters

Strong and muscular, well bent at stifle. Hindlegs neither cow-hocked nor with feet turned in.

Feet

Small, semi-harefooted and strong with well arched toes.

Tail

Short and set on where arch of back ends, thick where it joins body, tapering to a point, carried not higher than level of back.

Gait/Movement

Straight, free and balanced with good-reaching forequarters and driving power in hindquarters.

Coat

Close, smooth, short and glossy, of firm texture.

Colour

Jet black and rich mahogany tan distributed as follows: on head, muzzle tanned to nose, nose and nasal bone jet black. Small tan spot on each cheek and above each eye, under-jaw and throat tanned with distinct tan V. Legs from knee downward tanned with exception of toes which shall be pencilled with black, a distinct black mark (thumbmark) immediately above feet. Inside hindlegs tanned but divided with black at stifle joint. Under tail tanned, vent tanned by marking as narrow as possible so that it is covered by tail. A slight tan mark on each side of chest. Tan outside hindlegs, commonly called breeching, is undesirable. In all cases black should not run into tan or vice versa, but division between colours clearly defined.

Size

Ideal height at shoulders: dogs: 41cms (16 ins); bitches: 38 cms (15 ins).

Faults

Any departure from the foregoing points should be considered a fault and the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in exact proportion to its degree and its effect upon the health and welfare of the dog.