

**OLDE ENGLISH BULLDOGGE KENNEL CLUB
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Dedicated to the Promotion and Preservation of the Olde English Bulldogge

**STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE OF TYPE FOR THE OLDE ENGLISH BULLDOGGE
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HISTORY (Brief)

The Olde English Bulldogge is a re-creation of the Original Bull-Baiter of the 18th century. Re-created by David Leavitt. The dog should appear well balanced and proportional with no features exaggerated or standing out. It is a medium sized dog, showing great strength. Must look like he could do his original job, bull-baiting. The Olde English Bulldogge is a working breed used today as family companion and guardian. Every effort is being made by the Olde English Kennel Bulldogge Club to preserve the unique traits of this breed, while avoiding the extremes that affect the "Modern" Bulldog.

EXPRESSION

A.) General appearance and attitude should suggest great stability, vigor, and strength. Dignified. Expression should show Courage, Determination, Tenacity, Strength, along with intelligence and even temper.

INFLUENCE OF SEX

Due allowance should be made in favor of the bitch who do not bear the characteristics of the breed to the same degree of perfection as do the dogs.

HEAD

- A.) Large. Well proportioned to body. Circumference of head at least equal to height at shoulders.
- B.) Stop: Deep and broad., extending up the head, perpendicular to the layback of the nose.
- C.) Jaw muscles large.
- D.) Skull flat with a crease from Stop to Occiput.
- E.) Slightly wrinkled forehead acceptable.

MUZZLE

- A.) Square, wide, deep.
- B.) Muzzle length from tip of nose to stop is 1/3 the distance from tip of nose to occiput. ***Longer, MINOR FAULT
- C.) Distance from tip of nose to bottom edge of lower lip should be equal to length of muzzle, thus producing the deep square muzzle.
- D.) Muzzle slightly to moderately wrinkled. E.) Flews: semi-pendulous

BITE

- A.) Undershot and horizontally straight. ***Any thing else, DISQUALIFATION
- B.) Lower jawbone moderately curved from rear to front. *** A lower jawbone that is flat and only curved in front is a MINOR FAULT.
- C.) Teeth missing or chipped is acceptable except 6 corn-row teeth which should also be straight.
- D.) Tusks, large

NOSE

- A.) Nostrils wide with line running vertically between nostrils to the bottom of lip to tip of nose.
- B.) Large and broad in relationship to the width of muzzle.
- C.) Pigment: Black. ***Pink or any other color on nose is a SERIOUS FAULT

EARS

- A.) Rose or Button. Rose preferred. ***Anything else is a disqualification.
- B.) Set high and to the rear of the skull.
- C.) Set wide as possible on the outside of skull.
- D.) Size: Small to medium.

EYES

- A.) Round medium sized eyes set wide apart with outside corner of eye intersecting with the outside vertical line of the skull.
- B.) Set low at level of muzzle where stop and muzzle intersect.
- C.) Color:
- D.) Eye rims: Black. ***Pink is a MINOR FAULT.

NECK

- A.) Short, wide and slightly arched.
- B.) Tapers from shoulders to head and being slightly smaller than head where the head and neck come together.
- C.) Double dew-lap.

CHEST

- A.) Ribs "well" sprung.
- B.) Wide with outward slanting shoulders. C.) Deep muscular brisket.
- D.) Shoulders to forelegs heavily muscled.

FORELEGS

- A.) Medium to heavy boned. In proportion to body. ***Too light or heavy is a MINOR FAULT.
- B.) Straight vertically on inside of legs.
- C.) Well muscled legs giving a bowed outside outline of leg.
- D.) Legs set wide apart, coming down from shoulders.
- E.) Slight outward turn of elbows. ***Exaggerated outward turn is a MAJOR FAULT
- F.) Medium length in proportion to body size.

SHOULDERS

- A.) Separation between shoulder blades.
- B.) Outward slant from tip to bottom of shoulder blade.***Straight shoulders is a MAJOR FAULT.
- C.) 90 degrees from top of shoulder to front tip. 90 degrees from front tip of shoulder to elbow.
- D.) Broad and well muscled.

RIBS

- A.) Well Sprung, rounded, and deep. ***Narrow rib cage is a SERIOUS FAULT
- B.) Ribs fullest directly behind shoulders.

LOIN

- A.) Well cut up
- B.) Short***too long or short a serious fault in dog, not bitch

BACK

- A.) Loin, short.
- B.) Top line: Roached . Rising just after withers and upward incline to stern; then downward. Making a rounded Stern (over hips). ***Any other top line is a DISQUALIFICATION.

TAIL

- A.) Tapering from base to end. ***Same circumference from base to end is a MINOR FAULT.
- B.) Pump tailed or straight. Pump handle preferred.
- C.) Carried down, not over the back.
- D.) Length: Down to hocks. Slightly shorter is acceptable. ***Longer is a MINOR FAULT.
- E.) ***Crook, screw or docked tail is a DISQUALIFICATION

HINDLEGS

- A.) Longer than front and well muscled rump and thighs around hips.
- B.) Straight even though the properly muscled OEB will appear slightly cowhocked in a natural stand with a slight outward turn of stifles and foot.
- C.) When looking from the rear, legs should look like a 3 legged stool. Back legs appearing between front legs.

FEET

- A.) Medium sized and front feet rounded (cats foot).
- B.) Well Split up, but not splayed. ***Splayed is a SERIOUS FAULT
- C.) Strong and well knuckled.

COAT

- A.) Short, close and medium fine. ***Fringe, feather or curl in coat is a SERIOUS FAULT

COLOR

- A.) Brindle of red, gray or black. Brindle pied (spots) on white. Solid white. Fawn, red or black solid or with white
- B.) Smut muzzle (black) is extremely excellent.

GAIT

- A.) Rolling gait.
- B.) Hind legs appearing to skim the ground.

HEIGHT FROM TOP OF SHOULDERS

- A.) Dogs: 17" to 20"
- B.) Bitches: 15" to 19"
- C.) All points being equal, a slightly small or larger dog should not be faulted just for its size.

WEIGHT

- A.) Dogs: 55 lbs. To 85 lbs.
- B.) Bitches: 45 lbs. To 75 lbs.

EXPRESSION TEMPERAMENT

- A.) Alert , confident and courageous.
- B.) Tolerant of strangers.
- C.) Will act swiftly if provoked.
- D.) Protective of his family and territory.
- E.) ***Shyness in a mature dog is a DISQUALIFICATION