

THE OFFICIAL StHCA (STUFFED HUSKY CLUB OF AMERICA) STANDARD FOR THE STUFFED HUSKY

SEX: All dogs are considered bitches unless testicles are present. Testicles may be surgically attached. Faults: testicles out of proportion to the body, testicles of different sizes, testicles placed other than between the hind legs.

APPEARANCE: Plump, fuzzy compact dog, body proportions reflect purpose of sitting on couch or chair, appearance is never coarse.

SKULL: In proportion to body, domed on top.

EYES: Should have two (fewer than two not faulted in Veteran's class only). Round (almond shaped is acceptable but not preferred), moderately spaced, blue in color (brown should be faulted); expression keen, friendly, interested, mischievous.

EARS: Should have two (fewer than two not faulted in Veteran's class only). Medium size, triangular, set moderately wide on head, thick, well-furred, erect.

STOP: Well defined.

NOSE: Black in all color dogs, liver is acceptable on red dogs although black is preferred.

MUZZLE: Medium short, from nose to stop somewhat shorter than from stop to occiput; can taper gradually to nose although tapering not necessary; lips well pigmented, close fitting, bite optional. May have protruding tongue, which should be pink in color (red is acceptable).

NECK: Optional in sitting or reclining dogs; medium length, arched, and carried erect in standing dogs.

SHOULDERS: Any angle is acceptable, providing shoulders can be found.

CHEST: Deep, strong, not too broad.

FORELEGS: Straight, substantial stuffing.

BACK: Length medium to short in sitting dogs, slightly longer in standing or reclining dogs; topline strongly stuffed, level on standing or reclining dogs while slightly roached on sitting dogs.

RIBS: Well-sprung, deep.

FEET: Oval or round, cat-foot accepted, medium size and compact, toes not easily separated, well-furred and thickly cushioned. Presence of toenails to be heavily penalized.

TAIL: Well-furred brush, set on level with topline or slightly higher. May be carried in any position, including tightly curled to either side of back.

HINDQUARTERS: Straight, angled slightly out on standing dogs for stability, moderately spaced. Dewclaws to be removed.

COLORS: All colors allowed.

COAT: Well-furred, medium in length, cannot obscure clean-cut outline.

SIZE: Weight in proportion to height.

MOVEMENT: Not too bouncy.

OTHER: May emit noises or play music. May be accessorized with hats, scarves, ribbons, jewelry, etc.

SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS LIMITED TO THE BEANIE CLASS: THESE FEATURES SUPERCEDE ALL OTHER REQUIREMENTS WHEN CRITERIA CONFLICT WITH NORMAL STANDARD.

Body: somewhat flattened in appearance, must be able to palpate individual beans moving around inside. Legs and tail also somewhat flat and floppy, legs splayed to sides. Faults – too “well fed” – unable to distinguish beans or has ability to stand on legs.

Ear Tag: should be present attached to left ear, heart shaped, front is red with gold border, “ty” in white and “Beanie Original Baby” in yellow star to upper right. May be preserved in plastic tag case. Should be attached with red plastic doohicky. Faults: other brands/tag shapes, other color doohickies, attached at site other than left ear

Butt tag: should be attached on inside of left leg, preferred brand is Ty. Faults – brands other than Ty.

Size range: up to 8.5 inches from tip of nose to tip of tail, head up to 2.5 inches high. Faults: more than .5 inches shorter than either dimension.

Color: should be gray & white. Other colors accepted but not preferred.

DISQUALIFICATIONS: Dog taller than the judge. Testicles that can be removed during the exam, more or less than 2 testicles. **In the Beanie class only,** longer than 8.5 inches, head taller than 2.5 inches. If presented in a plastic protective box, judge may need to shake it around in order to determine if it meets the standard. If judge is unable to establish that it meets all the above criteria it can be disqualified with “unable to examine” marked in the judge's book.