

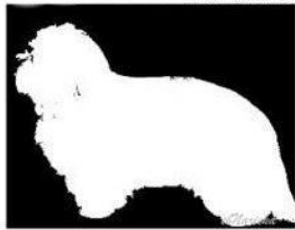
BREED COMPARISON OF ADULTS (Reference standards for Puppy Exceptions)
COTON DE TULEAR HAVANESE

COTON DE TULEAR

*COTONS are RECTANGULAR
RATIO- 2 to 3*



*TOPLINE rises IN A GRACEFUL,
NATURAL ARCH STARTING OVER LOIN*



TAIL SET IS LOW

FOREQUARTER: UPPER & LOWER ARM EQUAL
PROSTERNUM IS PROMINENT

GAIT IS FREE & FLOWING

COAT_SOFT TEXTURE OF COTTON
MAY BE SLIGHTLY WAVY

OVERALL APPEARANCE OF A WHITE DOG
MINIMAL AMOUNT OF LIGHT TAN ACCEPTABLE ON BODY 5%
MINIMAL AMOUNT OF LIGHT TAN & LIGHT GREY ON EARS

PUPPIES MAY BE BORN WITH COLOR

That color fades to the overall appearance of a white dog as an adult.

BLACK pigment only.



CONCLUSION

The COTON is RECTANGULAR (2 to 3) The Coton has a natural ARCH BEGINNING OVER THE LOIN & CONTINUING OVER THE CROUP, creating a LOW TAIL SET. Coton FRONT & REAR LEGS are EQUAL IN LENGTH contributing to FREE & FLOWING GAIT.

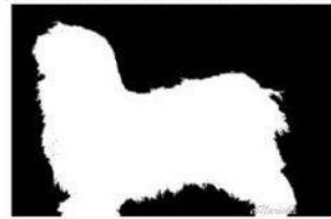
The HAVANESE is slightly rectangular. The Havanese topline makes a continuous rise from WITHERS to CROUP, REMAINING HIGH IN THE REAR, creating a HIGH TAIL SET. Characteristic springy gate is the result of the short upper arm combined with rear drive.

HAVANESE

*HAVANESE are SLIGHTLY
LONGER THAN HIGH*



*TOPLINE is a CONTINUOUS
RISE FROM WITHERS TO CROUP
CROUP is HIGHER THAN THE WITHERS*



TAIL SET IS HIGH

FOREQUARTER: UPPER ARM IS SHORT
PROSTERNUM IS EVIDENT NOT PROMINENT

GAIT IS SPRINGY

COAT_SOFT & SILKY
MAY BE CORDED

***ALL COLOR & MARKING PATTERNS
ARE ACCEPTABLE***

**BROWN or BLACK
PIGMENT IS ACCEPTABLE.**

BREED COMPARISON OF ADULTS (Reference standard for Puppy Exceptions)
COTON DE TULEAR **BICHON FRISE**



COAT IS SHOWN NATURALLY

COAT: dense & profuse with the texture of fine “cotton” -never harsh, woolly or silky. Slight wave allowed. *Severe Fault-trimming, sculpting coat.*

COLOR: **WHITE**-overall appearance of a white dog. 5% Light tan on body allowable (*over severe fault*) Slight shadings permitted on ears (excluded in 5%)

BLACK: anywhere on the body is a DQ at any age.

EYES: EYE rims pigmented black. *Halo not required.*

EARS: leathers reach back corner of mouth & lips.

BITE: level or scissors- Missing PM3 & M1 not faulted.



HIGHLY STYLIZED COAT

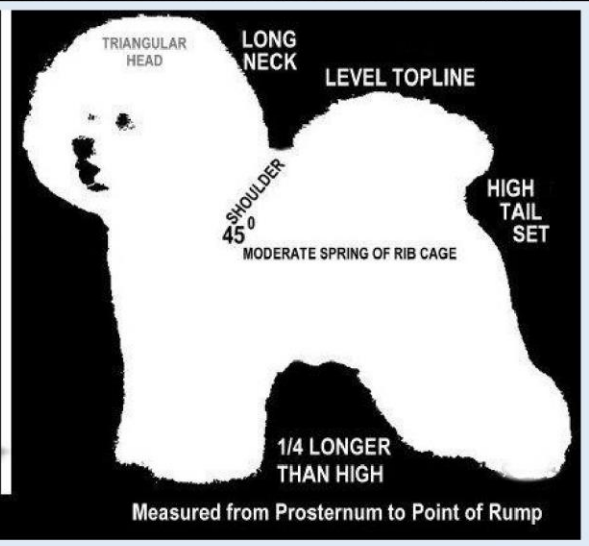
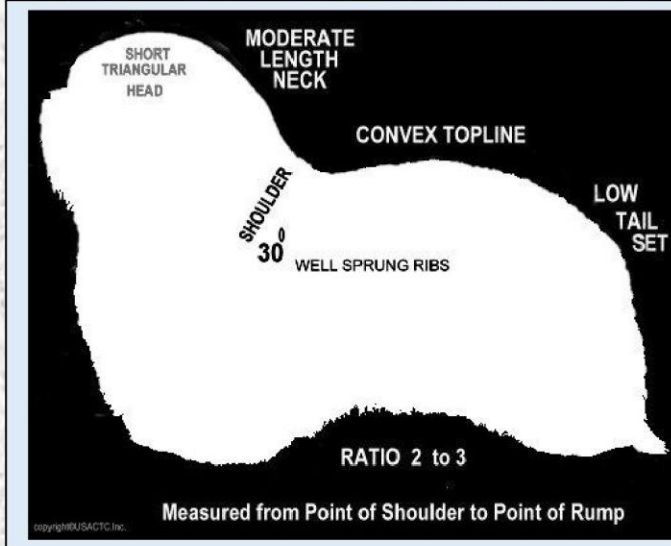
COAT: undercoat: soft & dense. Outer coat: coarser & curlier: combination producing a substantial feel of plush velvet. *Lack of undercoat...severe fault.*

COLOR: **WHITE:** buff, cream or apricot shadings on ears & body acceptable.. *Any color in excess of 10% of the entire coat is a fault.*

EYES: Rims must be black. Halos are required.

EARS: leathers reach approximately halfway the length of the muzzle.

BITE: scissors: missing teeth- *severely faulted.*



IDEAL HEIGHT: Bitches=9"-10"... Dogs=10" to 11"
TOLERANCE: ½ " below and 1" above ideal heights.
OVER & UNDER STANDARD HEIGHT = DISQUALIFICATION.
WEIGHT: bitch=8 to 13 lbs....dog=9 to 15 lbs.
GAIT: the trot with moderate free & flowing movement. The topline is retained.
 Tail carried pointing forward & arced in motion.
PRESENTATION NOTE:
COTON TAIL DOWN WHEN STACKED OR AT REST.

IDEAL HEIGHT: Dogs & bitches 9½ to 11½ inches
SIZE LIMITATIONS: over 12" --- under 9 "
WEIGHT: not specified in standard
GAIT: Movement at a trot is free, precise and effortless. In profile the forelegs and hind legs extend equally with an easy reach and drive that maintain a steady topline.
PRESENTATION NOTE:
 Tail lays on back when in motion.

THE COTON DE TULEAR AND THE BICHON FRISE ARE COMPANION DOGS WHO DISPLAY CHEERFUL ATTITUDES. BOTH BREEDS EXHIBIT “CLOWN LIKE” & ‘PLAYFUL CHARACTERISTICS’ WHEN RELAXED WITH THEIR OWNERS.

Additional information is available on the AKC Coton de Tulear Parent Breed Club Website - usactc.dog