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Head	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium size head • appears broadest at the back and tapers in wedgeshape to the tip of the nose • The muzzle is not overlong and stands in pleasing proportion to the skull in Miniature Spitz and Toy Spitz approximately 2:4 • The cheeks are gently rounded, not protruding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In balance with body • Muzzle rather short, straight, fine free of lippiness, never snipey • Fox like 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wedge – shaped • Foxy in outline • Short- coated • Muzzle should finished rather fine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foxy in outline
Skull	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop : Moderate to marked, never abrupt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is closed • Top of the skull is slightly rounded but not domed • Well – pronounced stop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slightly flat • Large in proportion to muzzle • Little stop – not too pronounced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slightly flat • Large in proportion to muzzle • Free from lippines
Nose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is round, small and pure black, dark brown in brown Spitz. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black pigmentation (and eyes rims) except – self coloured in brown, beaver, blue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should be self coloured in blues and browns • In all other colours - black 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black in white orange and shaded sable • Brown in chocolate • In other colours ma be self coloured • Never parti – coloured or flesh
Eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The eyes are of medium size, longish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dark • Bright 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium size • Oblique in shape 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium sized • Slightly oval

	<p>shape, slightly slanting and dark. The eyelids are black in all shades of colour, dark brown in brown Spitz</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium in size • Almond shaped • Set well into the skull 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not set too wide apart or too close together • Bright • Dark in colour • Eye rims of the blues and browns are self coloured • In all other colors the eye rims must be black 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not full or set too wide apart • Bright • Dark and showing great intelligence • In white orange shaded sable and cream dogs - rims black
Ears	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The small ears are set high and relatively close to each other, triangular and pointed; they are always carried upright, stiff at the tips. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small ears • Set high and carried erect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small • Not set too far apart or too low down • Carried perfectly erect • Covered with soft short hair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relatively small • Not set too wide apart not too low down • Carried perfectly erect
Mouth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The lips are not exaggerated, close fitting to the jaws and do not form any folds to the corner of the mouth. They are completely black in all colours, brown in brown Spitz. • The jaws are normally developed and show a complete scissor bite with 42 teeth, corresponding to the teeth formula of the dog, i.e. the upper teeth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scissors bite • One tooth out of alignment is acceptable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scissors grip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jaws strong • Scissors bite (complete)

	<p>closely overlapping the lower teeth and set square to the jaws. In Miniature-and Toy (Pomeranian) Spitz the lack of a few premolars is tolerated. Pincer-bite is permissible in all varieties of Spitz.</p>			
Neck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The medium length neck is set broadly into the shoulders, slightly arched without throatiness and covered by a thick, profuse coat forming a large ruff. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short Set well into shoulders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rather short Well set in Lion – like Covered with profuse mane and frill of long 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rather short Well set into shoulders
Forequarters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General : Straight, rather broad front. Shoulders : The shoulder-blade is long and well laid back. The upper arm, which is approximately the same length, forms an angle of 90 degrees to the shoulder-blade. The shoulder is well muscled and firmly connected to the brisket. Elbow : The elbow joint is strong, close 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderately muscled The length of the shoulder blade and upper arm are equal Forelegs are straight and parallel to each other Pasterns are straight and strong 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoulders must be clean and laid well back Forelegs must be feathered and perfectly straight Medium length Strength Well balanced in frame Compact in shape Standing well up on toes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoulders clean well laid back Fine boned legs Perfectly straight Medium length in due proportion to size of dog

	<p>fitting to the brisket and turns neither in nor out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forearm : The forearm is of medium length in relation to the body, sturdy and completely straight. The back of the forearm is well feathered. • Pastern :The strong, medium length front pastern stands at an angle of 20 degrees from the vertical. 			
Body	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topline : The topline starts at the tips of the erectly carried prick-ears and merges in a gentle curve with the short, straight back. The bushy, sweeping tail, which partially covers the back, rounds off the silhouette. • The high withers drop imperceptibly into the shortest possible, straight, firm back. • Loin : Short-coupled, broad and strong • Croup : The croup is 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short back with a level topline • Compact body • Well ribbed with brisket reaching the elbow • Neck and head carried proud and high • Height from elbows to withers approximately equals height from ground to elbows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short back • Compact body • Well ribbed and rounded • Chest must be fairly deep 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back short • Compact • Well ribbed up, • Barrel well rounded • Chest fairly deep – not too wide

	<p>broad and short, not falling away</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chest : The deep chest is well sprung, the forechest well developed. • Lower line : The brisket reaches as far back as possible; the belly has only a slight tuck up. 			
Hindquarters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General : The hindquarters are very muscular and abundantly feathered to the hocks. The hind legs stand straight and parallel. • Upper and lower thigh : Upper and lower thigh are of about equal length. • Stifle : The stifle joint is strong with only moderate angulation and is turned neither in nor out in movement. • Metatarsal (Hock) : The hock is of medium length, very strong and vertical to the ground. • Hind feet : The hind 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angulation of the hindquarters balances that of the forequarters • Buttocks are well behind the set of the tail • Moderately muscled with stifles that are moderately bent • Hocks are perpendicular to the ground • Straight legs parallel to each other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well feathered down to the hocks • Fine bone and free in action • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine boned • Legs neither cow – hocked nor wide behind • Medium angulation

	feet are as small as possible, tightly closed with well arched toes, so called cat feet. The pads are coarse. The colour of nails and pads is as dark as possible.			
Feet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front feet : The front feet are as small as possible, round and closed, so called cat feet, with well arched toes. Toe-nails and pads are black in all shades of colour, but dark brown in brown dogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well- arched • Compact • Turn neither in nor out • Stands well up on his toes • Dewclaws may be removed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trimmed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small • Compact • Cat - like
Tail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tail is set on high and of medium length. It reaches upwards and rolls forward over the back, straight from the root. It lies firmly over the back and is covered with very bushy hair. A double curl at tip of tail is tolerated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plumed tail • Lies flat and straight on the back • Covered with long harsh spreading straight hair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turned over the back and carried flat • Set high • Profusely covered with long spreading hair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High set • Turned over back • Carried flat and straight • Profusely covered with long , harsh spreading hair
Gait	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The German Spitz moves straight ahead with good drive, fluid and springy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smooth, free • Balanced and vigorous • Good reach in his forequarters and 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free moving • Brisk • buoyant

		<p>strong drive with his hindquarters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each rear leg moves in line with the foreleg on the same side • To achieve balance legs converge slightly inward toward a center line beneath his body • Rear and front legs are thrown neither in nor out • Topline remains level 		
Coat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The German Spitz has a double coat : Long, straight, stand off top coat and short, thick, cotton-wool-like undercoat. • Head, ears, front side of front and hind legs and the feet are covered by short, thick (velvety) hair. The rest of the body has a long rich coat. Not wavy, curly or corded, not parted on the back. • Neck and shoulders are covered by a thick mane. The backside of the front legs is well 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double coat • Undercoat; soft and dense • outercout; long, straight, glistening, harsh in texture • hair is abundant from the neck and foreparts of shoulders and chest forming frill • the head and leg coat is tightly packed, shorter in length than of the body • the forequarters are well – feathered to the hock 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two coats an under and outer coat • undercoat: soft fluffy • outercout: long perfectly straight, glistening, covering the whole body • Abundant around the neck and forepart of the shoulders • texture: harsh to touch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two coats (undercoat and outer coat) • undercoat: soft, fluffy • outer (long, perfectly straight, harsh in texture, covering whole body) • very abundant round neck and foreparts, thighs and hindlegs well feathered to hocks

	feathered; the hind legs have ample feathering from croup to hocks. The tail is bushy.			
Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toy Spitz/Pomeranian 20 cm +/- 2 cm • Weight : Each variety of German Spitz should have a weight corresponding to its size 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,3 kg – 3,17 kg (1,8 kg – 2,7 kg) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • show dogs: 1 –3 kg (1,8- 2,7 kg) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dog: 1,8 – 2 kg • bitches: 2-2,5 kg