

Samoyed Standard

General appearance

The Samoyed, being essentially a working dog, should present a picture of beauty, alertness and strength, with agility, dignity and grace. The Samoyed should not be long of body, but muscular, allowing liberty, with a deep chest, strong neck, straight front and especially strong loins. Samoyed should both give the appearance of being capable of great endurance but free of coarseness.

Males should be masculine in appearance and deportment without unwarranted aggressiveness.

Females should be feminine in appearance without weakness of structure or apparent softness of temperament.

Weight

Males - 55 to 65 lbs.

Females - 45 to 55 lbs.

Height

Males - 21 to 23-1/2 inches at the withers (top of the shoulders.)

Females - 19 to 21 inches at the withers.



Coat

The Samoyed is a double coated dog. The body should be well covered with an undercoat of soft, short, thick, close wool with longer and harsh "guard" hair growing through it to form the outer coat. The coat should glisten with a silver sheen.

Color

Samoyeds should be pure white, white and biscuit, cream or all biscuit.

General temperament

Intelligent, gentle, loyal, adaptable, alert, full of action, eager to serve, friendly but conservative, not distrustful or shy, not overly aggressive.

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