COAT. COLOR.

#### & GROOMIMG

- Body has tight, ring-shaped curls, that should be felt down to skin. Hair must be long enough to express curl, assess texture, and should not exceed 1.5" in a curled state, except on the head as noted below.
- Head has longer, looser curls with abundant eyebrows, whiskers & bristly beard. Ear flaps have loose, wavy curls with edges trimmed to the leather.
- Coat color can be off-white, white with brown or orange patches, brown roan, orange roan, brown, orange or sable with or without white. Tan markings in varying shades are allowed. Colors often fade as an adult, and can appear as silvery/gray roan. All above color traits are acceptable.



- Pigmentation harmonizes with coat color ranging from dark pink to dark brown. Lack of pigment on nose or eye rims should be faulted.
- Grooming should be uniform, following the silhouette of the Lagotto, and be "rustic." Sculpted or blownout should be severely penalized. Hair must be sufficient length to assess curl.

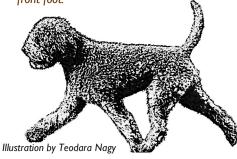




Excessive Grooming (head & leg on left)

#### MOVEMENT

- Energetic trot with **moderate** reach & drive.
- Lively and balanced, tail upright should not tip over past the loin.
- At a trot, rear foot covers but not pass the footprint of front foot.



## THE LAGOTTO HEAD





Strong under jaw should form upside down semi-circle. **Nose** is large with wide, mobile nostrils & pronounced median groove. Nasal bone is straight; moderate stop has distinct furrow between the eyes.

**Eyes** are round & irises range from ochre to hazel to dark brown. Eye rim color is light to dark & varies with coat color. **Ears** are triangular, set just above the eyes and cover ~25% of muzzle when pulled forward.

**Bite** is scissor or level—<u>reverse scissor is acceptable</u>.

# **Disqualifications**

- ♦ **SIZE:** Dogs under 16.5" or over 19.5" Bitches under 15.5" or over 18.5"
- BITE: Overshot or pronounced undershot, so much so that upper and lower incisors do NOT touch.
- **COAT:** Smooth or straight (Note: Over-groomed, blown or sculpted coats should be severely penalized).
- **COLOR:** Black hair or pigment; patches of gray coat NOT associated with natural fading.



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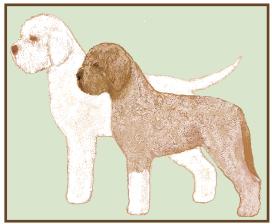
**Breed Standard Study Guide** 

To suit revision March 31, 2020

Lagotto Romagnolo is an ancient breed that is keen, loyal, affectionate, easy to train, and powerfully built with endurance to work tirelessly in challenging terrains. Purpose bred for hunting the prized, elusive, underground truffle.

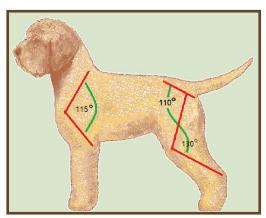


#### SIZE & SUBSTANCE



Dogs: 16.5" - 19.5" height at shoulder, 28-35 pounds Bitches: 15.5"- 18.5"height at shoulder, 24-31 pounds Lagotti should be SQUARE with moderate bone.

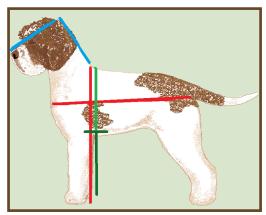
# FOREQUARTERS & HINDQUARTERS



Shoulder Angle between Scapula & Humerus: ~115° Hip Angle between Pelvis & Femur: ~110° Stifle Angle should be more open: ~130°.

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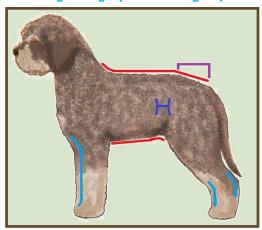
#### PROPORTIONS



<u>SQUARE</u>: Measured from Highest Point of Shoulder to the ground should be equivalent from Prosternum to Point of Ischium.

Legs are slightly more than half the height to the top of the shoulder. Body depth to elbow is 44% + Leg Length from elbow is 56% = Total Height(100%).

Neck length is slightly less than length of the head..

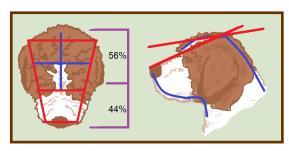


Straight Back. Slightly Sloping Croup.
Loin short-coupled & as wide as it is long.
Slight Tuck-up at Flank.
Vertical Forelegs & Rear Pasterns.

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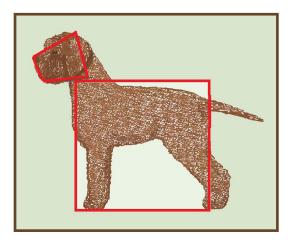
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#### THE HEAD



Backskull & Muzzle are wedge-shaped. Backskull length = width at widest point at zygomatic arches. Muzzle length is 44% of total length of head, slightly shorter than length of backskull (56%). Slightly divergent planes between skull & muzzle.

### **BODY SHAPE**



**Profile View:** Body should be a **Wedge over a Square.** Head should be a broad, blunted wedge.
Muzzle is also a wide wedge with a blunt profile.

