

## **Standards for the Bull Mastiff**

General Appearance:	Symmetrical build with an alert, powerful stance.
Head:	Large, square skull with the ears set high, wide and level with occiput and cheeks. The forehead is flat with a moderate stop. Dark eyes are set with muzzle width apart with furrows in between. Black nose, wide nostrils and a dark mask
Body:	Solid deep broad chest with the ribs well sprung. The back is short and level. The forelegs are muscular, straight, and set wide apart. The wide set muscular hinds have a well developed 2 <sup>nd</sup> thigh.
Color:	Short dense coat of fawn or brindle, with the exception of a small white crest on chest the color white is undesirable.
Size:	Females- 24 to 26 inches //100 to 120 pounds Males- 25 to 27 inches // 110 to 130 pounds
Temperament:	This dog of the mastiff group hails from Northern England. It was originally bred as a gamekeepers assistant, to ward off, and-or stay poachers; by crossing the Bulldog and the Mastiff. Its territorial nature, coupled with its calm intellect; makes for a loyal family protector and companion.