



SOUTHERN AFRICAN SHOW POULTRY ORGANISATION BREED STANDARDS

SCOTS DUMPY



ORIGIN: Great Britain
CLASSIFICATION: Light breed: Soft feather
EGG COLOUR: White (Sitters)
MASSES:

Male: 3.2 kg
Female: 2.7 kg

This breed has been bred in Scotland for more than a hundred years. The birds are known also as Bakies, Crawlers and Creepers. Fowls, having identical dumpy characters, have been described as early as 1678. The female of the breed is considered an ideal sitter and mother.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

THE MALE

- Carriage:** Heavy, with a waddling gait, the extreme shortness of its legs giving the bird the appearance of 'swimming on dry land'. Shortness of leg alone should not constitute the breed's claim to notice. The large, low, heavy body, and other points of excellence must be possessed also.
- Body:** Body: square. Back: broad and flat. Breast: deep. Wings of medium size and neatly carried. Tail: full and flowing; sickles: well arched.
- Head:** Fine. Beak: strong and well curved. Eyes: large and clear. Comb: single or rose, the former preferred. Single comb: medium size, upright and straight, free from side sprigs, and the back following the line of the skull, evenly serrated on top. Rose comb: medium size, straight and firmly set, full of fine work or spikes, level on top, and narrowing behind to a distinct peak following the line of the skull and not sticking up. Face: smooth. Earlobes: small and close to the neck. Wattles: medium size.
- Neck:** Of fair length, in keeping with the size of the body, and covered with flowing hackle.

Legs and Feet: Legs very short, the shanks not exceeding 3,75cm. Toes: four, well spread.

THE FEMALE

The general characteristics are similar to those of the male, allowing for the natural sexual differences.

SERIOUS DEFECTS

White ear-lobes. Yellow or feathered shanks or feet. Long legs. Any deformity.

COLOUR

MALE AND FEMALE

Plumage: There is no fixed plumage colour, but the varieties chiefly exhibited are black, cuckoo, dark, and silver grey, the last three being similar to those varieties of the Dorking. Cuckoo to be light grey with dark grey.

Eyes: Red.

Comb, face, wattles and ear-lobes: Bright red.

Beak, legs and feet: White, except in the black variety where they should be black or slate and in the cuckoo mottled.

SCALE OF POINTS	
Type	40
Size	20
Head	15
Condition	15
Colour	10
TOTAL	100