



# British Pig Association



## Standards of Excellence

### BERKSHIRE

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| <u>CHARACTER</u>     | A combination of the following definitions denoting type, quality, breeding and masculinity in the case of boars, and femininity in the case of sows and gilts.                  |
| <u>HEAD</u>          | Fine, face dished, snout of medium length, wide between the eyes and ears. Ears fairly large, carried erect or slightly inclined forward and fringed with fine hair. Jowl light. |
| <u>NECK</u>          | Fine, evenly set on shoulders, free from wrinkles and free from crest.   |
| <u>SHOULDERS</u>     | Fine and well sloping. Special notice to be taken regarding this point in the case of females.   |
| <u>LEGS AND FEET</u> | Straight and strong, set wide apart, standing well on toes and a good walker.  |
| <u>BACK</u>          | Long and level. Tail set high. Good spring of rib.   |
| <u>HAMS</u>          | Broad, wide and deep to hock.  |
| <u>BELLY</u>         | Straight underline, with at least twelve (preferably 14) sound, evenly spaced and well placed teats starting well forward.   |
| <u>BONE</u>          | Well developed in males and fine in females.   |
| <u>FLESH</u>         | Firm without excessive fat.  |
| <u>SKIN</u>          | Fine and free from wrinkles.   |
| <u>HAIR</u>          | Long, fine and plentiful, with absence of mane especially in females.  |
| <u>COLOUR</u>        | Black, with white on face, feet and tip of tail only.  |
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| <u>OBJECTIONS</u>    | Crooked jaw. In-bent knees. "Rose" in coat.  |