



# British Pig Association

## Standards of Excellence



### DUROC

Emphasis should be placed on the muscling of the breed and also its coat strength as this is both a terminal sire and an outdoor breed thriving in extremes of weather.

<u>HEAD AND FACE</u>	Head small in proportion to size of body, wide between eyes, face nicely dished and tapering well down to the nose; surface smooth and even.
<u>EYES</u>	Lively, bright and prominent
<u>EARS</u>	Medium, moderately thin, pointing forward, downward and slightly outward, carrying a slight curve.
<u>NECK</u>	Short, thick and very deep and slightly arching.
<u>JOWL</u>	Broad, full and neat.
<u>SHOULDERS</u>	Moderately broad, very deep and full, carrying thickness well down and not extending above line of back.
<u>CHEST</u>	Large, very deep, filled full behind shoulders, breast-bone extending well forward so as to be readily seen.
<u>BACK AND LOIN</u>	Back medium in breadth, straight or slightly arching, carrying even width from shoulder to ham, giving impression of a slightly low set tail, surface even and smooth.
<u>LEG AND FEET</u>	Of medium length, with good strong bone (especially boars).
<u>SIDES AND RIBS</u>	Sides very deep, medium in length, level between shoulders and hams. Ribs long, strong and sprung in proportion to width of shoulders and hams.
<u>BELLY AND FLANK</u>	Flank well down to lower line of sides. Underline straight with a least 12 sound teats placed well forward.
<u>HAMS AND RUMP</u>	Broad, full and well let down to the hock. Rumps should have a round slope from loin to root of tail.
<u>HAIR</u>	Thick in winter, fine in summer, no coarse and curly hair.
<u>GAIT</u>	Free and fluid.
<u>COLOUR</u>	Skin - White or pink, at worst light grey. Hair - Auburn.
<u>DISQUALIFICATION:-</u>	Form - Ears standing erect, small cramped chest, and crease back of shoulders and over back so as to cause a depression in the back easily noticed, seriously deformed legs, or badly broken down feet.  Size - Very small, or not two-thirds large enough as given by the standard.  Hair - White in any of the hair is a disqualification.