

Instructions for measuring Poodle and German Spitz

Measuring is part of the judging and should be taken seriously, it is important that the dog is measured to the correct variety. An open studbook is important for the breeds therefore it must be possible to measure the dogs.

There are two types of measuring equipment, a measuring stick or a measure/wicket. Both varieties are used for measuring and remeasuring. A size variety should be mentioned, no exact centimetre measure.

Please check that the measures/wickets are marked with size, if not, check the size. Are there no tape measures or measuring sticks, most smartphones have an *app* – *Mätverktyg* (*measuring tool*).

Measuring is performed before the judging starts. The judge measures the dog and decides the size variety. The dog should be measured at every show until a final measure is decided. This occurs at the first show after the dog has become 15 months of age.

<p>Poodle</p> <p>When measuring only two measures/wickets should be used, 28 cm and 35 cm.</p> <p>Using the 28 cm measure/wicket and the dog fits under it, e.g. both legs of the measure/wicket reach the table, the dog is a Toy Poodle. If the measure/wicket is hanging in the air, it is a Miniature or Medium Poodle.</p> <p>Using a 35 cm measure/wicket and the dog fits under it, e.g. both legs of the measure/wicket reach the table, the dog is a Miniature or Toy Poodle. If the measure/wicket is hanging in the air, it is a Miniature or Medium Poodle.</p>	<p>Excerpts from the Poodle Standard:</p> <p>Toy Poodle: Over 24 cm (with a tolerance of -1 cm) up to 28 cm (sought after ideal: 25 cm). Disqualifying fault: Under 23 cm</p> <p>Miniature Poodle: Over 28 cm up to 35 cm.</p> <p>Medium Poodle: Over 35 cm up to 45 cm</p> <p>Standard Poodle: Over 45 cm up to 60 cm with a tolerance of +2 cm. Disqualifying fault: over 62 cm.</p>
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<p>German Spitz</p> <p>When measuring only three measures/wickets should be used, 24, 30 and 40 cm, the smallest (18 cm) will be put aside.</p> <p>Using the 24 cm measure/wicket and the dog fits under it, e.g. both legs of the measure/wicket reach the table, the dog</p>	<p>Excerpts from the standard of German spitzes:</p> <p>Grossspitz 45 cm +/- 5 cm Mittelspitz 35 cm +/- 5 cm Kleinspitz 27 cm +/- 3 cm Pomeranian 21 cm +/- 3 cm</p>
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is a Pomeranian. If the measure/wicket is hanging in the air the dog is one of the larger varieties.

Using the 30 cm measure/wicket and the dog fits under it, e.g. **both** legs of the measure/wicket reach the table the dog is a Pomeranian or a Kleinspitz. If the measure/wicket is hanging in the air, it is a Mittelspitz or a Grossspitz.

Using the 40 cm measure/wicket and it is hanging in the air the dog is a Grossspitz. If **both** legs of the measure/wicket reach the table, the dog is one of the smaller varieties.

Nota bene: When moving a variety, Grossspitz can only be black, white or brown.