

CONFORMATION CLASSES

WHAT IS CONFORMATION?

Conformation in dogs refers solely to the externally visible details of a dog's structure and appearance, as defined in detail by each dog breed's written breed standard. A dog that conforms to most of the items of description in its individual breed standard is said to have good conformation. There are no fixed rules for dog conformation, as dogs are the most variable in appearance of any animals. Instead, conformation in dogs is based on the dog type from which the breed developed, along with many details that have been added to the breed standard for purposes of differentiation from other breeds; for working reasons or for enhancing the beauty of the animals from the viewpoint of the fanciers who wrote the breed standards.

TCKC, in association with Corn Belt Kennel Club, offers drop-in Conformation classes each Thursday evening from 6-8 pm. Professional handlers from Corn Belt Kennel Club will share their expertise in preparing your dog for show ring experience. Conformation classes DO NOT meet between Thanksgiving and New Year's. The cost is \$10 per dog/handler team per evening.