LION CLIP (wavy coat variety illustrated)

“As soon as the coat grows long, the middle part and hindquarters, as well as the muzzle, are clipped.”

Head is scissored to blend with body coat. Appearance should be a broad, domed skull. Hair on a wavy head tends to part in the center, giving a more casual appearance than that of a curly head.

The entire muzzle is clipped with a blade ranging from #10 to #4, depending on the individual preference, from the inside corner of the eye to the nose. There is a definite stop. Clip from outside corner of eye down the cheek and under the jaw. Do not clip down the neck or under the ear.

Coat on front half of body is scissored to follow the conformation of the dog. At least 3” long all over.

Either coat type (wavy or curly) may be shown in either Lion Clip or Retriever Clip. “No discrimination will be made against the correct presentation of a dog in either Lion Clip or Retriever Clip.”

Scissor legs to blend with chest and body. Feet are trimmed somewhat rounded and blended with legs.

Trim ear to jawline to follow shape of ear. Hair on ears should be scissored to blend with hair on head.

Begin clipping at the midpoint between the forechest and the ischium, using blade ranging from #10 to #4, depending on individual preference.

Leave hair full length on the last 1/4 to 1/3 of the tail.

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