

Four Belgian Breed Standards DQ/LISTED FAULT COMPARISON CHART

<p>FAULTS, GENERAL: When taking faults or deviations of the ideal into consideration, all standards essentially state (as Malinois standard): “The degree to which a dog is penalized should depend upon the extent to which the dog deviates from the standard and the extent to which the particular fault would actually affect the working ability of the dog.”</p>				
<p>SIZE Correct for all: males 24-26”, females 22-24”</p>	<p>LAEKENOIS DQ Males <23 >27 Females <20½ >25</p>	<p>MALINOIS DQ Males <23 >27 Females <21 25</p>	<p>SHEEPDOG DQ Males <22½ >27½ Females <20½ >25½</p>	<p>TERVUREN DQ Males <23 >26½ Females <21 >24½</p>
<p>EARS: Correct for all: triangular shaped, high set ears. DQ for all standards: hanging ears. The Malinois standard also DQs semi prick ears.</p>				
<p>EYES: correct for all: brown, preferably dark brown and slightly almond shaped. The Tervuren standard lists FAULT: light, yellow or round eyes.</p>				
<p>BITE Correct for all are scissors or level (even) bites, full complement of strong white teeth, evenly set.</p>	<p>LAEKENOIS DQ Four or more missing teeth. Undershot or overshot such that contact with two or more upper incisors lose contact with two or more lower incisors. (loss of contact caused by short incisors shall not be judged as undershot in an otherwise correct bite). SERIOUS absence of 2 premolars or molars FAULT Over/under (see DQ) <i>1 missing premolar (PM1) not to be penalized</i></p>	<p>MALINOIS DQ undershot in which 2 or more of the upper incisors lose contact with 2 or more of the lower incisors SERIOUS One or more missing teeth FAULT Over/under (see DQ)</p>	<p>SHEEPDOG “Should not be overshot or undershot” (NO DQ)</p>	<p>TERVUREN DQ undershot such that there is a complete loss of contact by all incisors. SERIOUS Four or more missing teeth FAULT overshot and undershot (see DQ) Missing teeth (4 or more are SERIOUS) <i>Broken or discolored teeth should not be penalized</i></p>
<p>TAIL, FOR ALL: DQ cropped or stump</p>				

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COAT	LAEKENOIS SEVERLY PENALIZE: silky or soft or lacking in undercoat			TERVUREN FAULT: wavy or curly hair
COLOR	<p>LAEKENOIS Correct: All shades of red to fawn to grayish with traces of black – considerable variation</p> <p>DQ solid white markings elsewhere than on tips of toes, chest, or frosting on muzzle</p>	<p>MALINOIS Correct: Rich fawn to mahogany with black tips, mask and ears black, underparts, tail breeches are lighter fawn. Color is finishing point, not as important as structure or temperament.</p> <p>NO DQ</p> <p>FAULT washed out fawn color on body. White markings except tips of toes and small on prosternum.</p>	<p>SHEEPDOG Correct: Black. White permitted as small/moderate patch or strip on forechest, between footpads and tips of hind toes, frost on chin or muzzle</p> <p>DQ any color other than black. Reddening due to climatic conditions on an otherwise correct coat is not grounds for DQ.</p> <p>FAULT white on tips of front toes</p>	<p>TERVUREN Correct: Rich fawn to mahogany with black overlay is preferred. Underparts of body, tail and breeches are cream, gray, or light beige.</p> <p>DQ solid black, solid liver or any area of white except as specified on the chest, tips of toes, chin and muzzle</p> <p>SERIOUS absence of blackening in mature dogs. Face with complete absence of black</p> <p>FAULT predominately pale, washed out cream or gray Blackening in patches</p>
TEMPERAMENT	<p>LAEKENOIS: SEVERELY PENALIZE: extreme shyness MALINOIS: STRONGLY PENALIZE: faulty temperament</p>			