



SOUTHERN AFRICAN SHOW POULTRY ORGANISATION BREED STANDARDS

RUMPLESS GAME



ORIGIN:	Great Britain
CLASSIFICATION:	Light Breed: Hard feather
EGG COLOUR:	White, sometimes tinted

MASSES:

LARGE FOWL

Male:	2.3 – 2.7 kg
Female:	1.8 – 2.3 kg

BANTAMS

Male:	620 – 740 g
Female:	510 – 620 g

As is common with any rumpless breed, the parson's nose or 'Caudal Appendage' (uropygium) is missing. Foreign breeds like the Barbu d'Anvers has a rumpless version called Barbu du Grubbe. The Barbu d'Uccle has the Barbu d'Everberg as its rumpless version and, even in Japan, there is a Rumpless Yokohama, funny though it may sound, with its long saddle hackle making it feasible. A genetic accident with Old English Game many years ago probably created our own Rumpless Game. The breed, though not popular in the bantam form, is often seen in large fowl.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

MALE

Carriage: Bold and upright.

Type: Body: short and small. Back: steeply sloping. Breast: full and prominent. Wings: large and long. Tail: completely absent, the whole of the lower back being covered with the saddle feather.

Head:	Small and tapering. Beak: rather large. Eyes: large and bold. Comb: single, small and thin, upright. Ear-lobes and wattles: fine, small and thin.
Neck:	Long and upright; hackle: close and wiry.
Legs and Feet:	Legs: strong and of medium length. Thighs: short, round and muscular. Toes: four, long, straight and tapering.
Plumage:	Hard and close.

FEMALE

The general characteristics are similar to those of the male, allowing for the natural sexual differences.

COLOUR

Plumage colour is of secondary importance in this breed, and almost any recognized 'Game' colour is acceptable. Face, comb wattles and ear-lobes should be bright red.

BANTAM

Rumpless Game Bantams should follow exactly the large fowl standard.

SCALE OF POINTS	
Carriage and type	40
Head	20
Feather / condition	20
Legs and feet	20
TOTAL	100