# BODY CONDITION SCORE
## MEDIUM DOG

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## TOO THIN

**1**
- Ribs, lumbar vertebrae, pelvic bones and all bony prominences evident from a distance
- No discernible body fat
- Obvious loss of muscle mass

**2**
- Ribs, lumbar vertebrae and pelvic bones easily visible
- No palpable fat
- Some bony prominences visible from a distance
- Minimal loss of muscle mass

**3**
- Ribs easily palpable and may be visible with no palpable fat
- Tops of lumbar vertebrae visible; pelvic bones becoming prominent
- Obvious waist and abdominal tuck

## IDEAL

**4**
- Ribs easily palpable with minimal fat covering
- Waist easily noted when viewed from above
- Abdominal tuck evident

**5**
- Ribs palpable without excess fat covering
- Waist observed behind ribs when viewed from above
- Abdomen tucked up when viewed from side

## ABOVE IDEAL

**6**
- Ribs palpable with slight excess of fat covering
- Waist is discernible when viewed from above but is not prominent
- Abdominal tuck apparent

## OVERWEIGHT
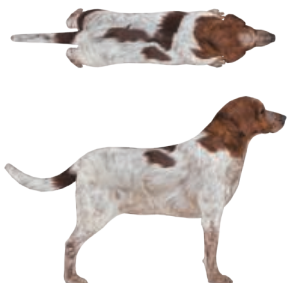
**7**
- Ribs palpable with difficulty; heavy fat cover
- Noticeable fat deposits over lumbar area and base of tail
- Waist absent or barely visible
- Abdominal tuck may be absent

## OBESE

**8**
- Ribs not palpable under very heavy fat cover or palpable only with significant pressure
- Heavy fat deposits over lumbar area and base of tail
- Waist absent
- No abdominal tuck
- Obvious abdominal distension may be present

**9**
- Massive fat deposits over thorax, spine and base of tail
- Waist and abdominal tuck absent
- Fat deposits on neck and limbs
- Obvious abdominal distension