

Grooming the Body

Violet: This cut is the shortest, here I usually cut with the blade of 0.4 mm. This is the posterior part of the dog, around of anus, the lower part of the tail, the posterior and interior face of the hambs. Also the abdomen.

Green: Here I cut with the blade of 3 mm, a little bit longer than the violet parts, but also here seems very short. The upper line and the two lateral sides of the tail, the front of the chest, and the lower line of the thorace.

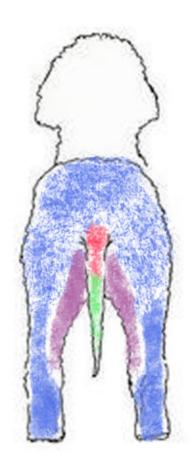
Red: Areas are short border-lands, it's important to not to make too abrupt changes on the coat length. One is on the upper line of the tail to make gradual transition, without making the tail too low inserted, the other is between neck and head.

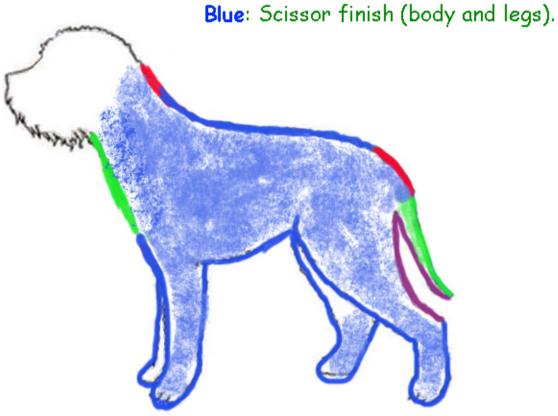
Blue: A coat of 1-2 cm, cut with scissor. The entire body and legs.



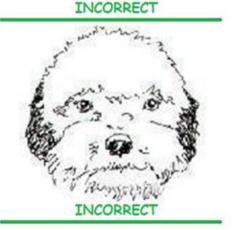
Green: A bit longer than the Violet parts

Red: Short border-lands









Grooming the Head

The picture on the right side is the ideal expression of the head.

Ears: Not to look like a poodle, don't leave long the hair on the ears! Poodles are usually cut down the hair on the base of ears and leave long on the flat part, it must be reversed on the Lagotto! Short on the top of the ear, and gradually longer in the direction of the base, this way the hair of the head near to the base of ear and the hair on the base of ear must be equal.

The pictured on the left side:

Green is the shortest part (0,5-0,8 cm), then a transition with **blue** (1-2 cm), and with yellow the hair of the head (3-4cm).

Cranial: length approximately 3-4 cm, curly. **Mouse part**: on the lateral side and bear 4-5 cm, don't cut down the hair on the upper line of the mouse, another typical fault.

Under the eyes: 3-4 cm, curly, like on the cranial

Don't cut the hair between the eyes: it makes a very strange expression.

The eyes must be visible, but not cutting down all the hair, only two hole, cavity for the eyes, cutting down the eyebrows. (red lines on the picture)

The areas of the face what are covered with the ears can be cut down to 1 cm, like the body, in this way you can make a good border-land on the lateral part of the neck, between the head and the body.

I usually suggest to don't dry the dog with any dryer, makes the coat very flat, woolly, like a poodle. First must be combed, to don't have any node. Then must be cut down the coat, on these measures. Then must be washed, and after that left to air dry, of course in a hot area, I usually wash them in the evening and they sleep in the room in a box, in the morning they are totally dried and curly. After that it can be put right if it's still necessary with scissor.





