



Hair/Fur Grooming Length Style Guide

Regarding canine breed types that require regular haircuts.

(For example: Poodles, Doodles, Curly/Wavy Coats, Drop Coats, Terriers, Spaniels, and mixes of such.)

The haircut style and length is determined by:

- The current condition of the pet's coat. Every pet is different!
- The pet parents' frequency of salon services. (Typically varying from every 2 to 8 weeks, creating a large variable of difference in style length we can do.)
- The level of at home grooming care commitment. (Brushing daily, weekly, or never.)
- Financial undertaking. (Shorter haircuts are less expensive.)
- The pet's hair type. (Some are more prone to matting than others.)
- Lifestyle. (Puppies, active dogs, and dogs who swim are more prone to matting, thus longer hairstyles for such lifestyles are very difficult to maintain.)
- The pet's tolerance to the grooming process. (A shorter haircut may be required for easier maintenance.)

Important Information to be noted:

- Long hair and fluffy styles (hair/fur over 1") require hand scissoring to trim and are more work when washing, blowing out and brushing the additional coat. We charge \$1/ min for hand scissoring coats over 1" long and additional fees for the bathing & brushing the additional hair. The average cost is \$145 for a smaller breed and \$200 for a medium to large sized dog.
- At home maintenance, lifestyle, and activity of the dog are still variable factors in cost and appropriate haircut length/scheduling frequently.
- Matting is very painful, can cause skin irritation and incurs additional fees (\$1/min removal).
- *Be Aware, your first haircut at Paws & Anchor may cost more if an overhaul grooming is required versus a regular maintenance trim.*

HAIRCUT LENGTHS - *In order of most expensive (long coats to short coats)...*

Hair/Fur over 1" long

- Incurs a longer amount of time for bathing, blow-out and brushing, plus more product usage, potential extra time resetting a haircut pattern, and high skilled hand scissoring.
- Hair over 1" long is akin to a high maintenance "Show coat".
- This style requires visits every 1-3 weeks pending length and groomer recommendations.
- Daily at home brushing all over the entire body, legs, head and tail (plus combing after) is required.

Hair/Fur 3/4"-1" long

- Visits every 3-5 weeks

Hair/Fur 3/8"-3/4" long

- Visits every 5-8 weeks

Hair/Fur under 1/2" long

- Visits every 8-10 weeks
- This is a non-negotiable length if we are matted or have infrequent groomings.
- **POLICY NOTE, in order to continue a relationship with Paws & Anchor, we do not do grooming on dog breed types that are applicable to matting for pet owners who go over 10 weeks between full grooms.**