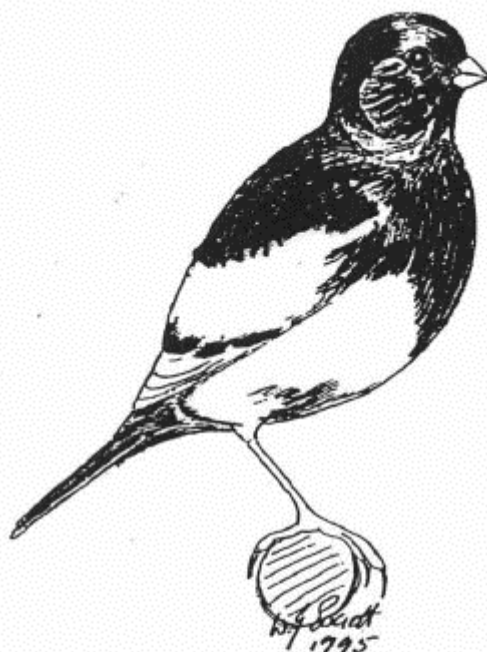


The Fife Standard Notes:

1. The grand essentials of a Fife Fancy are controlled roundness combined with type, quality and natural colour, (that is non colour fed yellow, buff and white ground only) in a diminutive form. When all other points are equal - preference to be given to the bird nearest to the ideal length.
2. Points are the maximum that can be awarded for a feature. But not the maximum it can be penalised for a serious fault - all features must be in balance.
3. Shown in the standard Border Fancy show cage with non-drinker perch moved in one wire - drinker hole may be reduced in size for extra small birds.



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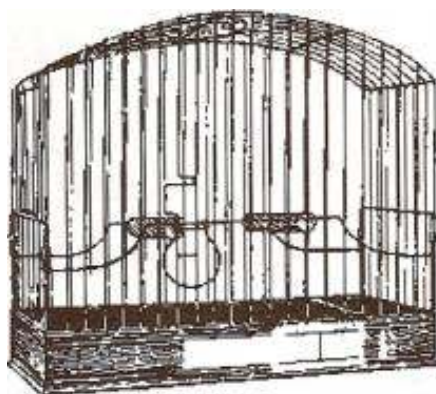
Standard of Excellence

Feature	Description	Points
HEAD:	Small round and neat when viewed from any angle. Dark & bright eyes near the centre. Beak fine.	10
BODY:	Back well filled and nicely rounded but not heavy, the line gradually tapering to the vent.	10
WINGS:	Compact, carried close to the body, meeting at the tips just below root of tail.	10
LEGS:	Points - Medium length showing little thigh. Feet proportionate.	5
PLUMAGE:	Close firm and fine, presenting a smooth glossy silky appearance and free from frill or roughness.	10
TAIL:	Close packed and narrow, nicely rounded and filled in at root.	5
POSITION/ CARRIAGE:	Semi erect standing at about 60-degree angle. Alert and jaunty moving confidently between perches.	10
COLOUR:	Natural rich soft and pure, as level in tint as possible throughout.	10
CONDITION:	Clean and in perfect health.	5
SIZE:	Ideal length 108mm (4¼ inches) or less. Tending towards a diminutive bird.	25
TOTAL		100

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Show Cage

The show cage for the Fife canary is the Dewar show cage. This is the same cage as used for the Border canary except that the perches are 1/2 inch diameter instead of 5/8 inch for the Border and the gap between them is one wire less i.e. position one perch at the drinker hole then count 6 wires and position the second perch.



Overall length	Overall Width	Overall Height	Base	Bottom Rail	Corner Posts	Seed Drawer	Drawer Handle	Drinking Hole	Crossbar	Frame	Filling
12 5/8"	4 3/4"	11" and ends 9"	3/32" thick	1 3/8" wide x 3/16" thick	3 1/4" long x 3/16" sq.	1 1/2" long x 3/4" wide	1/2" x No. 6 round head screw	7/8" long x 3/4" wide	4 1/2" from base inside	16 gauge wire	18 gauge wire

DESCRIPTION OF MARKINGS

CLEAR BIRD	A clear bird is one which has no dark feathers.
TICKED BIRD	One which has not more than one dark mark coverable by a new penny or three dark feathers side by side on wing or tail.
VARIEGATED BIRD	A variegated bird must be less than 50% dark feathers. HEAVILY variegated to be greater than 50% dark feathers and two separate classes are provided.
FOUL BIRD	One which has not more than one light mark coverable by a penny or three light feathers side by side on wing or tail.
SELF BIRD	A self bird must be all dark, ie no light feathers.
Other descriptions:-	
Three Parts Dark - greater than 75% dark feathers , shown in the Heavily Variegated class.	
Grizzle bird -to be shown as variegated in appropriate classes. A grizzle mark smaller than one new penny is shown in the variegated class NOT the ticked class because the grizzle is more than one dark mark.	

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