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# Miniature Schnauzer Grooming Chart

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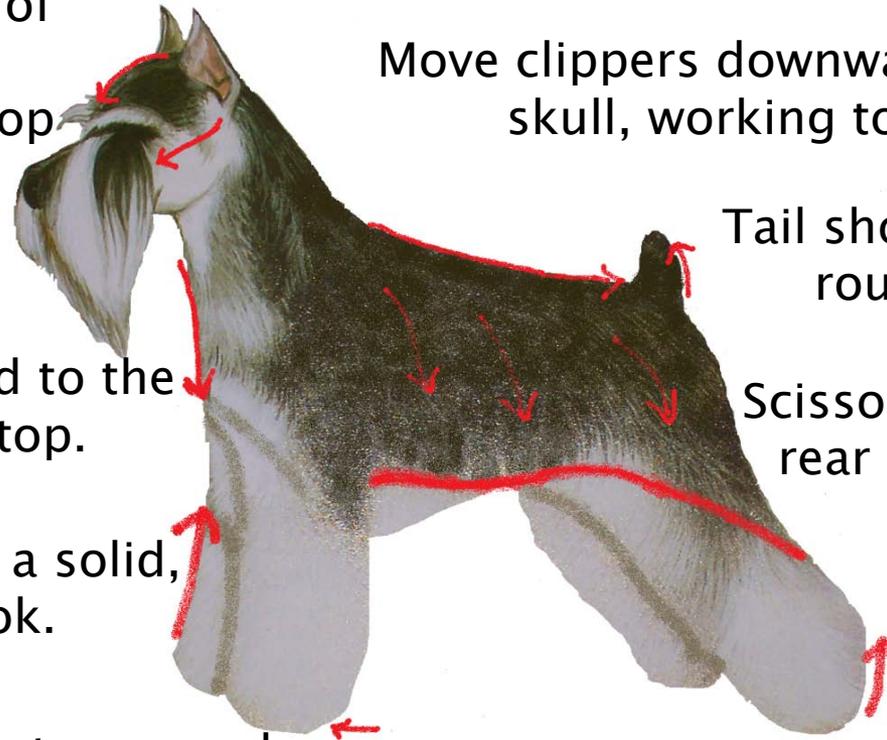
### Grooming Instructions:

- ❖ Be sure your dog is comfortable and safe during the entire process.
- ❖ Brush out all mats and tangles before beginning.
- ❖ Use #8 or #10 blades to clip down the body.
- ❖ Go against the grain of hair when clipping top of skull, cheeks, and throat.
- ❖ Pull all of beard forward to clip the side of neck and cheeks.
- ❖ Eyebrows should be brushed forward and then cut at an angle. Hold hair between your index finger and middle finger; pulling on it gently in order to keep it straight. Cut a neat straight line angled from the middle of the muzzle to the outer corner of eyes.
- ❖ Use scissors to shape legs, underbody, and tail.
- ❖ Pluck out excess hair from inner ears.
- ❖ Trim the beard with scissors (just a wee bit) to keep a nice clean shape.

# Grooming the Miniature Schnauzer

Go against the grain of hair when clipping cheeks, throat, and top of skull.

Move clippers downward from the base of skull, working towards the tail.



Clip chest downward to the shoulders and stop.

Tail should be trimmed and rounded at the end.

Front legs clipped to a solid, full, straight look.

Scissor cut underbody from rear tuck-up and tapering towards front legs.

Trim upwards at a 45 degree angle.

Remove excess hair between pads.

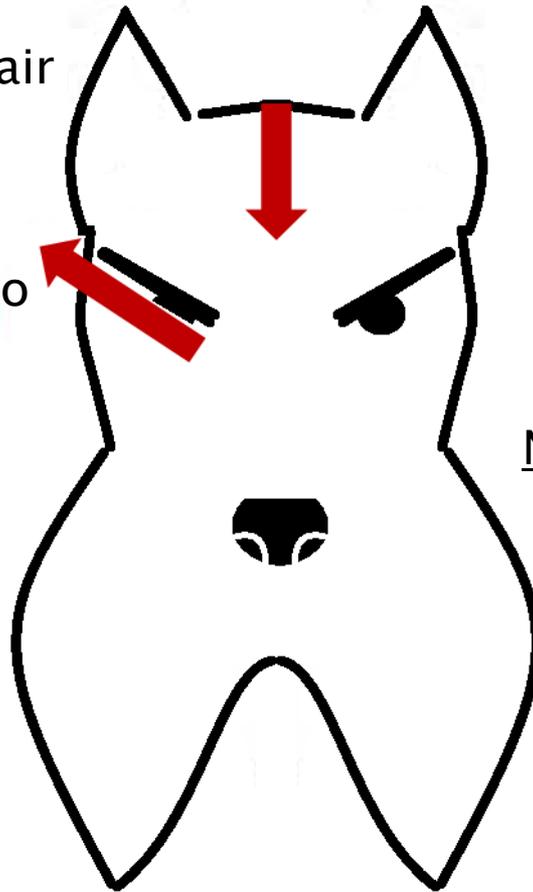
\* Face, legs, and chest furnishings should all be brushed out and free of mats before trimming them with scissors.

# Shaping the Schnauzer Head

Pluck out excess inner ear hair with tweezers.

Cut a straight vertical line to outer corner of eye

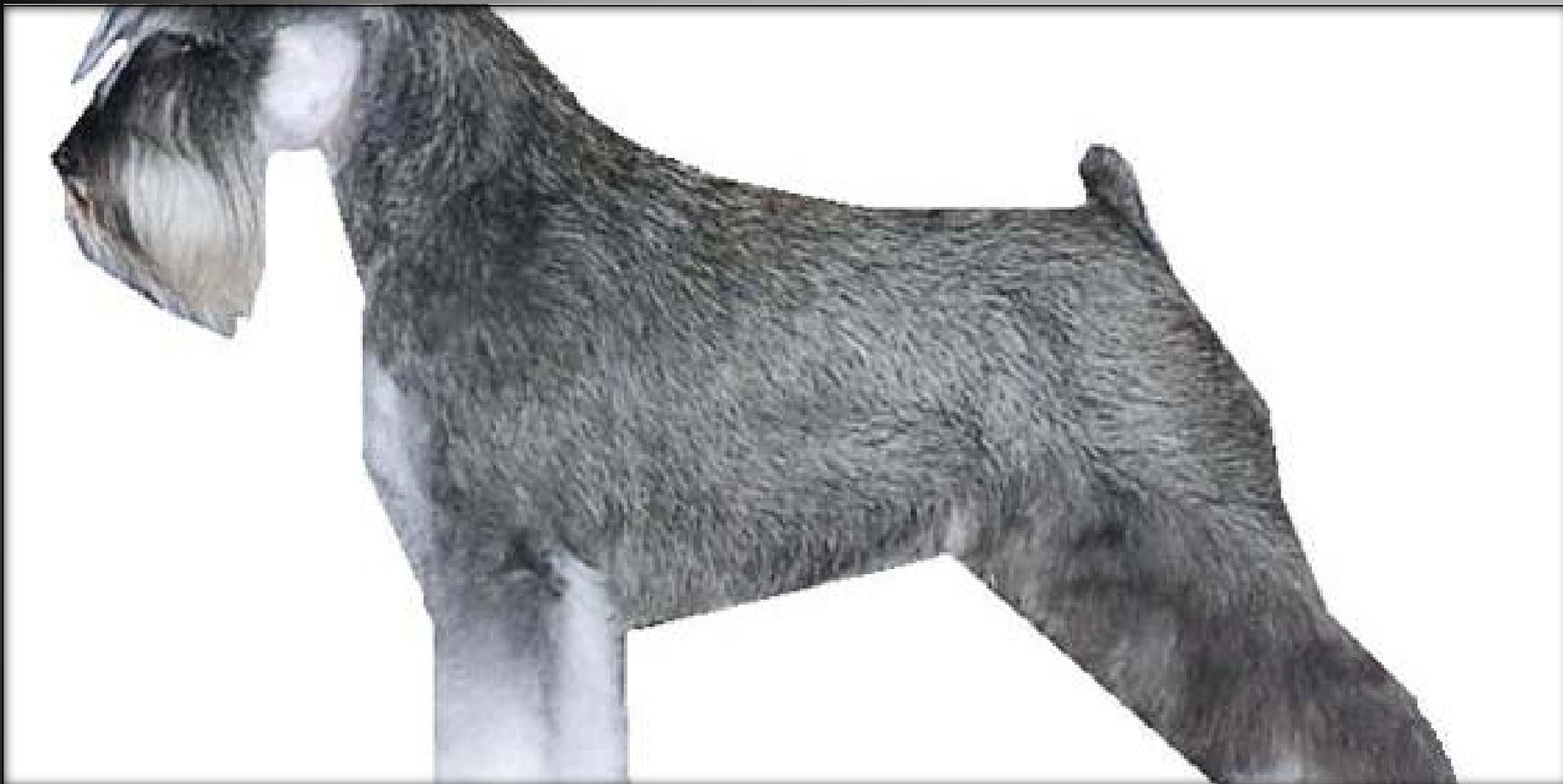
The Schnauzer's head should appear rectangle in shape



Clip hair from the top of the skull against the grain, toward the eyebrows

Note: Never shave the bridge of the nose

Trim the beard up just a bit to shape it being careful not to cut off too much.



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