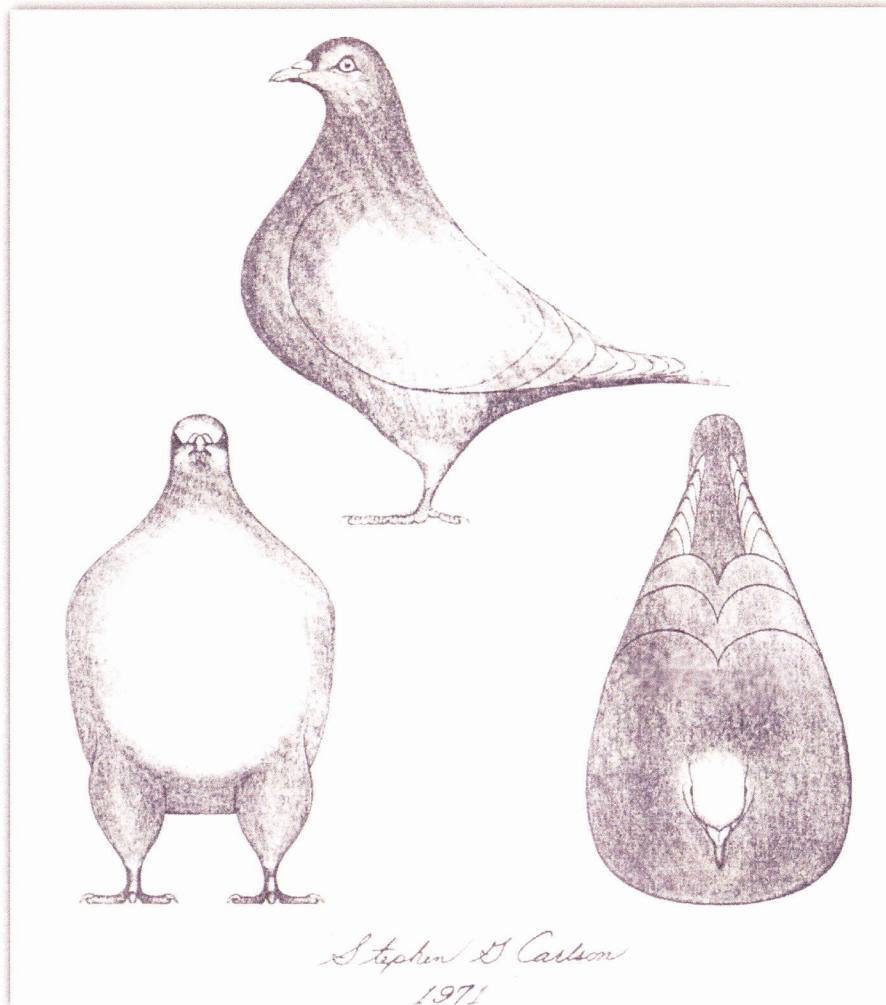


TEXAN PIONEER



DESCRIPTION: The Texan Pioneer is to be a true auto-sexing breed (pure for the faded factor) being a trim, hard bodied utility bird, having a high dressed out to live ratio, and conforming to the standard of perfection drawing as near as possible. The Texan Pioneer, being a utility squabbing breed, it is important that the bird have as small a head and feet as possible, yet be in proportion to the body.

WEIGHTS OF THE BIRDS TO BE AS FOLLOWS:

Young birds 26 to 30 Ounces

Old birds 28 to 32 Ounces

POINT SCORING

BODY (25 PTS.): The Texan Pioneer is to be a stocky, large breasted, solid, firm bodied bird. The length and depth of keel to be approximately 3 5/8" and the width of the breast to exceed the depth and length giving a square appearance.

EYE CERE (5 PTS.): All Texan Pioneers are to have a narrow flesh colored eye cere.

HEAD (10 PTS.): The head of the Texan Pioneer is to be small

but in proportion to the body, be held up and back giving the alert appearance, and is to taper to a "V" toward the beak.

NECK (10 PTS.): The neck of the Texan Pioneer is to be of medium size, not coarse, short and contouring gently into the body.

WINGS (10 PTS.): The wings are to be carried up on the tail and to lay flat (no side board effect) to be held firmly to the body, wing butts to be fully covered, and coverts to cover back completely.

TAIL (10 PTS.): The tail to be approximately 6" long from the back of legs to the tip of the tail. As near as possible to be one feather wide, and carried approximately 3" up from the floor and parallel to the floor. The tail to be approximately 3/4" longer than the wing tips and with as little a "knob" as possible. The Texan Pioneer should feel as though it will slip out of your hands when held properly.

FEET & LEGS (10 PTS.): The Texan Pioneer legs to be as small as possible yet in proportion to the body, wide set and with

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the drum sticks and thighs well fleshed. Toes shall be fine bone and short. Legs to be nearly straight, not to give a squatty appearance.

STATION (CARRIAGE) (10 PTS.): The Texan Pioneer is to be approximately 10 1/2" long and high, to be one of alertness and good health, not flighty, and with the beak carried approximately 3/4" back of the front line of the breast.

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

- A. Under or over weight.
- B. Any damaged or sick birds.
- C. Any that show signs of trimming or plucking.
- D. Any deformities, frill or crest feathers, extra toes, crooked or missing toes, crooked keel, and or crooked beak. •