

## Standards for *Agapornis fischeri* v3.7

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### Physical characteristics

**Acceptable size:** 14.5cm to 15.5cm from the top of the head to the tip of the tail.

**Forehead:** Wide and slightly rounded from the beak to the rear of the head.

**Crown:** Wide and slightly arched crown that flattens off slightly towards the rear.

**Back of the head:** Wide and well filled.

**Neck:** Well filled, short and stocky with no indent or buldge/bump.

**Cheeks:** Nice and full and in harmony with the rest of the head.

**Eyes:** Placed centrally in the head, bright and lively surrounded by a bright un-feathered white eye ring.

**Beak:** Heavily built, undamaged, well retracted, tip of beak faces the chest and the upper beak fits neatly with the lower beak.

**Chest:** Wide and well filled with an elegant, smooth curve that follows the curves of the wings.

**Abdomen:** Flows harmoniously into the extension of the chest.

**Anal region:** Flows harmoniously into the extension of the abdomen.

**Wings:** Sit nicely on the body and the upper tail coverts and all flight feathers are undamaged and not sagging or crossed.

**Shoulders:** Broad

**Legs:** Short and sturdy legs with 2 toes facing forwards and 2 facing backwards. All toes are undamaged and grip the perch securely.

**Nails:** All undamaged, evenly curved and equally coloured.

**Posture:** Elegant, powerful and proud.

**Feathering:** Clean, complete and with a slight shine.

**Tail:** Wedge-shaped where the top is slightly rounded.

**Rump and upper tail coverts:** In a straight line with the tail.

### General judging remarks

- For the areas of the mask with orange-red psittacine an even-as-possible luminous orange (RAL 2005) mask colour is preferred. Not to be overlooked are birds with a minimal yellow wash in the transitional zone of the mask and the green body colour (like in the wildtypes) which although not technically a fault, preference is still given to an evenly coloured luminous orange mask. The luminous orange band on the forehead usually has a slightly more intense colour
- The forehead band is wide to the height of the middle of the eye.
- The colour from the back of the head is described as bronze-green. This is visually dark yellow psittacine with a dark haze/wash. Certainly not black on a red background. The present yellow psittacine dominates here. The colour of the bronze-green back of the head becomes slightly lighter towards the neck.
- The luminous orange colour of the cheeks is separated from the rear of the head and neck inline with the middle of the eyes, so the transitional zone would run through the center of the eyes. The transitional line follows the shortest distance from the middle of the eye to the wing.
- Clear separations are required for the different colours of the head.
- The separation between the cheeks and the chest colour runs in an arch from wing-bend to wing-bend.

- Black spots or dashes on the wings and mantle are a fault.
- The prominent markings on the main tail feathers are almost completely covered by the upper and under tail coverts.
- The 2 central tail feathers do not have a spot marking.
- Between the colour of the rump and the upper tail coverts, no tight separation is required.
- The wax skin of the beak is white and intact.

**Colour name:** green

**International term:** green

**Forehead:** Luminous orange

**Crown:** Bronze-green, lighter in colour towards the neck.

**Cheeks:** Luminous orange with a bronze-green transitional zone towards the neck. This transitional zone follows a line with the middle of the eye.

**Chin, throat and upper chest:** Luminous orange.

**Eyes:** Dark brown with an un-feathered white eye ring.

**Beak:** Red

**Lower chest, flanks, belly and anal region:** green

**Mantle and wing feathers:** Slightly darker than the rest of the body.

**Primary flight feathers:** green outer vane with a black-blue inner vane.

**Wing bend:** yellow

**Rump and upper tail coverts:** violet

**Under tail coverts:** green

**Tail feathers:** The tail feathers are predominantly green and blue towards the end. The secondary tail feathers have a luminous orange-yellow spot marking in the middle. This spot is partially surrounded by a black zone.

**Legs:** Grey.

**Nails:** A shade darker grey than the legs.



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