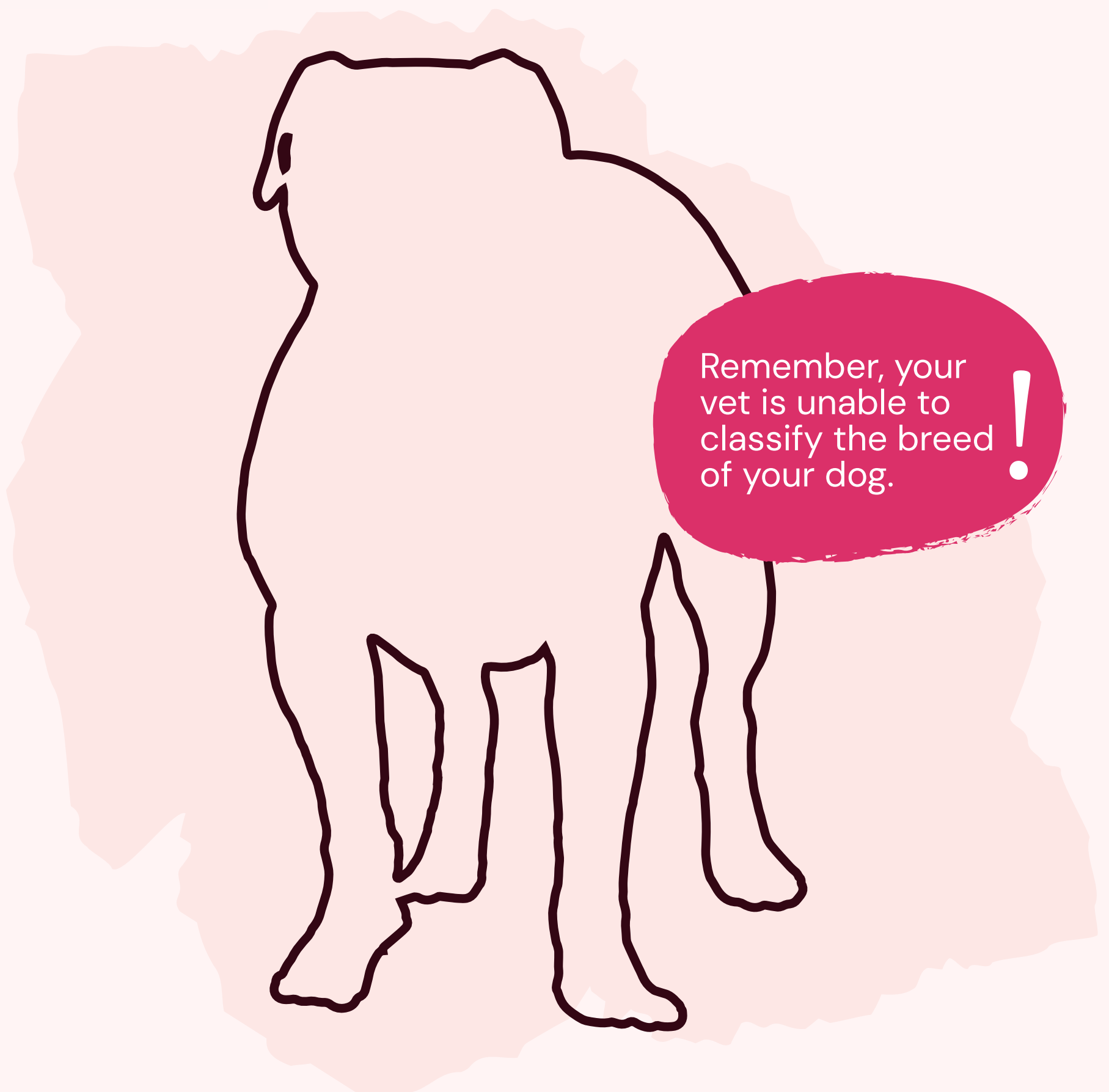


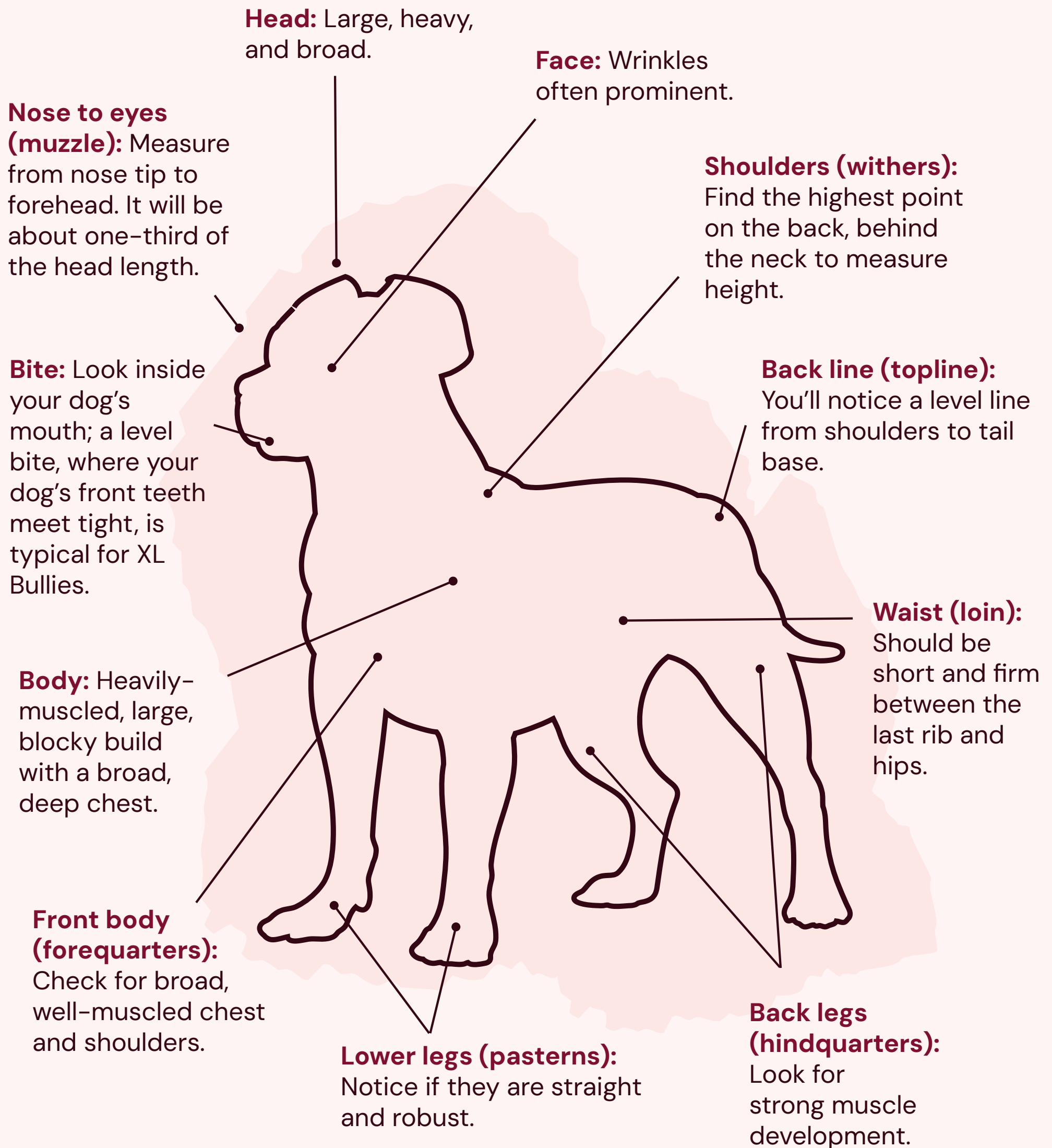
How do I know if my dog is an XL Bully?



Remember, your vet is unable to classify the breed of your dog. !

Worried your dog might be classed as an XL Bully under the current UK ban? Our guide walks you through how to identify and measure the key traits of the breed. This way, you can take the right steps to make sure your dog remains a legal member of your family.

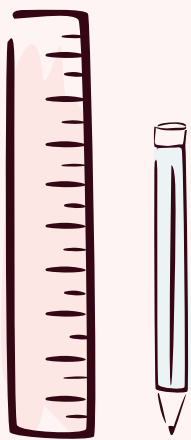
Key areas to check



If your dog matches these features and you don't already have a Certificate of Exemption, it's now illegal to keep them. If they are exempt, ensure you follow all legal requirements to avoid penalties. Find full guidance at [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk).

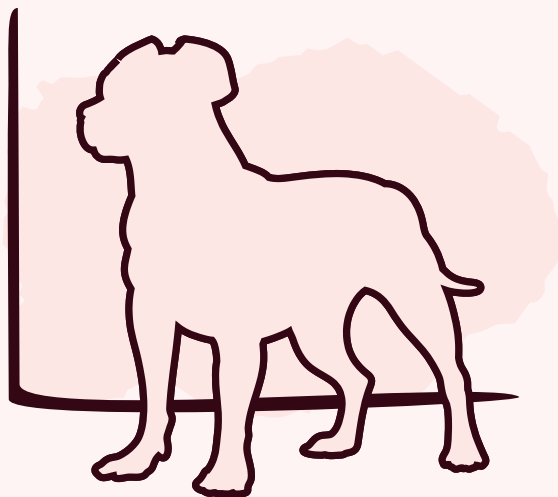
Step-by-step guide to measuring height

Measure from the ground to the shoulders (withers) to see if your dog fits the XL Bully classification. Adult males need to be 20 inches (51 cm) or taller, females 19 inches (48 cm) or taller.



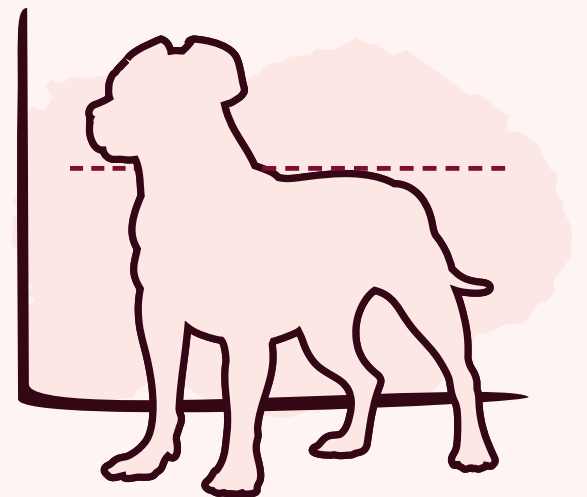
1. What you need:

Tape measure or a ruler and a pencil.



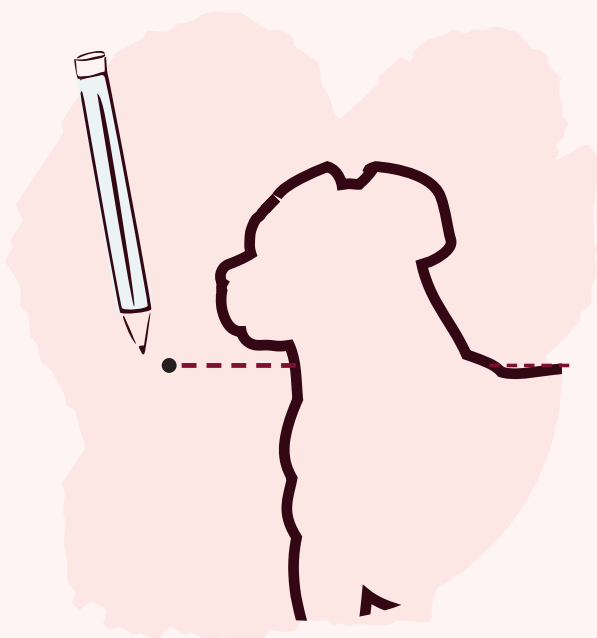
2. Prepare your dog:

Have them stand beside a wall.



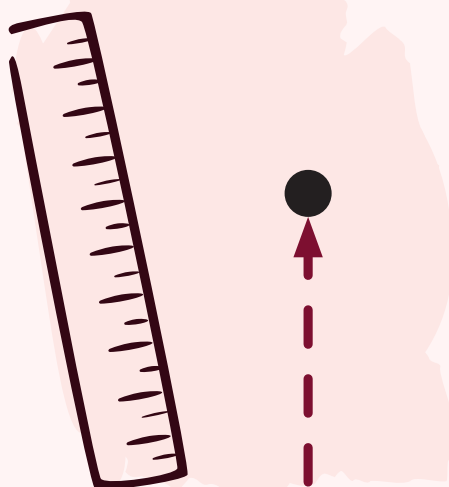
3. Find the shoulders (withers):

Look for the highest point at the back, just behind the neck.



4. Mark the spot:

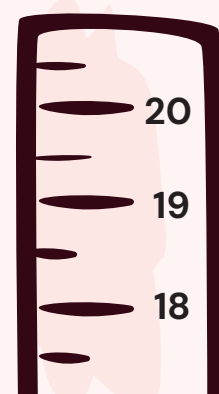
Make a mark on the wall at the height of the withers.



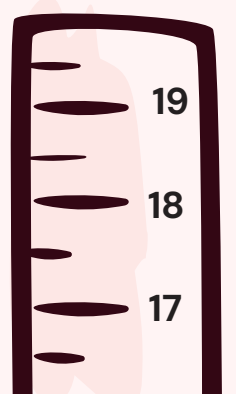
5. Measure the height:

Move your dog and measure from the floor to the mark.

Male dog



Female dog



6. Check the size: If your **male dog is 20 inches (51 cm)** or more, or your **female dog is 19 inches (48 cm)** or more at the withers, they might be an XL Bully.

Worried your dog may be an XL Bully?

Read our guide at www.pethealthclub.com to find out more.