According to the World Beard and Moustache Championships, there are five official types of moustache and four partial beards (or goatees) that may compete:



The Natural Moustache may be styled but without aids.

The hairs are allowed to start growing from up to a maximum of 1.5 cm beyond the end of the upper lip.



The Dali Slender with long tips, straight up or arching up.

The hairs are only allowed to start growing up to the end of the upper lip.



The Imperial Moustache Small and bushy with tips arching up.

The hairs are only allowed to start growing up to the end of the upper lip.



The English

Slender, beginning from the middle of the upper lip with the hairs extremely long and pulled to the side. Tips may be lifted slightly.

The hairs are only allowed to start growing up to the end of the upper lip.



The Hungarian

Big and bushy, beginning from the middle of the upper lip and pulled to the side.

The hairs are allowed to start growing from up to a maximum of 1.5cm beyond the end of the upper lip.



The Natural Goatee
Facial Hair grown only on chin,
upper and lower lip.

Moustache not required.



The Musketeer

Moustache long and slender. Hairs are allowed to start growing from up to maximum of 1.5 cm beyond the end of the upper lip. Beard small/pointed.



The Imperial

Hair to be grown only on cheeks and upper lip.
Moustache integrated. The ends must point upwards and not be curled over.



The Chinese (Fu Manchu)

Chin shaved with moustache allowed to start to grow up to a maximum of 2 cm beyond and below the end of the upper lip. Tips long and pulled down.

The American Mustache Institute has a more broad list of moustaches (and yes the o is appropriate spelling traditionally) including repeats of the English, Dali, Imperial and Fu Manchu:



A thick and wide mustache, usually worn long to cover the top border of the upper lip.



# painter's brush

A thick mustache covering the width of the mouth, usually worn short, with slightly rounded corners.



### toothbrush

A thick mustache, shaved to be about an inch wide in the center. Sometimes called the Dictator.



#### fu manchu

A mustache that begins on the upper lip and whose whiskers are grown very long to extend down each side of the mouth down to the to jaw. The areas just past the corners of the mouth are shaven, thus differentiating this style from the "horseshoe" (see right).



### horseshoe

A full moustache with vertical extensions grown on the corners of the lips and down the sides of the mouth to the jawline, resembling an upsidedown horseshoe. The whiskers grown along the sides of the mouth in the horseshoe are sometimes referred to as "pipes." Not to be confused with the "fu manchu" which is grown long from the upper lip only-- the sides remain shaven in the fu manchu.



handlebar petit handlebar

A handlebar mustache can be worn large or small ("petit handlebar"); it is characterized by the fact that it is bushy and must be worn long enough to curl the ends upward, which is usually achieved with styling wax. Not to be confused with the horseshoe (see left).



walrus

A large, bushy, droopy mustache that hangs down over the lips, often entirely covering the mouth.



# english

A narrow divided mustache that begins at the middle of the upper lip, with long whiskers pulled to either side of the center. The areas beyond the corners of the mouth are typically shaved.



### lampshade

A mustache similar to the "painter's brush," but with corners angled slightly, resembling the shape of a lampshade.

There are also two very broad categories of moustache as named by the American Mustache Institute:



A thin, narrow, closely clipped mustache that outlines the upper lip. Pencil style mustaches can be trimmed in different manners (see above). Also sometimes called a "mouthbrow."



pyramidal mustaches

A general name for mustaches shaped narrow on top and wide on the bottom, like a pyramid. Pyramidal mustaches can be shaped in a variety of ways, as shown above.

Several moustaches not recognized by either authority are from left to right, top row first: the Pancho Villa, the Zappa, the Moustachio, the Office Model and the GG (named for GG Allin).









