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GREYHOUND

ORIGIN : Great Britain.

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UTILIZATION : Sighthound.

CLASSIFICATION F.C.I. : Group 10 Sighthounds.
Section 3 Short-haired Sighthounds.
Without working trial.

GENERAL APPEARANCE : Strongly built, upstanding, of generous proportions, muscular power and symmetrical formation, with long head and neck, clean well laid shoulders, deep chest, capacious body, arched loin, powerful quarters, sound legs and feet, and a suppleness of limb, which emphasise in a marked degree its distinctive type and quality.

BEHAVIOUR / TEMPERAMENT : Possessing remarkable stamina and endurance. Intelligent, gentle, affectionate and even tempered.

HEAD : Long, moderate width.

CRANIAL REGION :

Skull : Flat.

Stop : Slight.

FACIAL REGION :

Muzzle : Jaws powerful and well chiselled.

Jaws/Teeth : Jaws strong, with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, i.e. the upper teeth closely overlapping the lower teeth and set square to the jaws.

Eyes : Bright, intelligent, oval and obliquely set. Preferably dark.

Ears : Small, rose-shape, of fine texture.

NECK : Long and muscular, elegantly arched, well let into shoulders.

BODY :

Back : Rather long, broad and square.

Loins : Powerful, slightly arched.

Chest : Deep and capacious, providing adequate heart room. Ribs deep, well sprung and carried well back.

Flanks : Well cut up.

TAIL : Long, set on rather low, strong at root, tapering to point, carried low, slightly curved.

LIMBS

FOREQUARTERS : Forelegs long and straight, bone of good substance and quality. Elbows, pasterns and toes inclining neither in nor out.

Shoulders : Oblique, well set back, muscular without being loaded, narrow and cleanly defined at top.

Elbows : Free and well set under shoulders.

Pasterns : Moderate length, slightly sprung.

HINDQUARTERS : Body and hindquarters, features of ample proportions and well coupled, enabling adequate ground to be covered when standing.

Thighs and second thighs : Wide and muscular, showing great propelling power.

Stifles : Well bent.

Hocks : Well let down, inclining neither in nor out.

FEET : Moderate length, with compact, well knuckled toes and strong pads.

GAIT / MOVEMENT : Straight, low reaching, free stride enabling the ground to be covered at great speed. Hindlegs coming well under body giving great propulsion.

COAT

HAIR : Fine and close.

COLOUR : Black, white, red, blue, fawn, fallow, brindle or any of these colours broken with white.

SIZE : Ideal height : dogs 71-76 cm (28-30 ins); bitches 68-71 cm (27-28 ins).

FAULTS : Any departure from the foregoing points should be considered a fault and the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in exact proportion to its degree **and its effect upon the health and welfare of the dog.**

Any dog clearly showing physical or behavioural abnormalities shall be disqualified.

N.B. : Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.