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ORIGIN : France.

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UTILIZATION : Hound.

CLASSIFICATION F.C.I. : Group 6 Scenthounds and related breeds.
Section 1.1 Large sized hounds.
With working trial.

GENERAL APPEARANCE : Well constructed hound, strong, yet light; forequarters more powerful than hindquarters.

HEAD : Fairly fine, lean, of medium length.

CRANIAL REGION :

Skull : Forehead slightly domed, not very broad; occipital protuberance perceptible.

Stop : Well defined.

FACIAL REGION :

Nose : Well developed, black or red-brown.

Muzzle : Rather square. Nasal bridge fairly broad; first straight, then slightly arched, moderately long.

Lips : Slightly or not at all in form of flews, the upper lip covering the lower without overhanging fleshiness; corner of the lips often visible.

Eyes : Alert, very open and dark, eyerims black or brown.

Leathers : Of medium size, set on relatively high for a French hound, rather flat, in the lower section turning slightly inwards.

NECK : Of medium length, rather round, somewhat strong; a slight dewlap is permitted.

BODY :

Back : Rather wide, strong, slightly arched.

Loin : Wide, slightly arched.

Croup : Sloping.

Chest : Very deep, quite narrow.

Ribs : Flat.

Flank : Fairly long, with a slight tuck-up.

TAIL : Long, strong, sometimes slightly feathered.

LIMBS

FOREQUARTERS : Strong, vertical stance, flat bones.

Shoulders : Fairly long, lying close to the chest.

HINDQUARTERS :

Thighs : Moderately muscled.

Hocks : Slightly bent, wide and strong.

Feet : Well developed, rather round; toes tight.

GAIT/MOVEMENT : Gallops easily.

SKIN : White, sometimes with deep brown or almost black spots; supple and fine.

COAT

HAIR : Short, harsh to the touch, often slightly coarse.

COLOUR : Pure white or milk-coffee white, or white with light orange or lemon patches or mantle.

SIZE : For dogs : 60-70 cm.

For bitches : 58-62 cm.

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.

ELIMINATING FAULTS :

- **Aggressive or overly shy.**
- Nasal bridge too short, too long or too slim.
- Pronounced overshot mouth; such a dog must be strictly disqualified; however a dog with a slightly overshot mouth (1/2 cm) has not to be eliminated.
- Black or red hair.

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.