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CLUMBER SPANIEL

ORIGIN: Great Britain.

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UTILIZATION: Flushing dog.

CLASSIFICATION F.C.I.: Group 8 Retrievers, Flushing

dogs, Water dogs.

Section 2 Flushing dogs.

With working trial.

GENERAL APPEARANCE: Well balanced, heavily boned, active with a thoughtful expression, overall appearance denoting strength.

BEHAVIOUR / TEMPERAMENT: Stoical, great-hearted, highly intelligent with a determined attitude enhancing his natural ability. A silent worker with an excellent nose. Steady, reliable, kind and dignified; more aloof than other Spaniels, showing no tendency towards aggression.

<u>HEAD</u>: Square, massive, medium length. No exaggeration in head and skull.

CRANIAL REGION:

<u>Skull</u>: Broad on top with decided occiput; heavy brows.

Stop: Deep.

FACIAL REGION:

<u>Muzzle</u>: Heavy, square. <u>Flews</u>: Well developed.

<u>Jaws/Teeth</u>: Jaws strong, with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, i.e. upper teeth closely over-lapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws.

 $\underline{\text{Eyes}}$: Clean, dark amber, slightly sunk, some haw showing but without excess. Full light eyes highly undesirable. Free from entropion.

<u>Ears</u>: Large, vine leaf-shaped, well covered with straight hair. Hanging slightly forward, feather not to extend below leather.

NECK: Fairly long, thick, powerful.

BODY: Long, heavy, near to ground.

Back: Straight, broad, long.

Loin: Muscular.

<u>Chest</u>: Deep; well sprung ribs. Underline: Well let down in flank.

<u>TAIL</u>: **Previously** customarily docked.

<u>Docked</u>: Set low. Well feathered, carried level with back.

<u>Undocked</u>: Set low. Well feathered, carried level with back. Strong at root, tapering gradually to the tip. Of moderate length.

LIMBS

<u>FOREQUARTERS</u>: Legs short, straight, well boned, strong.

Shoulders: Strong, sloping, muscular.

<u>HINDQUARTERS</u>: Very powerful and well developed.

Stifles: Well bent and set straight.

<u>Hocks</u>: Low.

FEET: Large, round, well covered with hair.

<u>GAIT / MOVEMENT</u>: Rolling gait attributable to long body and short legs. Moving straight fore and aft, with effortless drive.

COAT

<u>HAIR</u>: Abundant, close, silky and straight. Legs and chest well feathered.

<u>COLOUR</u>: Plain white body preferred, with lemon markings; orange permissible. Slight head markings and freckled muzzle.

WEIGHT: Ideal weight: dogs 36 kg (80 lbs); bitches 29.5 kg (65 lbs).

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.

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