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CURLY COATED RETRIEVER

ORIGIN: Great Britain.

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STANDARD: 28.07.2009.

UTILIZATION: Retriever.

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

Dogs, Water Dogs.

Section 1 Retrievers. With working trial.

GENERAL APPEARANCE: Strong, upstanding dog with a degree of elegance. Distinctive coat.

IMPORTANT PROPORTIONS: Slightly longer in body, measured from point of shoulder to point of buttock, than in height from withers.

BEHAVIOUR / TEMPERAMENT: Intelligent, steady, reliable. Bold, friendly, self confident and independent. May seem aloof.

<u>HEAD</u>: Wedge-shaped in both side and front profiles. In proportion to body size.

<u>CRANIAL REGION</u>:

<u>Skull</u>: Foreface and skull equal length. Planes of skull and muzzle parallel.

Stop: Slight.

FACIAL REGION:

Nose: Black in blacks and brown in livers.

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

<u>Eyes</u>: Large, not prominent, oval-shaped **and** obliquely set. Dark brown in blacks; in livers brown tone to blend with coat colour.

<u>Ears</u>: Rather small, set slightly above level of eye; lying close to head, covered with small curls.

<u>NECK</u>: Strong and slightly arched, of medium length, free from throatiness and flowing freely into well laid back shoulders.

BODY:

<u>Topline</u>: Strong and level.

Loins: Short, deep and powerful.

<u>Chest</u>: Deep with well sprung ribs, oval in cross section with brisket

reaching elbow. Forechest visible. Ribs extend well back.

Underline and belly: Slight tuck up.

TAIL: Flows from topline. Should reach approximately to hock, carried straight on a level with topline when moving.

LIMBS

<u>FOREQUARTERS</u>: Forelegs straight, set well under body.

Shoulder: Well laid back and muscular.

<u>Upper arm</u>: Upper arm and shoulder blade approximately equal in

length.

Metacarpus (Pastern): Strong.

Forefeet: Round, tight with well-arched toes.

 $\underline{HINDQUARTERS}: Strong, \, muscular.$

Stifle: Moderate turn of stifle.

<u>Hock</u>: Well let down and well bent.

<u>Hind feet</u>: Round, tight with well-arched toes.

GAIT / MOVEMENT: Effortless, powerful gait with good extension and drive. Parallel movement. At speed, legs tend to converge.

COAT

<u>Hair</u>: Body coat a thick mass of small tight, crisp curls lying close to skin, extending from occiput to tip of tail; without undercoat or bare patches. Elsewhere smooth hair.

COLOUR: Black or liver.

SIZE AND WEIGHT:

Ideal height at withers: Dogs: 67,5 cm (27 ins),

Bitches: 62,5 cm (25 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 **and on its ability to perform its traditional work**.

DISQUALIFYING FAULTS:

- Aggressive or overly shy.
- Any dog clearly showing physical or behavioral abnormalities shall be disqualified.

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