



FEDERATION CYNOLOGIQUE INTERNATIONALE (AISBL)

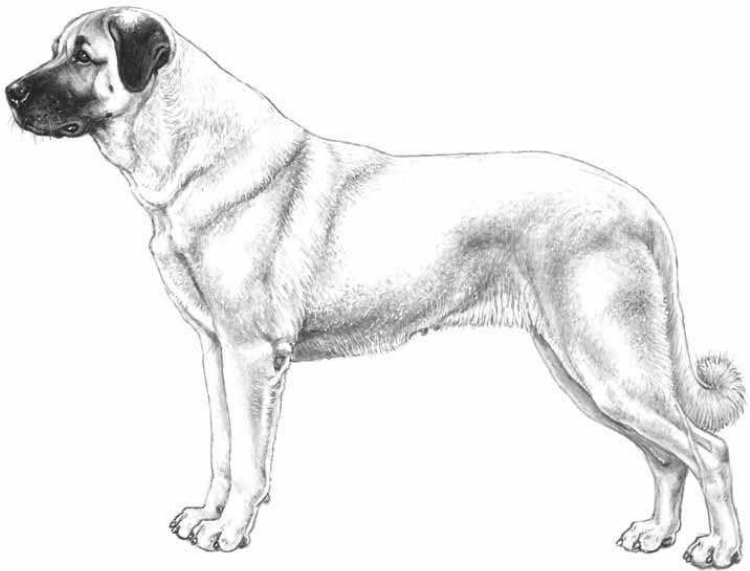
SECRETARIAT GENERAL: 13, Place Albert 1^{er} B – 6530 Thuin (Belgique)

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FCI-Standard N° 331

ANATOLIAN SHEPHERD DOG

(Coban Köpegi)



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This illustration does not necessarily show the ideal example of the breed.

BEHAVIOUR/TEMPERAMENT: Steady and bold without aggression, naturally independent, very intelligent and tractable. Proud and confident. Loyal and affectionate to owners, but wary of strangers when **on duty**.

HEAD

CRANIAL REGION:

Skull: Large, but in proportion to body, broad between ears, slightly domed. Mature males have broader head than females.

Stop: Slight.

FACIAL REGION:

Nose: Black, except in livers, where it is brown.

Muzzle: Seen from above almost rectangular. Profile blunt, tapering very slightly to end.

Lips: Very slightly pendulous, black-edged. Edge of upper lip not lower than the profile of the underjaw. Corner of mouth tight.

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

Eyes: Rather small in proportion to size of skull, set well apart, showing no haw. Golden to brown in colour according to coat colour. Eye rims black except in livers.

Ears: Medium sized, triangular in shape, rounded at tip, pendant with front edge close to cheek, higher when alert.

NECK: Slightly arched, powerful, muscular, moderate in length, rather thick. Slight dewlap.

BODY: Powerful, well muscled, never flat **sided**.

Top line: Horizontal, slightly arched over loins.

Back: Rather short in proportion to leg length.

Loin: Slightly arched.

Chest: Deep to point of elbow; ribs well sprung, ribcage sufficiently long.

Underline and belly: Belly well tucked up.

TAIL: Long, reaching to hock, set on rather high, when relaxed carried low with slight curl; when alert carried high and curled over back, especially by males.

LIMBS

FOREQUARTERS:

General appearance: Set well apart straight and well boned; of good length.

Shoulder: Well muscled, oblique.

Elbow: Close to sides, free moving.

Metacarpus (Pastern): Strong, slightly sloping when viewed from side.

Forefeet: Strong, with thick pads and well arched toes. Nails short.

HINDQUARTERS:

General appearance: Powerful, not overloaded with muscles. Hind legs vertical when seen from rear.

Thigh: Long.

Stifle (Knee): Good turn of stifle.

Hind feet: Strong, with thick pads and well arched toes. Nails short.

GAIT / MOVEMENT: Very noticeable level line of body, head and neck when walking, movement even, supple and long reaching, giving impression of stalking, with great power. Pacing acceptable at slow speed.

COAT

Hair: Short or half-long, dense, with thick undercoat. Great variations in coat length according to climate. Longer and thicker on neck, shoulders and thighs. The coat tends to be longer in winter.

Colour: All colours acceptable.

SIZE AND WEIGHT:

Height at the withers: Males: 74 – 81 cms Females: 71 – 79 cms

Weight: Mature males: 50 – 65 kgs
Mature Females: 40 – 55 kgs

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.

SEVERE FAULTS:

- Low to ground, heavy and slow, too massive; too light in build.
- Flat skull.
- Hackney action, mincing gait, stiffness.
- Coat too long and hanging.

DISQUALIFYING FAULTS:

- Aggressive or overly shy dogs.
- Any dog clearly showing physical or behavioural abnormalities shall be disqualified.
- Overshot or undershot bite.
- Muzzle too short (one third of the total length of head).
- Coat very short and smooth, devoid of undercoat.

N.B.:

- Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.
- Only functionally and clinically healthy dogs, with breed typical conformation should be used for breeding.

The latest amendments are in bold characters.

ANATOMICAL FEATURES

