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FCI-Standard N° 106

BLUE PICARDY SPANIEL
(Epagneul bleu de Picardie)
TRANSLATION: Mrs. Peggy Davis.

ORIGIN: France.


UTILIZATION: Pointing dog.

FCI-CLASSIFICATION: Group 7 Pointing Dogs.
Section 1.2 Continental Pointing Dogs; « Spaniel » type.
With working trial.

GENERAL APPEARANCE: Quite low to the ground dog, well built for the job. General appearance on the whole, a true Picardy Spaniel.

HEAD

CRANIAL REGION:
Skull: Oval, relatively wide without prominent parietal bones, occipital crest slightly visible.
Stop: Moderately accentuated but marked.

FACIAL REGION:
Nose: Broad, well open nostrils.
Muzzle: Long and quite broad.
Lips: Wide and pendulous forming a distinctly square muzzle.
Eyes: Calm expression; eyes dark, large, well open.
Leathers: Must be set slightly above the eye level, quite thick, framing the head; beautiful wavy silky hair; the leather stretched in its length must reach the tip of the muzzle.

NECK: Well set. A slight dewlap is permitted.
**BODY**
Back and loin: Not too long, well sustained.
Croup: Rather a little falling away.
Chest: Of medium depth.
Ribs: Harmoniously sprung and descending to elbow level.

**TAIL**
Not extending too much beyond the hock and definitely without a hook.

**LIMBS**

**FOREQUARTERS**
Shoulder and upper arm: Slightly oblique.
Forearm: Strong and well muscled.
Forefoot: Round, a little broad but not flat, well furnished with hair in between tightly closed toes.

**HINDQUARTERS**
Upper thighs: Well muscled.
Lower thighs: Long and furnished with profuse fringes.
Hocks: Bent without exaggeration and furnished with fringes from the hock to the foot.
Hind foot: Round, a little broad but not flat, well furnished with hair in between tightly closed toes.

**COAT**

**HAIR**
Flat; or slightly wavy: legs and tail well furnished with fringes.

**COLOUR**
Grey black speckled forming a bluish shade, with black patches.

**SIZE**
Height at the withers: 57 to 60 cm for the males, a little less for the females.
**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.

- **Skull** : Too narrow-lacking chiselling.
- **Muzzle** : Pointed.
- **Eye** : Light and too small.
- **Leather** : Short, set too high and too thin.
- **Chest** : Ribs too flat or too round.
- **Foot** : Flat, splayed or too broad.

**DISQUALIFYING FAULTS** :

- Aggressive or overly shy dogs.
- Any dog clearly showing physical of behavioural abnormalities shall be disqualified.

**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.