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FCI-Standard № 244

**SLOVAKIAN HOUND**
(Slovenský Kopov)
TRANSLATION : Mrs. C.Seidler.

ORIGIN : Slovakia.


UTILIZATION: This breed is distinguished through its enduring hours-long following of a warm trail or scent while giving tongue. Also distinguished by its keenness and therefore used in its native country for hunting wild boar and predatory.

FCI-CLASSIFICATION : Group 6 Scenthounds and related breeds.
Section 1.2 Medium sized hounds.
With working trial.

GENERAL APPEARANCE : Always solid black with tan markings. Lightish body build, yet solid bone structure. Longish rectangle.

BEHAVIOUR / TEMPERAMENT : Spirited temperament. Extraordinarily developed sense of direction.

HEAD

CRANIAL REGION :
Skull : Flat domed top skull ; shape of a longish rectangle. Superciliary ridges and frontal furrow marked; occipital protuberance hardly marked. The direction of the axes of the muzzle and of the skull is parallel. Stop : Forms an angle of about 45°.

FACIAL REGION :
Nose : Always black in colour, relatively large, moderately tapering; nostrils moderately open.
Muzzle: Bridge of nose straight, in keeping with the skull long and not too broad.
Lips: Not overlapping, close fitting with noticeable opened corner of Mouth.
Jaw / Teeth: Jaws of regular shape, firm, with well developed complete bite.
Eyes: Dark, set in somewhat deep. Show liveliness and courage. Eyelids always black; almond shaped.
Leathers: Set on somewhat above the line of the eyes, carried flat along the head, with rounded tip and of medium length.

NECK: Well set, carried at an angle of 135°, rather short, muscular and without loose skin.

BODY:
Back: Straight, medium long.
Loin: Not too long, suitably broad, firm and muscular.
Croup: Not too long, medium breadth, rounded.
Chest: Forechest broad and well developed. Medium depth, suitably broad and appropriately long. Ribs arched, set slanting.
Belly and flanks: Moderately tucked up.

TAIL: Set on somewhat low, below the upper line; fittingly strong, tapering to the tip and reaching to the hock. Pendant in repose; curved upwards in sabre shape to a height of 150° when alert.

LIMBS

FOREQUARTERS:
Shoulder-blade and upperarm: Rather short, well developed, muscular. Angle at shoulder joint about 110°.
Forearm: In vertical position, dry.
Pastern joint: Short.
Pastern: Not too long, somewhat sloping.
Forefeet: Oval; well arched toes; nails always black and strong. Pads dark and well developed.
HINDQUARTERS:
Upper thigh: Sufficiently broad; fittingly long, muscular.
Lower thigh: Broad, appropriately in length, well muscled.
Hock joint: Set on in a height of about 15 cm, moderately broad.
Angle of hock about 150°.
Hock: About 8 cm long, moderately slanting forward; no dewclaws.
Hind feet: Oval; toes tight and well arched; pads well developed and black.

SKIN: Dark brown to black, close fitting without folds or loose skin.

GAIT / MOVEMENT: Lively and balanced.

COAT
HAIR: 2-5 cm long, medium coarse, close fitting and dense; longer on back, neck and tail. Undercoat dense, especially during winter months, but must not be lacking in summer.

COLOUR: Black with brown to mahogany coloured tan markings on limbs.

HEIGHT AND WEIGHT:
Height at withers for dogs: 45 to 50 cm.
Height at withers for bitches: 40 to 45 cm.
Weight: 15 to 20 kg.

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.
• Heavy, clumsy, stocky build.
• Head too heavy.
• Lips overlapping.
• Incomplete bite.
• Over- or undershot mouth.
• light eye, eyelids loose or too tight.
• Leathers too light, pointed.
• Loose skin on neck (throatiness).
• Soft back.
• Flat ribcage (serious fault).
• Remarkably too long tail, tail carriage above topline even in repose.
• Incorrect position of limbs.
• Soft feet.
• Coat too short, without undercoat; coat too long, wavy.
• Colour other than black, white markings, unclear boundary of tan markings.
• Oversize.

**DISQUALIFYING FAULTS:**
• Aggressive or overly shy dogs.
• Any dog clearly showing physical of behavioural abnormalities shall be disqualified.

**IMPORTANT MEASURES (IDEAL TYPE):**

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<td>Weight</td>
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<td>Height at withers for a dog</td>
<td>46 cm</td>
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<td>Height at withers for a bitch</td>
<td>43 cm</td>
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<td>Overall length of the head</td>
<td>22 cm</td>
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<td>Length of the bridge of nose</td>
<td>9 cm</td>
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<td>Girth of chest behind last rib</td>
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**ANGULATIONS:**

- Angle of the shoulder  110°
- Angle of the elbow  140°
- Angle of the hip  130°
- Angle of the stifle  130°
- Angle of hock joint  145°

**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.