

INTERIM BREED STANDARD OF THE BASSET FAUVE DE BRETAGNE

GENERAL APPEARANCE:	Short-legged, rough-coated hound of moderate length.
CHARACTERISTICS:	Courageous, hardy, possessing good nose. Very nimble In movement.
TEMPERAMENT:	Lively, friendly and amendable.
HEAD AND SKULL:	Medium in length. Well balanced. Skull moderately domed, fair width; occipital point well defined. Foreface of medium length, slightly arched; moderate stop. Underjaw strong and well developed. Nose black or very dark. Nostrils wide open.
EYES:	Slightly oval, neither too deep-set nor too prominent. Dark, hazel, no haw apparent. Lively expression.
EARS:	Set on level with eye, extending to the nose when drawn forward, folding inwards ending in a point. Covered with finer, darker and softer hair than body.
MOUTH:	Jaws strong with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, ie upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws.
NECK:	Rather short, muscular.
FOREQUARTERS:	Forelegs straight; slight crook acceptable; well boned with strong pasterns. Feet turning neither in nor out. Shoulders slightly sloping.
BODY:	Chest wide and deep. Sternum prominent. Ribs well rounded, carried well back. Level topline; strong loin.
HINDQUARTERS:	Strong and muscular. Stifles well bent, hocks well let down with good angulation, turning neither in nor out; just under the body when standing naturally.
FEET:	Tight, pads firm and hard. Short nails.
TAIL:	Set on high, thick at the base, tapering to a point, reaching slightly beyond the hock when lowered, carried like a sickle when moving.
GAIT/MOVEMENT:	Quick, striding out well.
COAT:	Very harsh, dense and flat. Never long or woolly.
COLOUR:	Fawn, gold-wheaten or red-wheaten. White spot on chest permissible.
SIZE:	Height at withers: 32-38 cm (12½ - 15 in).
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.
NOTE:	Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.