

SOME OF THE DEFINITIVE POINTS FROM THE FIELD SPANIEL BREED STANDARD

Head and Skull – conveys the impression of high breeding, character and nobility. Well chiselled, occiput well defined, lean beneath eyes. A thickness here gives coarseness to whole head. Slightly raised eyebrows. Moderate stop. Nose well developed with good open nostrils. Muzzle long and lean neither snipy nor squarely cut. In profile curving gradually from nose to throat.

Eyes wide open but almond shaped with tight lids showing no haw. Grave and gentle in expression. Dark hazel in colour

Mouth. Jaws strong with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, ie upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws.

Ears moderately long and wide, set low and well feathered

Shoulders long and sloping and well laid back. Legs of moderate length. Straight, flat bone.

Body. Chest deep and well developed. Ribs moderately well sprung. Length of rib cage is two thirds of the body length. Back and loin strong, level and muscular.

Gait/Movement. Long, unhurried stride with great drive from the rear. Short, stumping action undesirable. Coat long, flat, glossy and silky in texture, Never curly, sort or wiry. Dense and weatherproof. Abundant feathering on chest, under body and behind legs, but clean from hock to ground. Approximately 18” high at the shoulder, weight between 18-25kgs



Neck. Long, strong and muscular enabling dog to retrieve his game without undue fatigue

Tail. Set low, Never carried above level of back. Nicely feathered with lively action. Reaches approximately to the hocks. Of moderate length in balance with the rest of the dog.

Hindquarters. Strong, muscular, stifles moderately bent. Hocks well let down.

Feet. Tight, round with strong pads and not too small.