



## FCI Standard No 222

### Stabyhoun

Standard Provided by ABIDS

**ORIGIN:** Dutch

**GENERAL APPEARANCE:** A simple sturdily built long coated pointer, greater in length than height, which should be neither too coarse nor too refined in build. The skin fits the body closely; there is no dewlap nor do they show too much lip.

**BEHAVIOUR/TEMPERAMENT:** Devoted, soft and gentle as a pet, intelligent, obedient, easy to train, relaxed, good guard dog, not vicious or snappy.

#### DESCRIPTION

**HEAD:** Dry, should match the body, showing more length than width. **Skull and foreface** equally long. The **skull** should be slightly domed, not narrow, but may never give the impression of being wide. It flows with a slight rounding into the **cheeks**. These must be poorly developed. The **stop** is only slightly indicated. The **foreface** powerful, tapering to the nose without getting pointed. The **bridge of the nose** straight so that viewed from the side shows neither concave nor convex line. **Muzzle** broad, the nostrils wide open. **Lips** tight and not pendulous. **Teeth** strong with scissor-bite.

**EARS:** Set fairly low, earshell not much developed, and carried without turn closely against the head. Ears strongly developed which cause the fold in the ear not to take place directly at the root but further on, so that the ear is not carried against the head but stands away from it, are not what is required. The ears are moderately long and have the form of a mason's trowel. The feathering of the ear is a typical characteristic of the breed: they are rather long at the base of the ear, decreasing in length down to the point where the lowest 1/3 part of the ear is covered with short hair. The long coat must be straight; slightly wavy is permitted, but curled is objectionable.

**EYES:** Lying level in the head, medium in size, round with tight lids, without showing haw or third eyelid. They are neither protruding nor deeply set. Color dark brown for dogs with black ground color, brown for dogs with a brown or orange ground color. Eagle's eyes are objectionable.

**NOSE:** Black for dogs with a black ground color, brown for dogs with a brown or orange ground color. No split, nostrils well open, nose well developed.

**NECK:** Short and round, verging into the topline with a very blunt angle, so that the head is mostly carried low. The neck is slightly arched. No throatiness no dewlap.

**BRISKET:** Viewed from the front rather wide, showing more width than depth, so that the forelegs are rather wide apart. Underbrisket rounded, but not like a hull, not reaching lower than the elbow.

**BODY:** Powerful. The ribs well rounded. Back ribs well developed. Back straight, rather long, the croup only slightly sloping. Loin powerful, the belly only moderately tucked up.

**TAIL:** Long, reaching to the hock. Not set high, carried downwards to the last third part which is bent upwards in a gentle curve. In action the tail is lifted, but never so as to curl. The tail is covered with longer hair on all sides to the end, without curls or waves, not feathered, but bushy.

**FOREQUARTERS:** Should well-laid against the chest. Shoulder blade well laid back, well angulated. Lower arm powerful and straight, forelegs straight, with no weak pasterns. Toes well developed and arched, neither catfeet nor harefeet, pads thick.

**HINDQUARTERS:** Powerful, well angulated. Hock placed low; short rear pasterns. Hindfeet round with well developed pads.

**COAT:** Long and sleek all over the body. Only over the croup there may be a slight wave. The coat on the head is short. The coat at the back of the forelegs and at the breeches is well developed, more bushy than feathered. A somewhat curly coat shows that a cross has been made, and that is why the dogs with that sort of coat cannot be recognized as Stabyhoun.

**COLOR:** Black, brown or orange, with white markings. Spots and/or roan in the white is permitted.

**SIZE:** Ideal size for dogs is 53 cm, for bitches 50 cm.

#### FAULTS:

*Note: Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.*