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**FCI-Standard N° 25**

## **BILLY**



This illustration does not necessarily show the ideal example of the breed.

**TRANSLATION** : Mrs. Kincaid, brought up to date by Dr. Paschoud.

**ORIGIN** : France.

**DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL VALID STANDARD** : 28.12.1973.

**UTILIZATION** : Hound.

**FCI-CLASSIFICATION** : Group 6        Scenthounds and related breeds.  
Section 1.1    Large sized hounds.  
With working trial.

**GENERAL APPEARANCE** : Well constructed hound, strong, yet light; forequarters more powerful than hindquarters.

**HEAD** : Fairly fine, lean, of medium length.

**CRANIAL REGION** :

**Skull** : Forehead slightly domed, not very broad; occipital protuberance perceptible.

**Stop** : Well defined.

**FACIAL REGION** :

**Nose** : Well developed, black or red-brown.

**Muzzle** : Rather square. Nasal bridge fairly broad; first straight, then slightly arched, moderately long.

**Lips** : Slightly or not at all in form of flews, the upper lip covering the lower without overhanging fleshiness; corner of the lips often visible.

**Eyes** : Alert, very open and dark, eyerims black or brown.

**Leathers** : Of medium size, set on relatively high for a French hound, rather flat, in the lower section turning slightly inwards.

**NECK** : Of medium length, rather round, somewhat strong; a slight dewlap is permitted.

**BODY** :

**Back** : Rather wide, strong, slightly arched.

**Loin** : Wide, slightly arched.

**Croup** : Sloping.

**Chest** : Very deep, quite narrow.

**Ribs** : Flat.

**Flank** : Fairly long, with a slight tuck-up.

**TAIL** : Long, strong, sometimes slightly feathered.

**LIMBS**

**FOREQUARTERS** :

**General appearance** : Strong, vertical stance, flat bones.

**Shoulders** : Fairly long, lying close to the chest.

**HINDQUARTERS** :

**Thighs** : Moderately muscled.

**Hocks** : Slightly bent, wide and strong.

**Feet** : Well developed, rather round; toes tight.

**GAIT/MOVEMENT** : Gallops easily.

**SKIN** : White, sometimes with deep brown or almost black spots; supple and fine.

**COAT**

**HAIR** : Short, harsh to the touch, often slightly coarse.

**COLOUR** : Pure white or milk-coffee white, or white with light orange or lemon patches or mantle.

**SIZE** : For dogs : 60-70 cm.

For bitches : 58-62 cm.

**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.

**ELIMINATING FAULTS** :

- **Aggressive or overly shy.**
- Any dog clearly showing physical or behavioural abnormalities shall be disqualified.
- Nasal bridge too short, too long or too slim.
- Pronounced overshot mouth; such a dog must be strictly disqualified; however a dog with a slightly overshot mouth (1/2 cm) has not to be eliminated.
- Black or red hair.

**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.

# ANATOMICAL FEATURES

