



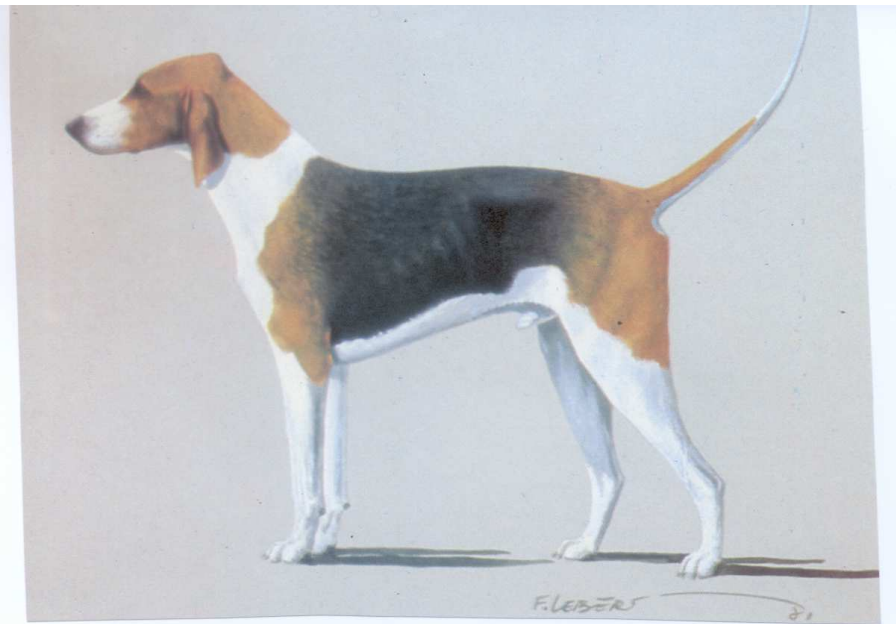
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**FCI-Standard N° 24**

**POITEVIN**



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** : 17.11.1978.

**UTILIZATION** : Hound.

**FCI-CLASSIFICATION** : Group 6 Scent Hounds and related breeds.  
Section 1.1 Large size Hounds.  
With working trial.

**GENERAL APPEARANCE** : A very distinguished hound presenting, to a high degree of perfection, strength, elegance and lightness, with a range of the most fascinating colours.

**HEAD** : Long but not exaggerated, not very wide, the bones prominent with a slight occipital protuberance.

**CRANIAL REGION** :

**Skull** : Rather flat, sloping very gently to the forehead.

**FACIAL REGION** :

**Nose** : Strong, wide and prominent.

**Muzzle** : Slightly convex, long without exaggeration.

**Lips** : Upper lip covering the lower, muzzle tapering.

**Eyes** : Large, round, surrounded with black. Lovely expression.

**Leathers** : Of medium width, fine leather, set on a little low, medium length and slightly turned inwards.

**NECK** : Long, slim, without dewlap.

**BODY** :

**Back** : Well muscled and very well coupled.

Loin : Muscular.

Flank : Slight tuck-up but sufficiently spacious for the intestines.

Brisket : Very deep, proportionately more so than wide.

Ribs : Long.

**TAIL** : Medium length, fine, smooth, never with longer and coarser slightly offstanding hairs (like ears of grain) towards the tip; elegantly carried in a slight curve.

## **LIMBS**

### **FOREQUARTERS** :

General appearance : Straight, very muscular, lean and strong, flat and broad.

Shoulders : Long, flat and sloping, close to the chest.

Forefeet : the “wolf-foot”, rather long, very resistant.

### **HINDQUARTERS** :

Hip : Somewhat sloping, well developed and of good length.

Thighs : Very muscular.

Hockjoint : Low to the ground, slightly bent. Hocks vertical.

Hind feet : As forefeet.

**GAIT / MOVEMENT** : Free mover; gallops easily, bounding lightly and passing well through undergrowth.

**SKIN** : Black nose. Testicles varying from white to black.

## **COAT**

**HAIR** : Short and glossy.

**COLOUR** : Tricolour with black saddle, or tricolour with large black patches; sometimes white and orange (bicolour); wolf-coloured hair is quite frequent.

**SIZE** : Dogs 62 to 72 cm, bitches 60 to 70 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.
- Black and white hounds.
- Dewlap.
- Hounds with slightly overshot mouth not to be disqualified, but all things being equal, the hound with correct jaw is to be preferred.

**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

