

Azawakh

Height - Dogs- 25"-29" **Bitches-** 23" - 27"

General Appearance- Leggy and elegant with appearance of great fineness. Bone structure and musculature are transparent beneath fine and lean skin. Rectangular shape with longer sides in vertical position. Length of body to height at withers = 9:10.

Head- Eyes- Almond shaped, quite large. Color in keeping with coat color. Rims pigmented. **Ears-** Set quite high, fine, always drooping and flat. Triangular with slightly rounded tip.

Skull- Almost flat, rather elongated. Width of skull is 40% of the length. **Muzzle-** Long, straight, fine, lean, chiseled and rather narrow. Equal length to backskull. Planes- parallel, but may be slightly divergent. **Nose-** Nostrils well opened. Color in keeping with coat color. **Bite-** Scissors, level allowed. Full dentition.

Neck- Long, fine, muscular and slightly arched. **Topline-** Nearly straight, horizontal or rising toward the hips. Withers quite prominent. **Body- Chest-** Depth of chest is 40% of height at withers. Does not reach elbow. Not very wide. Ribs are long and visible. Hipbones are distinctly protruding and are equal or superior to height at withers. Croup oblique, without accentuated slant. **Tail-** Set low, thin, lean and tapered. Should reach hock.

Forequarters- Long, fine, almost vertical. Shoulders long, lean and muscular, slightly slanting in profile. Feet are round with fine and tightly closed toes.

Hindquarters- Long and lean, legs perfectly vertical. Thighs and stifles are very open. Hocks straight and lean. Feet as above.

Skin and coat- Skin fine and tight over entire body. Hair is short, fine, down to none on belly. **Color and markings-** Immaterial.

Gait- Light and agile, without hackney or pounding. At the trot, the front foot should not extend past the end of the nose.

Temperament- Quick, attentive, distant, reserved with strangers, but can be gentle and affectionate with those he accepts.

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