## Löwchen

Examine on table

**Height** -11" - 13" Height may vary 1 inch above or below the ideal. Slightly off-square. Strong bone.

**Head** - Backskull is broad with moderate stop; length from nose to base of stop two-thirds of the length from base of stop to occiput. **Muzzle** - well filled and relatively broad with moderate depth of underjaw. **Eyes** - set well into skull, large, round, set well apart, dark brown preferred but lighter colored dogs may have lighter brown eyes. **Ears** -Pendant of moderate length well fringed and set on slightly above level of eye. **Nose and eye rims** - Completely pigmented. **Bite** - Scissors, teeth rather large, complete dentition.

**Body-** Level topline, slight tuck-up; loin short and strong; well sprung ribs; brisket moderate in width extending approximately to elbows. **Tail** -set high, carried in cup-handle fashion over back with plume touching back when dog is moving. Dropped tail when standing not to be penalized.

**Forequarters -** Shoulders strong, well laid back. Elbows held close to body. Forearms of good length, distance from withers to elbow slightly less than distance from elbow to ground. Bone more round than oval and medium size. Forefeet point straight ahead, tight, well arched, deep pads, two center toes slightly advanced from outer toes. Dewclaws may be removed.

**Hindquarters** – Stifles well bent; hocks well let down and perpendicular to ground. Medium boned. Hind feet point straight ahead, slightly smaller than forefeet.

**Coat** - Long, rather dense, moderately soft in texture with a moderate wave, consists of hairs of varying diameters with a more noticeable collection of denser hair around neck and withers, may fall to either side but must never be artificially parted.

**Lion Trim -** Clipped from last rib back to and including hindquarters, legs and tail leaving cuffs on all four legs and a plume on tail. All colors.

## DISQUALIFICATION:

- Any cut/trim/pattern other than what is listed in this standard.