

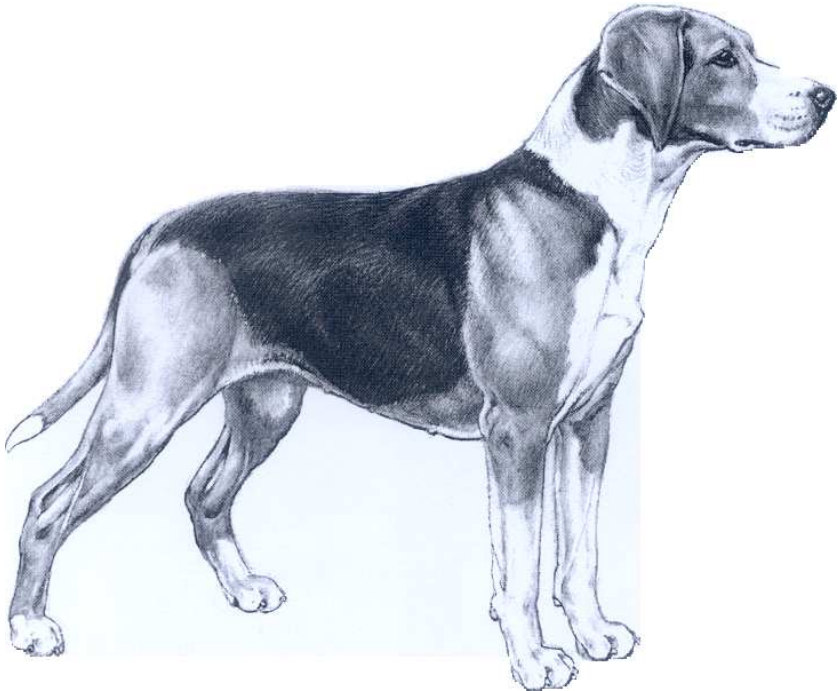


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FCI-Standard N° 132

HAMILTONSTÖVARE
(Hamiltonstövare)



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

IMPORTANT PROPORTIONS : Rectangular body.

BEHAVIOUR /TEMPERAMENT : Friendly and even tempered hound.

HEAD : Longish head.

CRANIAL REGION :

Skull : Skull slightly arched and moderately broad.

Stop : Stop well defined but not too pronounced.

FACIAL REGION :

Nose : Nose always black, well developed with large nostrils.

Muzzle : Muzzle long, strong and almost rectangular. Bridge of nose straight and parallel to line of skull. Distance from occiput to stop should be equal to that from stop to tip of nose.

Lips : Upper lips rather thin, tight, nicely rounded and not too overhanging. Males should have more pronounced lips than females.

Cheeks : Cheeks lean.

Jaw/Teeth : Scissor bite. Teeth strong and well developed.

Eye : Dark brown with calm expression.

Ear : Set fairly high ; when drawn forward, ears not to reach half-way along muzzle and should be raised only slightly when alert. Soft, hanging flat with fore edge not folded out.

NECK : Long, powerful and well set on into shoulders. Skin on neck supple and close fitting. Males should have a well defined arch of the topline.

BODY :

Withers : Withers well defined.

Back : Back level and powerful.

Loin : Loin muscular and slightly arched.

Croup : Croup slightly inclined, long and broad.

Chest : Chest deep, long, well developed and reaching elbows. Ribs moderately sprung.

Underline and belly : Belly only slightly tucked up.

TAIL : Set in line with back. Straight or slightly curved in sabre fashion. Fairly wide at base and tapering towards tip. In length it reaches hock. When the dog moves, tail preferably not carried above the level of the back.

LIMBS

FOREQUARTERS :

General appearance : Strong bone in harmony with the general appearance of the dog. When viewed from front, forelegs appear straight and parallel.

Shoulder : Shoulder long, muscular and well laid back. Closely attached to body.

Upper arm : Upper arm long and forming a right angle to the shoulder.

Elbow : Close to body and not visible under ribcage.

Pastern (Metacarpus) : Springy and forming a slight angle to forearm.

Forefeet : Oval in shape with well knuckled, tight toes.

HINDQUARTERS :

General appearance : Strong and parallel when viewed from behind.

Thigh : Muscles well developed ; thighs broad when viewed from the side.

Stifle : Well angulated.

Hock joint : Well angulated.

Metatarsal : Short, lean and straight.

Hindfeet : Like front feet, dewclaws undesirable.

GAIT/MOVEMENT : Parallel, strong, and long-reaching.

COAT : Harsh, not too short, lying very close to body. On head, ears and front of legs coat should be very short and smooth. Under tail and on back of thighs top coat quite long but not forming a fringe.

COLOUR : Tricolour. Upper side of neck, back, sides of trunk and upper side of tail black. Head, ears and legs, as well as the side of neck, trunk and tail tan. Tan can range from golden tint to a rich, deep reddish-brown. Blaze on upper part of muzzle ; under- and upper side of neck, breast, tip of tail and lower part of legs together with feet white.

HEIGHT :

Height at withers : Males : 53-61 cm; ideal size 57 cm (22,5 ins.).
Bitches : 49-57 cm; ideal size 53 cm (21 ins.).

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.

- Lack of masculinity or femininity.
- Broad skull, pronounced occiput.
- Short or snippy muzzle, dish-face.
- Heavy cheeks.
- Light eyes.
- Overshot - or undershot mouth, level bite.
- Soft back.
- Short, steep croup.
- Tail carried above the line of the back.
- Steep shoulder blades.
- Restricted hind movement.
- Mixture of black and brown colour.
- Heavy black markings that covers sides of trunk, shoulders and thighs.
- Other white markings than those described in the standard.
- Two-coloured (yellow-white, black-white, black-tan) or any preponderance of any of the three permissible colours.

DISQUALIFYING FAULTS :

- Aggressive or overly shy dogs.
- Any dog clearly showing physical or behavioural abnormalities shall be disqualified.
- Aloofness.
- Pronounced over- or undershot bite.
- Size outside the maximum and minimum limit.

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

