

Polish Lowland Sheepdog

Height – Dogs 18” to 20”; Bitches – 17” to 19”.

May examine on ramp

Appearance- Medium-sized, compact, strong, muscular; long, thick coat and hanging hair that covers the eyes, He is shaggy and natural in appearance with a docked or natural bobbed tail. Lively, self-controlled, clever and perceptive. Height to length ratio is 9:10 making dog off square.

Head – Medium-sized in proportion to body. Profuse hair on head makes the head look bigger. **Eyes-** Medium, oval, brown. Eye rims

dark as possible within coat color. Chocolate pigment to have lighter eyes. **Ears-** Heart-shape, drop and set moderately high, medium size in proportion to head, covered with long hair following shape of ear.

Skull- Moderately broad, slightly domed. **Stop-** Pronounced indentation. **Muzzle-** Topline straight, parallel to skull, well filled to end. Ratio of muzzle to skull is 1:1, Shorter muzzle is acceptable. **Nose-** Large black or brown to match coat color. Pink nose or nose partially lacking pigment should be penalized. **Teeth-** Scissors or level.

Neck – Medium length, muscular, strong; **Back-** Neither too long nor too short for proper balance and movement. **Withers-** Broad, well pronounced. **Chest-** Deep, medium width, well-defined forechest, depth to elbow, approximately 50% of height of dog. **Topline-** Level.

Loin- Well muscled, broad giving impression of being short; **Tail-** Short, set low, no longer than two vertebrae. Tail that changes shape and appearance of silhouette **must** be penalized so severely as to eliminate dog from competition. **Legs-** Straight with heavy bone. **Front feet-**Oval, tight, larger than rear feet;

Hindquarters- Large, heavy boned, well-muscled, well bent stifles.

Coat- Doubled, long, dense, shaggy, thick, reasonably straight. Outer coat crisp, water resistant, Undercoat soft, dense; Different coat colors will have different textures. **Severe fault:** Coat appears to be visibly scissored or sculpted.

Color- All coat colors are acceptable

Gait- Balanced, efficient, appear effortless.

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

- Blue or yellow (bird-of-prey) eyes.
- Overshot or undershot bite.