

Italian Grayhound

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Oral Exam: Front

General Appearance

Similar to Grayhound, much smaller &

More slender in all proportions

Ideal of grace & Elegance



Head

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Long narrow tapering to nose

Slight suggestion of stop

Skull rather long almost flat



Ears

Small, fine in texture, thrown back folded

Except when alerted, then carried folded at right angles to head.

Erect or Button ears severely penalized

Nose: Dark, May be Black or Brown w/
Coat color

Fault: light or partially pigmented nose

Muzzle Long & fine

Size / Substance / Proportion

Height at withers 13-15 inches



Eyes

Dark, bright, intelligent, medium in size

Fault: very light eyes



Teeth: scissors

Fault: badly undershot or overshot

Neck, Topline, Body

Neck Long slender, gracefully arched

Chest Deep & narrow

Body Of medium length, short coupled
High at withers, back curved and drooping at hindquarters

Highest point of curve at start of loin,
Creating a definite tuck-up at flanks

Shoulders Long & sloping



Action

High Stepping & Free

Front & hind legs move forward in straight line



Hindquarters

Long, well muscled thigh

Hind legs parallel when viewed from behind

Hock well let down, well-bent stifle



Forelegs

Long, straight, set well under shoulder

Strong pasterns, fine bone



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TAIL Slender & tapering to a curved end

Long enough to reach the hock

Set low, carried low

Fault: gay tail

Serious Fault: Ring Tail



Feet

Harefoot with well arched toes

Removal of dewclaws optional



Coat

Skin is fine & supple, hair short

Glossy like satin & soft to the touch

Color

Any color and markings are acceptable

Except: Brindle & dog with tan found on

Black & tan dogs much be disqualified

Disqualification:

Dog with brindle markings or Tan normally found on Black & Tan dogs