



**FCI Standard No. 265**  
**Norwegian Lundehund**  
*Norsk Lundehund; Chien Norvegien de Macereux;*  
*Norwegischer Lundehund; Lundehund Noruego*  
Standard Provided by ABIDS

**Classification:**

Group: V ..... Spitz and Primitive Types

Section: 2. .... Nordic Hunting Dog

**Origin:** Norway

**Info:**

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UTILIZATION: Dog for puffin-hunting.

Without working trial.

**General Appearance:** Spitz type dog, small, rectangular, supple, rather lightly made; morphological characteristics different according to sex. Strong limbs; six toes at least on each foot. Five toes of the forelegs and four of the hind legs must rest on the ground. The tail is coiled either in a ring shape, slightly rolled over onto the back, or hanging. Alert, energetic, lively.

**DESCRIPTION:**

**HEAD:** Clean-cut, medium width, cone shaped. Skull slightly rounded with prominent superciliary arches. Stop pronounced but without excess. Muzzle cone shaped of medium length. Nasal bridge slightly convex. Scissor bite preferred but a pincer bite or moderate prognathism of the lower jaw must not be penalized. The absence of premolars on both sides, in each jaw, is very common.

**EYES:** Slightly almond shaped and not protruding; the iris is yellowish brown; the pupil is encircled by a dark more or less wide halo.

**EARS:** Triangular ears of medium size, broad at the base, carried erect and very mobile. The cartilage of the ear lobe has the faculty of being able to retract itself so that the ear folds itself and flops in a specific manner, either backwards or in right angle upwards so as to close the auditory passage.

**NECK:** Clean-cut, of medium length, quite strong with a relatively well furnished ruff.

**BODY:** Rectangular. Strong. Topline straight; rump slightly sloping; chest of medium width, long, relatively well let down and spacious -not barrel shaped. Belly slightly drawn up.

**TAIL:** Set high, medium length, well covered with hair but without flag. Carried either in a ring or slightly rolled over onto the back, or hanging. Must not be either rolled up like that of the Buhund, Elkhound or of a Spitz, nor falling to one side. If a smell or a sound attracts the dog's attention, the tail hangs and its tip forms a book.

**FOREQUARTERS:** Without excessive angulation. Forearms straight. Feet oval shaped, turning slightly outwards, with at least six toes - of which five must rest on the ground. Eight pads on each foot. The two inner toes, formed respectively by 3 and 2 phalanges and endowed with a ligamentary and muscular system, make the leg look solid.

**HINDQUARTERS:** Moderate angulation. Strong. Muscular thighs. Oval shaped feet, turned slightly outwards, with at least six toes - four of which must rest on the ground. Seven pads on each foot, the one in the middle, the most important one by its size, being attached to the inner pads corresponding to the two inner toes. When the dog is standing up on a flat surface, the weight of the body must be evenly distributed on the pads. The position of the hindquarters is somewhat close.

**Gait /Movement:** Light and elastic. An external rotary action of the forelegs is characteristic of the breed. Movement of the hind legs straight.

**COAT:**

**HAIR:** Dense and rough. Short on the head and the front of the legs, more abundant at the level of the neck, rear of the buttocks (thighs) and on the tail, but without flag. Undercoat soft.

**COLOR:** Always combined with white; from red to fawn; coat more or less sprinkled with hairs with black tips; gray; white with dark patches. In general, the tips of the hairs darken progressively with the ageing of the subject.

**SIZE: HEIGHT: Male:** 35 - 38 cm **Female:** 32-35 cm

**WEIGHT:** Male about 7 kg- Female 6 kg. A dog, which would be at the maximum limit of the standard, shall not take preference over another smaller one, showing otherwise the same qualities.

**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.

**Note:** Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.