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A photograph of an English Foxhound dog standing in a grassy field. The dog is white with large brown patches and is looking towards the right. Another dog is partially visible behind it.	<p>Translation :</p> <p>Standard FCI n° 159 / 22/07/1997 / GB</p> <p>Breed name: English Foxhound.</p> <p>Origin : Great Britain.</p> <p>Date of publication of the original valid standard : 22/07/1997.</p> <p>Utilization : Packhound for mounted hunt.</p> <p>CLASSIFICATION FCI : Group 6 : Scent hounds and related breeds. Section 1.1 : Large-sized Hounds. With working trial.</p>
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BRIEF HISTORICAL SUMMARY

The English Foxhound has been bred along careful lines for over two hundred years, the stud books published by the Masters of Foxhounds Association of England dating back before 1800 ; it is an easy matter for any owner of an English Foxhound to trace the pedigree back. The breeding of Foxhounds in England has always been and is still today in hands of the masters of Foxhounds, who kept the most careful records of their breeding operations. Lately , the English Kennel Club has published an interim standard for the Foxhound. The FCI has recognized the breed in 1964. There have been over two hundred and fifty packs of Foxhounds in Great Britain.

GENERAL APPEARANCE

Well balanced, powerful and clean cut.

BEHAVIOUR/ TEMPERAMENT

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Stamina and endurance, natural ability to hunt. Friendly and not aggressive.

HEAD

Well balanced.

CRANIAL REGION

Skull : Flat, of medium width.

Stop : Slight.

FACIAL REGION

Nose : Large nostrils.

Muzzle : Long and square.

Jaws/Teeth : Moderately developed.

Mouth : Jaws strong with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, i. e. upper teeth closely overlapping the lower teeth and set square to the jaws.

Eyes : Medium size, hazel or brown. Keen expression.

Leathers : Pendant, carried close to the head, high set.

NECK : Long, slightly arched, well developed without being coarse.

BODY

Back : Broad and level.

Loin : Strong.

Chest : Deep, ribs well sprung.

TAIL : Well set on high. Carried gaily but never curled over back.

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LIMBS

Forequarters

Forelegs long, straight and well boned down to feet.

Shoulder : Well laid back, muscular without being loaded.

Pasterns : Strong.

Hindquarters

Powerful and muscular. Well boned down to feet.

Stifles : Well bent.

Hocks : Well let down.

FEET : Round, tight and strong. Well padded. Nails strong. Dewclaws optional.

GAIT / MOVEMENT : Free striding, tireless with the ability to gallop. Good drive behind with no indication to roll.

COAT

Hair : Short and dense. Weatherproof.

Colour : Any recognized hound colour and markings.

SIZE

Height at withers : approx. 58 - 64 cm (23 - 25 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.

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N.B. : Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.