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Tan Hare

Ring Size G		Points
1.	Type	30
2.	Colour	45
3.	Ears length	5
4.	Coat and condition	15
5.	Eyes	5
	Total	100

1. **TYPE** – Long, fine with muscular flank well tucked up, back distinctly arched with loins and hindquarters well rounded. Head long and fine. Chest tight and free from fullness. Tail straight and carried in line with the backbone. Fore feet long, fine in bone and perfectly straight. Hind feet long, fine and flat. (The term ‘feet’ to mean from the junction of the fore feet to the body and from the toes on the hind feet to the hock joint). General appearance to be graceful and of a racey alert nature.

2. **COLOUR** - No other colour but black and tan. No white or foreign colour amongst either black or tan. The colour both in the black and tan should reach well to the skin.

Distribution of black (body colour) and tan (marking).

The head and cheeks to be black. That same colour reaching right up to nose point, but with a ring of tan around each eye (eye circles). The shoulders (except immediately behind the ears) saddle, back, rump, sides and upper part of tail black. All should be free from brindling, except sides and side of rump which should be thickly laced with long tan hairs (side tickings). The nostrils, jowl, chest, belly, flanks and under part of tail should be one solid mass of deep golden tan, inclining to red or mahogany tint. Brightness of tan to be of greater importance than the actual tint. The tan should be quite clear from any mixture of soot or body colour. The nape, immediately behind the ears should be tan, wide near the ears and tapering to a fine point toward back, thus forming a triangle. This should be large enough to be partly seen even when the rabbit’s head is up. From the base of the triangle near the ears the tan should descend and if possible, meet the tan on the tan chest, thus forming a kind of band or collar around the neck. At the root of the ears, viewed from the front two tan spots, known as ‘pea spots’ should be seen, the larger these are the better.

Hind legs - the outer part of leg reaching from foot to rump black, the inner part rich tan. The division between black and tan should form an unbroken line right up the leg, free from raggedness. The tan on the inner side to be quite free from spots, pencilling, bars or black. Toes wholly tan.

Front legs. The lower front part black as free from brindle as possible. The hinder part and toes wholly tan.

3. **Ears** - to be approximately 13cm (5in) in length, well set on and sloping backwards.

Ears - Colour. Outside jet-black inside laced with tan all round. If the whole of the inside are tan so much the better. Ears free from white tips, white hairs or brindling.

4. **Coat and condition.** The coat to be of good quality, short and of a stiffish texture. Condition firm in flesh and free from any looseness or ungainliness.

5. **Eyes.** Bold and bright with deep hazel iris.

NOTE: In the event of equality in standard of points, preference must be given to the longest and largest specimens. Adult weight approximately 3.62-4.08kg (8-9lb).

FAULT - White toenails, deduct 10 points for each white toenail.