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## LISTS OF **HERDING/LIVESTOCK GUARDIAN** DOG BREEDS THAT CAN TAKE PART IN FCI EVENTS AND RECEIVE FCI TITLES AND AWARDS



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## 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. FCI Herding Dogs Commission's (FCI HDC) priority is to maintain the working ability of dog breeds to serve livestock. In addition to health, anatomy and appearance, which is the main objective of current dog breeding, it is equally important to preserve and develop the original inner qualities and instincts.
- 1.2. The challenges of keeping livestock have led to the breeding of dogs that are excellent at herding or/and guarding. Historical, economic and farming changes have also affected dog breeding and the selection of these breeds has led to a loss of working ability. Despite the fact that these dogs are essentially born to work, the breed standard no longer requires a working test as a condition for breeding.
- 1.3. Some breeds are subject to a working trial (indicated in the breed standard) as instructed by the National Canine Organisation (NCO) of their country of origin (see **TABLE 1** BELOW).
- 1.4. Some NCOs however have obtained the FCI permission to include their own native breeds, not subject to a working trial, in the FCI list of breeds exceptionally allowed to be entered in working class (see **TABLE 2** BELOW).
- 1.5. The FCI HDC introduced test and trial rules for Herding and Livestock Guardian dogs. These rules are applied to preserve the characteristics related to the ability to handle livestock and maintain these aptitudes through the work of many dog generations. The events organised on the basis of these rules are open to more breeds than those referred to at 1.3.
- 1.6. Although the various tests and trials are open to a wide range of breeds, the FCI titles and awards that can be gained are not available for all these breeds.
- 1.7. This document informs about the breeds concerned. The lists in the next tables can be adapted, if necessary, by the FCI HDC.

**TABLE 1: Herding dog breeds subject to a working trial according to the FCI breeds nomenclature,**

- eligible to enter the **working class** at international FCI-CACIB shows based on results obtained in **HERDING dog work** (passed FCI-HWT, Traditional or Collecting style)
- eligible for the **C.I.B.** title (**2 CACIB** & a passed FCI-HWT, Traditional or Collecting style)
- eligible for FCI title (**C.I.TR.**) and award (**C.A.C.I.TR.**) based on results obtained in **FCI-IHT-3 (Herding work)**

Country of origin	Name of breed	Standard number	Breed <u>subject to a working trial</u> according to the FCI breeds nomenclature	WC in all FCI countries	Valid test/trial Working Class (WCC)	HD/LG	C.A.C.I.TR. (FCI IHT-3 TS/CS) & C.I.TR.	C.I.B.
<b>Group 1 - Section 1: Sheepdogs</b>								
Australia	AUSTRALIAN KELPIE	293	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
Belgium	CHIEN DE BERGER BELGE	15	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
France	BERGER DE BEAUCE	44	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
France	BERGER DE BRIE	113	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
France	CHIEN DE BERGER DES PYRENEES À POIL LONG	141	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
France	BERGER PICARD	176	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
France	CHIEN DE BERGER DES PYRENEES À FACE RASE	138	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
Germany	DEUTSCHER SCHÄFERHUND	166	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
Great Britain	BORDER COLLIE	297	YES	YES	FCI-HWT CS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT CS
Italy	CANE DA PASTORE BERGAMASCO	194	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
Slovakia	CESKOSLOVENSKY VLČIAK	332	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
The Netherlands	HOLLANDSE HERDERSHOND	223	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
<b>Group 1 - Section 2: Cattledogs (except Swiss Cattledogs)</b>								
Belgium	BOUVIER DES ARDENNES	171	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
Belgium	BOUVIER DES FLANDRES/VLAAMSE KOEHOND	191	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
<b>Group 2 – Section 1.2: Schnauzer</b>								
Germany	RIESENSCHNAUZER	181	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS
<b>Group 2 – Section 2: Molossian type</b>								
Germany	ROTTWEILER	147	YES	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	2 CACIB + HWT TS

**TABLE 2:** Herding/Livestock Guardian dog breeds NOT subject to a working trial according to the FCI breeds nomenclature but which have obtained the FCI permission (at the request of the country of origin of the breed) to be included in the FCI list of breeds exceptionally allowed to be entered in working class at international FCI-CACIB shows, based on results obtained in HERDING and/or LIVESTOCK GUARDING work (HERDING DOGS: passed FCI-HWT TS - LIVESTOCK GUARDIAN DOGS: passed FCI-GWT)

These breeds are eligible for the

- **C.I.B.** (4 CACIB or 2 CACIB + a passed FCI-HWT TS or FCI-GWT for breeds with optional working trial, only in case option “working” is chosen by the NCO)
- FCI title (**C.I.TR.**) and award (**C.A.C.I.TR.**) based on results obtained in **FCI-IHT-3 (Herding work)**

Country of origin	Name of breed	Standard number	Breed <u>subject to a working trial</u> according to the FCI breeds nomenclature	Working class in all FCI countries	Valid test/trial Working Class (WCC)	HD/LGD	C.A.C.I.TR. (FCI IHT-3 TS/CS) & C.I.TR.	C.I.B.
<b>Group 1 - Section 1: Sheepdogs</b>								
Belgium	SCHIPPERKE	83	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Croatia	HRVATSKI OVCHAR	277	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	OLD ENGLISH SHEEPDOG	16	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	WELSH CORGI CARDIGAN	38	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	WELSH CORGI PEMBROKE	39	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	SHETLAND SHEEPDOG	88	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	COLLIE ROUGH	156	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	BEARDED COLLIE	271	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Great Britain	COLLIE SMOOTH	296	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB

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Hungary	KOMONDOR	53	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS FCI-GWT	Herding Dog Livestock Guardian Dog	YES (HD)	4 CACIB
Hungary	KUVASZ	54	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS FCI-GWT	Herding Dog Livestock Guardian Dog	YES (HD)	4 CACIB
<b>Hungary</b>	<b>MINIATURE AMERICAN SHEPHERD (17/12/2025)</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>FCI-HWT TS</b>	<b>Herding Dog</b>	<b>NO (PROVISIONAL BREED)</b>	<b>NO (PROVISIONAL BREED)</b>
Hungary	PULI	55	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Hungary	PUMI	56	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Hungary	MUDI	238	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Netherlands	NEDERLANDSE SCHAPENDOES	313	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Poland	POLSKI OWCZAREK NIZINNY	251	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Poland	POLSKI OWCZAREK PODHALANSKI	252	NO	YES	FCI-GWT	Livestock Guardian Dog	NO	4 CACIB
<b>Group 5 - Section 3: Nordic Watchdogs and Herders</b>								
Finland	SUOMENLAPINKOIRA	189	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB
Finland	LAPINPOROKOIRA	284	NO	YES	FCI-HWT TS	Herding Dog	YES	4 CACIB

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