



# The Löwchen Club of America

## The Lowchen Temperament

### A Directive to Judges and Breed Mentors

The Lowchen is a lively companion breed depicted as companions for nobility. Historic paintings of the Lowchen depict a sturdy and agile dog engaged with their people. With the breed function in mind, it is imperative that hallmarks and core characteristics of the breed are prioritized.

**From the standard: The Löwchen is alert, intelligent, and affectionate with the overall qualities of a loving companion dog. It has a lively, outgoing, and inquisitive personality.**

Lowchen shall present as confident and alert in the ring. The Lowchen shall move in the ring with the tail carried up in a teacup fashion demonstrating willingness and liveliness. A dropped tail while standing is not to be penalized. Exhibitors should have thoroughly acclimated their dogs to show environments to be comfortable with ring procedures and the table exam. Some leniency may be granted for young dogs that are still learning the process, but no leniency shall be granted to any dog that who lack correct Lowchen temperament.

The Lowchen shall never be aggressive or menacing. The Lowchen should never be so unconfident that it cannot be moved in the ring or examined. The Lowchen should not skitter in fright, attempt to dart away, or freeze in fear. As temperament is a hallmark of the breed, dogs displaying temperament in opposition to the standard shall be heavily penalized.

Dogs that do not possess the Lowchen hallmarks should be severely penalized to preclude placement or to warrant excusal for lack of merit or withholding of ribbons.

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