

ITALIAN GIANT FRILL (A.G.I.)

Head, Neck and "Raised Collar" 15	The head is rounded and very voluminous, in the shape of a hood that can be full or partial. The head derives its shape from the very important and typical characteristic of the A.G.I. known as the "raised collar". Along the front, the "raised collar" blends neatly with the feathers of the neck and shaped in the form of a gutter. The feathers of the neck project upwards to form from behind, around the area of the nape, the "raised collar". The beak is conical with a wide base.
Flanks 15	Well developed and symmetrical, showing no looseness, with very fine and silky feathers that rise and curve to come alongside the wings.
Size 10	Minimum length 21 cms., with proportionate type.
Plumage 10	Soft and fine, very voluminous, neat. All colours are allowed.
Mantle and Bouquet 10	Composed of very broad and long feathers that part from a point on the center of the back and extend symmetrically towards the head and over the sides, to form a "rose-shaped" mantle. Fine and silky feathers, in the form of a bouquet, fall from the rump and over both sides to complete the mantle.
Jabot and Abdomen 10	The feathers on the jabot converge upwards from both sides, in a forward manner, forming a „fan' that extends right up to the edge of the head collar, to show no cavity. From the abdomen, feathers project forwards and upwards to join up with the jabot, showing no cavities. The abdominal area appears very rough feathered.
Tail 10	Compact, very long with „square' end, showing an abundance of long cock feathers and dense under-tail coverts.
Position 5	Erect with fearless carriage, standing at an angle of not less than 60°. The tail is carried in line with the body or slightly drooped.
Wings 5	Long and even, carried close to the body. Slight crossing of the tips of the wings is allowed.
Legs 5	Sturdy legs and feet, with strong grip on the perch. Corkscrew-like nails.
General condition 5	Active, clean and healthy.

Show cage: Parisian Frill type show cage with 2 round perches 14 mm in diameter, 10 wires apart. The feeder to be placed on a slightly higher level than the perches.