

HIMALAYAN

POINTED HIMALAYANS AND NON-POINTED HIMALAYANS ARE JUDGED AS TWO SEPARATE BREEDS.

This attractive man-made breed was originally synthesized as a deliberate programme to establish a Siamese-patterned cat with both Persian coat and Persian body type. From 1970, in order to improve body type, backcrosses to Persians were allowed. The typical Non-Pointed Himalayans ("hybrids" as they were called) were often as good as the best Persians. Hybrids to hybrid matings are a sure way to improve Himalayan body and head

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (25)

(10) BODY – Medium to large. Heavily boned. Cobby, low on legs and deep in chest. Equally massive across shoulders and rump. Well rounded mid-section. Level back.

(5) LEGS – Thick and strong. Forelegs straight. Boning to range from medium to heavy.

(5) FEET – Large and round. Toes carried close together.

(5) TAIL – Short, thick and in proportion to body.

II – HEAD TYPE (30)

(20) HEAD – (5 Full Face) – Round and massive with great breadth in skull. Well rounded underlying bone structure. Forehead slightly rounded. Short thick neck. PROFILE – the head gives the appearance of the capital letter "B".

(5 Nose) – Short and broad. A deep break between the eyes. (5 Cheeks) – Full, broad but continues the rounded contours of head. (5 Chin) – Full and well developed.

(5) EARS – Small and rounded. Tilted forward slightly and not open unduly at base. Set wide apart and set low on the head fitting into the rounded contours of the head.

(5) EYES – Large, round and set far apart. Eyes free from any matter or discharge. When viewing the Himalayan face on, one should see a sweet, open expression.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (10)

Long, soft, glossy, thick and stands off from body. Ear tufts long and curved. Toe tufts long. Full tail plume.

IV – COLOUR (25)

POINTED COLOURS

(10) BODY COLOUR – Even, free from barring. Definite contrast between body colour and point colour. Allowance is to be made for darker body shading in older cats. Belly spots are allowed by preference given to cats which lack such spots.

(10) FACE COLOUR – Feet and tail are dense in colour and clearly defined. Points matched and free of barring (except in Lynx Points). Mask covers entire face, including whisker pads. The mask connects with the ears by tracings. Allowance should be made for an incomplete mask in kittens.

(5) EYE COLOUR – Deep, brilliant blue. Preference is given to depth of colour.

NON-POINTED COLOURS

(20) COLOUR – special markings. 10 points are allotted for colour and 10 points for markings. NOTE: Bi-Colour (any colour and white) Non-Pointed Himalayans are not recognized for Championship status.

(5) EYE COLOUR – coat colour.

Preference is given for depth, evenness and brilliance of colour.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (10)

Firm without being fat.

OBJECTIONS

DEDUCT

*Mismatched colour points 1- 5

*Incomplete mask (Colour points) 1- 5

*Ticking in points (Colour points) 1 - 3

*Weak eye colour 1 - 5

WITHHOLDS

*Miniature size.

*Extreme nose break which causes chronic sniffles or excessive eye discharge.

*All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOURS

Refer to Colours & Patterns appendix for complete list.

BREED ORIGIN: Hybrid

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: F1 allowed

SHOWING REQUIREMENTS: F1 allowed.

ALLOWED ANCESTRY: Himalayan,

Non-Pointed Himalayan
Persian

ALLOWED MATINGS:

Himalayan,
Non-Pointed Himalayan
Persian