

AMERICAN SHORTHAIR

The American Shorthair is a true breed of working cat. Originally known as the Domestic Shorthair, with more and more breeders taking an interest in the breed, it was renamed the American Shorthair in 1966. The general effect is that of a strongly built, well balanced, and symmetrical breed. Females may be less massive in all respects and are to be rewarded equally if overall balance is correct.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (35)

(20) BODY – Ranges from medium to large. Well knit. Slightly longer than overall height, Solidly built, powerful and muscular with well-developed shoulders, chest and hindquarters. Broad, straight level back.

(5) NECK – medium, muscular and strong.

(5) LEGS & FEET – Medium in length, medium boned. Straight legs. Paws firm, full and rounded with heavy pads.

(5) TAIL – Length, when measured along the body the tip reaches the shoulder blades. Thick at base tapering to blunt end.

II – HEAD TYPE (25)

(10) FULL FACE – Large with full cheeks. Slightly longer than wide. Sweet open expression. Muzzle squared. Strong jaw. When viewed from front, there is no dome between ears.

(5) PROFILE – Nose medium length. Gentle concave curve from bridge of nose of forehead.

(5) EARS – Medium in size slightly rounded at tips and not unduly opened at base. Set on corner of square.

(5) EYES – Large, wide set with width of one eye between the eyes. Set oblique. Shape – almond on top, round on bottom. Bright, clear and alert.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (5)

Short, thick, lustrous, hard in texture and even length.

IV – COLOUR (25)

(20) COAT COLOUR – See Colour Description for more details.

(5) EYE COLOUR – Ranges from copper to green (except blue or odd eyed in Whites). Eye colour does not relate to coat colour.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (10)

Hard and muscular giving a general appearance of power and activity.

OBJECTIONS

- * Excessive cobbiness or ranginess.
- * Very short tail.

DEDUCT

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WITHHOLDS

- * Long or fluffy fur, deep nose break, bulging eye set, brow ridge.
- * Any features so exaggerated as to foster weakness.
- * All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOURS

Refer to Colours & Patterns for a complete list.

BREED ORIGIN:	Natural
REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:	No Foundation
SHOWING REQUIREMENTS:	No Foundation
ALLOWED ANCESTRY:	American Shorthair
ALLOWED MATINGS:	American Shorthair

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(Fill in the blanks with the appropriate colour code)

MALEAS 3**FEMALE**AS 4**EYE COLOUR:**

The accepted eye colour for the majority of coat colours within the American Shorthair breed is gold. Exceptions to the aforementioned eye colours are: Shaded or Chinchilla Silver are required to have green eyes. Shaded or Chinchilla Golden may have green or hazel eye colour. Any of the Tabby Silver colours including the Patched Tabby Silver colours are allowed to have gold, green or hazel eye colour. The occurrence of blue-eyed or odd-eyed Bi-colours or Vans is allowed.

SOLID

BLACK	005XXX
BLUE	006XXX
CREAM	008XXX
RED	007XXX
WHITE (BLUE EYED)	001XXX
WHITE (GOLD EYED)	068XXX
WHITE (ODD EYED) blue eye / gold eye	003XXX

SMOKE / SHADED / CHINCHILLA / SHELL

BLACK SMOKE	005CXX
BLUE SMOKE	006CXX
CAMEO SMOKE (red smoke)	010CXX
CREAM CAMEO SMOKE (cream smoke)	066CXX

BLUE SHADED	006BXX
CAMEO SHADED (red shaded)	010BXX
CREAM CAMEO SHADED (cream shaded)	066BXX
SILVER SHADED	021BXX

BLUE CHINCHILLA	006AXX
SILVER CHINCHILLA	021AXX

CAMEO SHELL (red chinchilla)	010DXX
CREAM CAMEO SHELL (cream chinchilla)	066DXX

BLUE CREAM SMOKE	013CXX
TORTOISESHELL SMOKE	012CXX

BLUE CREAM SHADED	013BXX
TORTOISESHELL SHADED	012BXX

BLUE CREAM CHINCHILLA	013AXX
TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA	012AXX

TABBY/TORTIE

BLUE CLASSIC TABBY	006EXX
BLUE MACKEREL TABBY	006FXX
BLUE SPOTTED TABBY	006GXX
BLUE TICKED TABBY	006HXX
BROWN CLASSIC TABBY	025EXX
BROWN MACKEREL TABBY	025FXX
BROWN SPOTTED TABBY	025GXX
BROWN TICKED TABBY	025HXX

CREAM CLASSIC TABBY	008EXX
CREAM MACKEREL TABBY	008FXX
CREAM SPOTTED TABBY	008GXX
CREAM TICKED TABBY	008HXX

RED CLASSIC TABBY	007EXX
RED MACKEREL TABBY	007FXX
RED SPOTTED TABBY	007GXX
RED TICKED TABBY	007HXX

BLUE SILVER CLASSIC TABBY	051EXX
BLUE SILVER MACKEREL TABBY	051FXX
BLUE SILVER SPOTTED TABBY	051GXX
BLUE SILVER TICKED TABBY	051HXX
CAMEO CLASSIC TABBY (red silver)	010EXX
CAMEO MACKEREL TABBY (red silver)	010FXX
CAMEO SPOTTED TABBY (red silver)	010GXX
CAMEO TICKED TABBY (red silver)	010HXX
CREAM CAMEO CLASSIC TABBY (cream silver)	066EXX
CREAM CAMEO MACKEREL TABBY (cream silver)	066FXX
CREAM CAMEO SPOTTED TABBY (cream silver)	066GXX
CREAM CAMEO TICKED TABBY (cream silver)	066HXX
SILVER CLASSIC TABBY	021EXX
SILVER MACKEREL TABBY	021FXX
SILVER SPOTTED TABBY	021GXX
SILVER TICKED TABBY	021HXX

BLUE PATCHED CLASSIC TABBY	006JEX
BLUE PATCHED MACKEREL TABBY	006JFX
BLUE PATCHED SPOTTED TABBY	006JGX
BLUE PATCHED TICKED TABBY	006JHX
BROWN PATCHED CLASSIC TABBY	025JEX
BROWN PATCHED MACKEREL TABBY	025JFX
BROWN PATCHED SPOTTED TABBY	025JGX
BROWN PATCHED TICKED TABBY	025JHX

BLUE SILVER PATCHED CLASSIC TABBY	051JEX
BLUE SILVER PATCHED MACKEREL TABBY	051JFX
BLUE SILVER PATCHED SPOTTED TABBY	051JGX
BLUE SILVER PATCHED TICKED TABBY	051JHX
SILVER PATCHED CLASSIC TABBY	021JEX
SILVER PATCHED MACKEREL TABBY	021JFX
SILVER PATCHED SPOTTED TABBY	021JGX
SILVER PATCHED TICKED TABBY	021JHX

BLUE CREAM	013XXX
TORTOISESHELL	012XXX

BI-COLOUR

The bi-colour pattern consists of a coat of colour/pattern with the addition of white. Ideally the 4 paws and legs, belly and chest are white, with white on the face and chin.

The occurrence of **blue-eyed or odd-eyed Parti-colour cats** is allowed.

To register substitute the first letter 'X' (which appears below) with either 'Y' for blue-eyed OR 'Z' for odd-eyed eye colour. (i.e., **Black & White Blue-eyed** colour code would be 005MYX while a **Black & White Odd-eyed** would be 005MZX).

BLACK & WHITE	005MXX
BLUE & WHITE	006MXX
CREAM & WHITE	008MXX
RED & WHITE	007MXX

BLACK SMOKE & WHITE	005CMX
BLUE SMOKE & WHITE	006CMX
CAMEO SMOKE & WHITE (red smoke & white)	010CMX
CREAM CAMEO SMOKE & WHITE (cream smoke & white)	066CMX

BLUE SHADED & WHITE	006BMX
CAMEO SHADED & WHITE (red shaded & white)	010BMX
CREAM CAMEO SHADED & WHITE (cream shaded & white)	066BMX
SILVER SHADED & WHITE	021BMX

BLUE CHINCHILLA & WHITE	006AMX
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SILVER CHINCHILLA & WHITE	021AMX
CAMEO SHELL & WHITE (red chinchilla & white)	010DMX
CREAM CAMEO SHELL & WHITE (cream chinchilla & white)	066DMX

BLUE CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE	006EMX
BLUE MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE	006FMX
BLUE SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE	006GMX
BLUE TICKED TABBY & WHITE	006HMX
BROWN CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE	025EMX
BROWN MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE	025FMX
BROWN SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE	025GMX
BROWN TICKED TABBY & WHITE	025HMX
CREAM CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE	008EMX
CREAM MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE	008FMX
CREAM SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE	008GMX
CREAM TICKED TABBY & WHITE	008HMX
RED CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE	007EMX
RED MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE	007FMX
RED SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE	007GMX
RED TICKED TABBY & WHITE	007HMX

BLUE SILVER CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE	051EMX
BLUE SILVER MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE	051FMX
BLUE SILVER SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE	051GMX
BLUE SILVER TICKED TABBY & WHITE	051HMX
CAMEO CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE (red silver)	010EMX
CAMEO MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE (red silver)	010FMX
CAMEO SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE (red silver)	010GMX
CAMEO TICKED TABBY & WHITE (red silver)	010HMX
CREAM CAMEO CLASS. TABBY & WHITE (cream silver)	066EMX
CREAM CAMEO MACK. TABBY & WHITE (cream silver)	066FMX
CREAM CAMEO SPOT. TABBY & WHITE (cream silver)	066GMX
CREAM CAMEO TICKED TABBY & WHITE (cream silver)	066HMX
SILVER CLASSIC TABBY & WHITE	021EMX
SILVER MACKEREL TABBY & WHITE	021FMX
SILVER SPOTTED TABBY & WHITE	021GMX
SILVER TICKED TABBY & WHITE	021HMX

BLUE CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	006EVX
BLUE MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	006FVX
BLUE SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	006GVX
BLUE TICKED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	006HVX
BROWN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	025EVX
BROWN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	025FVX
BROWN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	025GVX
BROWN TICKED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	025HVX

BLUE SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	051EVX
BLUE SILVER MACK. PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	051FVX
BLUE SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	051GVX
BLUE SILVER TICKED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	051HVX
SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	021EVX
SILVER MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	021FVX
SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	021GVX
SILVER TICKED PATCHED TABBY & WHITE	021HVX

BLUE CREAM & WHITE	013MXX
TORTOISESHELL & WHITE	012MXX

BLUE CREAM SMOKE & WHITE	013CMX
TORTOISESHELL SMOKE & WHITE	012CMX

BLUE CREAM SHADED & WHITE	013BMX
TORTOISESHELL SHADED & WHITE	012BMX

BLUE CREAM CHINCHILLA & WHITE	013AMX
TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA & WHITE	012AMX

CALICO

Calico pattern is composed of large separate spots of 2 different colours—one of which must be red or cream—on a white cat. The occurrence of **blue-eyed or odd-eyed Calico cats** is allowed. **To register substitute** the first letter ‘X’ (which appears below) with either ‘Y’ for blue-eyed OR ‘Z’ for odd-eyed eye colour. (i.e., the colour code for a **Calico Blue-eyed** would be 019YXX while the code for a **Calico Odd-eyed** would be 019ZXX)

CALICO	019XXX
DILUTE CALICO	020XXX

CALICO SMOKE	019CXX
DILUTE CALICO SMOKE	020CXX

PATTERNED CALICO is a calico with tabby markings seen in the non-red/cream colour areas (i.e., separate brown tabby areas and separate red/cream areas) in order to qualify as a **Patterned Calico**. Cats which have tabby markings appearing **ONLY** in the red or cream areas should be registered as a normal Calico in the appropriate colour combination. **Patterned Calicos do NOT require a specific tabby pattern as part of their code.**

BROWN CALICO PATTERNED	120SXX
(brown tabby areas & red/cream areas on a white cat)	
DILUTE CALICO PATTERNED	020SXX
(blue tabby areas & cream areas on a white cat)	

CALICO SILVER PATTERNED	019QXX
(silver tabby areas & red/cream silver areas on a white cat)	
DILUTE CALICO SILVER PATTERNED	020QXX
(blue silver tabby areas & cream silver areas on a white cat)	

VAN

The Van pattern consists of a WHITE cat with colour restricted to the head and tail. One or two small spots of colour on the body is allowed.

The occurrence of **blue-eyed or odd-eyed Van cats** is allowed. **To register substitute** the first letter ‘X’ (which appears below) with either ‘Y’ for blue-eyed OR ‘Z’ for odd-eyed eye colour. (i.e., the colour code for a **Black Van Blue-eyed** would be 005LYX and a **Black Van Odd-eyed** would be 005LZX)

BLACK VAN	005LXX
BLUE VAN	006LXX
CREAM VAN	008LXX
RED VAN	007LXX

BLACK SMOKE VAN	005CLX
BLUE SMOKE VAN	006CLX
CAMEO SMOKE VAN (red silver)	010CLX
CREAM CAMEO SMOKE VAN (cream silver)	066CLX

Tabby & Patched Tabby Vans do NOT require a specific tabby pattern as part of their code.

BLUE TABBY VAN	006WXX
BROWN TABBY VAN	025WXX
CREAM TABBY VAN	008WXX
RED TABBY VAN	007WXX

BLUE SILVER TABBY VAN	051WXX
CAMEO TABBY VAN (red silver)	010WXX
CREAM CAMEO TABBY VAN (cream silver)	066WXX
SILVER TABBY VAN	021WXX

BLUE PATCHED TABBY VAN	006JLX
BROWN PATCHED TABBY VAN	025JLX

BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY VAN	051JLX
SILVER PATCHED TABBY VAN	021JLX

BLUE CREAM VAN	013LXX
TORTOISESHELL VAN	012LXX

BLUE CREAM SMOKE VAN	013CLX
TORTOISESHELL SMOKE VAN	012CLX

CALICO VAN	019LXX
DILUTE CALICO VAN	020LXX

CALICO SMOKE VAN	019CLX
DILUTE CALICO SMOKE VAN	020CLX