

BURMESE

The overall impression of the ideal Burmese is that of a compact, muscular, satin-coated cat of rich, solid colour and substantial bone structure with surprising weight for its size. Its cobby body, inquisitive, sweet-faced expression and bear-like walk makes it a unique breed.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (35)

(25) **BODY** – Medium in size, compact and muscular with stocky boning. Body structure is broad and short, coupled with a broad, rounded chest, heavy flanks and level back. Short thick neck.

(5) **LEGS & FEET** – Legs wide set, sturdy, proportionately short with solid, rounded feet. Claws may be partially non-retractable.

(5) **TAIL** – Proportionately short and heavily muscled with a blunt end.

II – HEAD TYPE (25)

(15) **FULL FACE** – Rounded and full, without flat planes, whether viewed from front or side. Considerable width exists between eyes. Muzzle is broad, short and well developed. In profile, a definite nose break is evident.

(5) **EARS** – Medium in size, tilting forward with slightly rounded tips.

(5) **EYES** – Large, round and set far apart.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (10)

Fine, short, close-lying, glossy coat.

IV – COLOUR (25)

(20) **BODY COLOUR** – Slight shading on face and ears not to be penalized. This is more prominent on the Blue and Champagne colours.

(5) **EYE COLOUR** – Eye colour ranges from yellow to gold; the greater depth and brilliance the better. Greenish eyes are a fault.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (5)

Hard and muscular, with no evidence of obesity, paunchiness, weakness or apathy.

OBJECTIONS

	DEDUCT
* Deep stop in nose.	5-10
* Indentation between eyes.	5-10
* Faint barring.	5-10
* Thick coat or coarse texture.	2-3
* Greenish eyes.	1-3

NOTE: For greenish eyes, some allowance should be given to kittens as well as to cats over the age of three years.

WITHHOLDS

- * Strong barring.
- * Definite leg gauntlets on Champagne.
- * Brown or honey-beige colour on face, ears, legs or tail (Platinum).
- * Kittens showing medium grey instead of a very pale silver (Platinum).
- * Cream coloured cat not showing a definite silvery-grey (Platinum).
- * Blue Eyes.
- * All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOURS

Blue, Champagne, Platinum, Sable

BREED ORIGIN:	Established
REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:	No Foundation Allowed
SHOWING REQUIREMENTS:	No Foundation Allowed
ALLOWED ANCESTRY:	Burmese
ALLOWED MATINGS:	Burmese

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BLUE

CHAMPAGNE

PLATINUM

SABLE

Applicable to all Burmese: Slight shading on the face and ears is not to be penalized. This shading is more prominent on the Blue and Champagne Burmese.

BLUE

Coat: Rich, sound, even gray-blue of velvety texture, characterized by a high sheen which gives the illusion of iridescence. Undersides are paler in colour than the back.

Nose Leather: Blue-gray.

Paw Pads: Blue-gray with pinkish tinge.

Eye Colour: Yellow to Gold.

Objections: Faint barring. Greenish eye colour.

Withhold Awards: Strong Barring.

CHAMPAGNE

Coat: Sound, warm beige shading to a pale gold tan underside. A gradual darkening in older specimens is allowed. Emphasis is to be placed on evenness of colour.

Nose Leather: Light warm-brown.

Paw Pads: Warm pinkish-tan.

Eye Colour: Yellow to Gold.

Objections: Faint barring. Greenish eye colour.

Withhold Awards: Strong Barring. Definite leg gauntlets.

PLATINUM

Coat: Pale Silvery-gray colour with seasonal fawn overtones, shading to lighter tones on the undersides. A slight darkening of the face and ears is permissible. A gradual darkening in older specimens is allowed as long as the coat remains a distinct silver.

Nose Leather: Warm lavender-pink.

Paw Pads: Warm lavender-pink.

Eye Colour: Yellow to Gold.

Objections: Faint barring. Greenish eye colour.

Withhold Awards: Strong Barring. Brown or honey beige on the face, ears, legs, or tail. Kittens with coats that are medium gray instead of a very pale silver Cream coloured cats not showing a definite silvery-gray colour.

SABLE

Coat: Rich warm brown which shades almost imperceptibly to a lighter hue on the underparts. Allowance to be made for lighter colour in kittens and adolescents.

Nose Leather: Dark Brown.

Eye Colour: Yellow to Gold.

Paw Pads: Dark Brown.

Objections: Faint barring. Greenish eye colour.

Withhold Awards: Strong Barring.

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