

EXOTIC

LONGHAIRS AND SHORTHAIRES ARE JUDGED AS TWO SEPARATE BREEDS.

The Exotic Shorthair displays all the attributes of the Persian except the lack of a long flowing coat. The Exotic Longhair displays all the attributes of the Persian. Exotics were developed by crossing Persians with American Shorthairs. Like the Persian, the Exotic has a compact, short-legged build with a short, pushed in face. From the American Shorthair the Exotic Shorthair gained the shorter coat, which is, however, much thicker and somewhat longer than that of other shorthair breeds.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (20)

(5) SHAPE – Cobby body type. Exotics are low on the legs, deep in chest, equally massive across the shoulder and rump, with a short well rounded thorax and abdomen.

(5) SIZE – Medium to large in size. Quality is to be considered over size.

(5) LEGS – Legs are short, thick and strong. Straight forelegs. Paws are large, round and firm.

(5) TAIL – Tail is short, but in proportion with body length.

II – HEAD TYPE (40)

(5) SKULL – The skull is round and massive with great breadth. The face is round with round underlying bone structure. The skull is well set on a short neck. The doming or forehead should be smooth to the feel with no lumps and have a rounded appearance from the side. Smoothness of the forehead/doming is paramount.

(5) PROFILE — From the side, the face should appear flat with neither the nose nor muzzle being prominent. Nose should not be indented inward past the vertical plane. Forehead rounds outwards without a flat plain. Eyes should not bulge unduly past the vertical plain.

(5) NOSE – Short, snub and broad nose with a decided break between the eyes.

(5) CHEEKS – Cheeks are full.

(5) JAWS – Jaws are broad and powerful.

(5) CHIN – Chin is full and well developed.

(5) EARS – Ears are small, round tipped, tilted forward and not unduly open at the base. Set far apart and low on the head fitting into the rounded contour of the head.

(5) EYES – Eyes are large, round and full. They are set far apart and appear brilliant. Eyes are alert and sweet. Eye colour is to conform with coat colour. Preference is given to depth, brilliance and evenness of eye colour.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (20)

SHORTHAIR: Coat is dense, plush, soft in texture, full of life and stands out from the body due to the density. Coat is not flat or close lying. Medium length, slightly longer than in other short haired cats, but not long enough to flow. Fur on the tail should not lie flat and should stand away

from the tailbone resembling a bottle brush in appearance.

LONGHAIR: The coat should be long, fine in texture, glossy, full of life and should stand off from the body. Ruff should be immense and continue in a deep frill between the front legs. The ear tufts are long and curved. Toe tufts are long. The tail plume is very full.

IV – COLOUR (10)

Points for cats with special markings or patterns should be divided into 5 points for colour and 5 points for markings.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (10)

The overall condition of the cat is firm without being fat. The cat when viewed as a whole gives a totally well-balanced round appearance. Excellence in one aspect shall not offset deficiency in another aspect.

OBJECTIONS

DEDUCT

* Large pointed ears.	1-3
* Small or almond shape eyes.	1-3
* Weak eye colour.	1-3
* Delicate bone structure.	2-5
* Flat or close lying coat.	2-5
* Closed nostrils, tiny pinhole nostrils and or breathing through the mouth.	2-5
Nostrils not large enough to breathe through.	

WITHHOLDS

- * White lockets or buttons.
- * In pointed cats, eye colour other than blue.
- * Lack of nose break.
- * 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. AOV allowed.
SHOWING REQUIREMENTS:	F1 allowed. AOV allowed.
ALLOWED ANCESTRY:	Exotic (LH & SH), Persian, Himalayan, Non-Pointed Himalayan
ALLOWED MATINGS:	Exotic (LH & SH), Persian, Himalayan, Non-Pointed Himalayan

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SOLID

BLACK
 BLUE
 CHOCOLATE
 CREAM
 LILAC
 RED
 BLUE-EYED WHITE
 COPPER-EYED WHITE
 ODD-EYED WHITE

SMOKE

BLACK SMOKE
 BLUE SMOKE
 CAMEO SMOKE
 CHOCOLATE SMOKE
 CREAM CAMEO SMOKE
 LILAC SMOKE

TORTOISESHELL SMOKE

BLUE-CREAM SMOKE
 CHOCOLATE TORTIE SMOKE
 LILAC-CREAM SMOKE
 TORTOISESHELL SMOKE

SHADED

BLUE SHADED
 CAMEO SHADED
 CHOCOLATE SHADED
 CREAM CAMEO SHADED
 LILAC SHADED
 SILVER SHADED

SHADED PEWTER

BLUE SHADED PEWTER
 SILVER SHADED PEWTER

TORTOISESHELL SHADED

BLUE-CREAM SHADED
 CHOCOLATE TORTIE SHADED
 LILAC-CREAM SHADED
 TORTOISESHELL SHADED

CHINCHILLA

BLUE CHINCHILLA
 CAMEO CHINCHILLA
 CHOCOLATE CHINCHILLA
 CREAM CAMEO CHINCHILLA
 LILAC CHINCHILLA
 SILVER CHINCHILLA

CHINCHILLA PEWTER

BLUE CHINCHILLA PEWTER
 SILVER CHINCHILLA PEWTER

TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA

BLUE-CREAM CHINCHILLA
 CHOCOLATE TORTIE CHINCHILLA
 LILAC-CREAM CHINCHILLA
 TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA

GOLDEN SHADED

BLUE GOLDEN SHADED
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN SHADED
 CREAM GOLDEN SHADED
 LILAC GOLDEN SHADED
 GOLDEN SHADED
 RED GOLDEN SHADED

GOLDEN SHADED PEWTER

BLUE GOLDEN SHADED PEWTER
 SILVER GOLDEN SHADED PEWTER

TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN SHADED

BLUE-CREAM GOLDEN SHADED
 CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN SHADED
 LILAC-CREAM GOLDEN SHADED
 TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN SHADED

GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

BLUE GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
 CREAM GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
 LILAC GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
 GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
 RED GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

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GOLDEN CHINCHILLA PEWTER

BLUE GOLDEN CHINCHILLA PEWTER
SILVER GOLDEN CHINCHILLA PEWTER

TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

BLUE-CREAM GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
LILAC-CREAM GOLDEN CHINCHILLA
TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

CLASSIC TABBY

BLUE CLASSIC TABBY
BROWN CLASSIC TABBY
CHOCOLATE CLASSIC TABBY
CREAM CLASSIC TABBY
LILAC CLASSIC TABBY
RED CLASSIC TABBY

MACKEREL TABBY

BLUE MACKEREL TABBY
BROWN MACKEREL TABBY
CHOCOLATE MACKEREL TABBY
CREAM MACKEREL TABBY
LILAC MACKEREL TABBY
RED MACKEREL TABBY

SPOTTED TABBY

BLUE SPOTTED TABBY
BROWN SPOTTED TABBY
CHOCOLATE SPOTTED TABBY
CREAM SPOTTED TABBY
LILAC SPOTTED TABBY
RED SPOTTED TABBY

SILVER CLASSIC TABBY

BLUE SILVER CLASSIC TABBY
CAMEO CLASSIC TABBY
CHOCOLATE SILVER CLASSIC TABBY
CREAM CAMEO CLASSIC TABBY
LILAC SILVER CLASSIC TABBY
SILVER CLASSIC TABBY

SILVER MACKEREL TABBY

BLUE SILVER MACKEREL TABBY
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CHOCOLATE SILVER MACKEREL TABBY
CREAM CAMEO MACKEREL TABBY
LILAC SILVER MACKEREL TABBY
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SILVER SPOTTED TABBY

BLUE SILVER SPOTTED TABBY
CAMEO SPOTTED TABBY
CHOCOLATE SILVER SPOTTED TABBY
CREAM CAMEO SPOTTED TABBY
LILAC SILVER SPOTTED TABBY
SILVER SPOTTED TABBY

GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY

BLUE GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY
CHOCOLATE GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY
CREAM GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY
LILAC GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY
GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY
RED GOLDEN CLASSIC TABBY

GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY

BLUE GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY
CHOCOLATE GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY
CREAM GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY
LILAC GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY
GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY
RED GOLDEN MACKEREL TABBY

GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY

BLUE GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY
CHOCOLATE GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY
CREAM GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY
LILAC GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY
GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY
RED GOLDEN SPOTTED TABBY

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CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY

BLUE CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 BROWN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY

MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY

BLUE MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 BROWN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY

SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY

BLUE SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 BROWN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY

SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY

BLUE SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 SILVER CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY

SILVER MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY

BLUE SILVER MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE SILVER MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC SILVER MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 SILVER MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY

SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY

BLUE SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 SILVER SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY

GOLDEN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY

BLUE GOLDEN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 GOLDEN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC GOLDEN CLASSIC PATCHED TABBY

GOLDEN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY

BLUE GOLDEN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 GOLDEN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC GOLDEN MACKEREL PATCHED TABBY

GOLDEN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY

BLUE GOLDEN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 GOLDEN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY
 LILAC GOLDEN SPOTTED PATCHED TABBY

TORTOISESHELL

BLUE-CREAM
 CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL
 LILAC-CREAM
 TORTOISESHELL

BI-COLOUR COMBINATIONS

All established colours and patterns **with the addition of white** (preferred minimum the cat should have white feet, legs, undersides, chest, and muzzle—ideally an inverted ‘V’). Solids, Smokes, Shaded, Shaded Pewter, Chinchillas, Chinchilla Pewter, Golden Shaded, Golden Shaded Pewter, Golden Chinchillas, Golden Chinchilla Pewter, Tabbies, Silver Tabbies, Golden Tabbies, Patched Tabbies, Silver Patched Tabbies, Golden Patched Tabbies, Tortoiseshells, Tortoiseshell Smokes, Tortoiseshell Shaded, Tortoiseshell Chinchillas, Tortoiseshell Golden Shaded, Tortoiseshell Golden Chinchillas

Eye colours for the Bi-colour patterns is copper, blue, odd-eyed, which are judged as separate colour classes based on the eye colour. **EXCEPTION:** the following colours with white may also have green or hazel eye colour as well as odd-eyes (one eye must be blue): Shaded, Shaded Pewter, Chinchillas, Chinchilla Pewter, Golden Shaded, Golden Shaded Pewter, Golden Chinchillas, Golden Chinchilla Pewter, Silver Tabbies, Golden Tabbies, Silver Patched Tabbies, Golden Patched Tabbies.

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CALICO

All established colours and patterns distributed as described for the Calico pattern (a tri-colour cat with un-brindled medium to large patches of SOLID colour and red, or DILUTE colour and cream on a white background). Calico, Dilute Calico, Calico Smoke, Calico Shaded, Calico Chinchilla, Calico Golden Shaded, Calico Golden Chinchilla, Patterned Calico, Patterned Silver Calico, Patterned Golden Calico. Eye colour is Copper, Blue, Odd-eyed (one blue eye and one copper). EXCEPTION: the following colours may also have green or hazel eye colour as well as odd-eyes (one blue eye and one green, hazel, or copper eye): Shaded, Shaded Pewter, Chinchilla, Chinchilla Pewter, Golden Shaded, Golden Shaded Pewter, Golden Chinchilla, Golden Chinchilla Pewter, Silver Tabbies, Golden Tabbies, Silver Patched Tabbies, Golden Patched Tabbies.

VAN

All established colours and patterns distributed as described for the Van pattern (face and body predominantly white with colour restricted to the head and tail. One or two small spots of colour on the body are allowed): Solids, Smokes, Shaded, Chinchilla, Golden Shaded, Golden Chinchilla, Tabby, Silver Tabby, Golden Tabby, Patched Tabby, Silver Patched Tabby, Golden Patched Tabby, Tortoiseshell, Tortoiseshell Smoke, Tortoiseshell Shaded, Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Tortoiseshell Golden Shaded, Tortoiseshell Golden Chinchilla. Eye colours for the Van patterns is copper, blue, odd-eyed (one blue and one copper). EXCEPTION: the following colours may also have green or hazel eye colour as well as odd-eyes (one eye must be blue): Shaded, Shaded Pewter, Chinchilla, Chinchilla Pewter, Golden Shaded, Golden Shaded Pewter, Golden Chinchilla, Golden Chinchilla Pewter, Silver Tabby, Golden Tabby, Silver Patched Tabby, Golden Patched Tabby.

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SOLID POINT

BLUE POINT
 CHOCOLATE POINT
 CREAM POINT
 FLAME POINT
 LILAC POINT
 SEAL POINT

TORTOISESHELL POINT

BLUE-CREAM POINT
 CHOCOLATE TORTIE POINT
 LILAC-CREAM POINT
 SEAL TORTIE POINT

LYNX POINT

BLUE LYNX POINT
 CHOCOLATE LYNX POINT
 CREAM LYNX POINT
 FLAME LYNX POINT
 LILAC LYNX POINT
 SEAL LYNX POINT

TORTIE LYNX POINT

BLUE-CREAM LYNX POINT
 CHOCOLATE TORTIE LYNX POINT
 LILAC-CREAM LYNX POINT
 SEAL TORTIE LYNX POINT

SMOKE POINT

BLUE SMOKE POINT
 CHOCOLATE SMOKE POINT
 CREAM SMOKE POINT
 FLAME SMOKE POINT
 LILAC SMOKE POINT
 SEAL SMOKE POINT

TORTOISESHELL SMOKE POINT

BLUE-CREAM SMOKE POINT
 CHOCOLATE TORTIE SMOKE POINT
 LILAC-CREAM SMOKE POINT
 SEAL TORTIE SMOKE POINT

SILVER LYNX POINT

BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT
 CHOCOLATE SILVER LYNX POINT
 CREAM SILVER LYNX POINT
 FLAME SILVER LYNX POINT
 LILAC SILVER LYNX POINT
 SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT

TORTIE SILVER LYNX POINT

BLUE-CREAM SILVER LYNX POINT
 CHOCOLATE SILVER TORTIE LYNX POINT
 LILAC-CREAM SILVER LYNX POINT
 SEAL TORTIE SILVER LYNX POINT

GOLDEN LYNX POINT

BLUE GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 CREAM GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 FLAME GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 LILAC GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 SEAL GOLDEN LYNX POINT

TORTIE GOLDEN LYNX POINT

BLUE-CREAM GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 CHOCOLATE GOLDEN TORTIE LYNX POINT
 LILAC-CREAM GOLDEN LYNX POINT
 SEAL TORTIE GOLDEN LYNX POINT

POINTED BI-COLOUR

BLUE POINT & WHITE
 CHOCOLATE POINT & WHITE
 CREAM POINT & WHITE
 FLAME POINT & WHITE
 LILAC POINT & WHITE
 SEAL POINT & WHITE

All established POINT colours and patterns with the addition of white for Solid Points, Smoke Points, Lynx Points, Silver Lynx Points, Golden Lynx Points, Tortie Points, Tortie Smoke Points, Tortie Lynx Points, Silver Tortie Lynx Points, Golden Tortie Lynx Points. Eye colour for the Pointed Bi-colour patterns is BLUE.

All Shaded Points & Chinchilla Points including with white are registered as AOV (Any Other Variety).

Traditional eye colour is copper. EXCEPTIONS are Shaded and Chinchilla colours where the eye colour is green to blue-green. Silver tabby may have copper, gold, or green eye colour. Bi-colour and Van patterns may have blue, copper, or odd-eye. Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

SOLID COLOURS

BLACK

Coat: Clear lustrous jet black, sound from root to tip.

Nose Leather: Black.

Paw Pads: Black.

Objections: Smokey undercoat or rust tinge.

BLUE

Coat: Even shade of blue sound from root to tip. Lighter shades preferred.

Nose Leather: Blue.

Paw Pads: Blue.

Objections: Shading. Tabby markings. Rust tinge. Lighter undercoat. Drab lifeless colour.

CHOCOLATE

Coat: Clear chocolate brown sound from root to tip.

Nose Leather: Brown with pinkish tinge.

Paw Pads: Brown with pinkish tinge.

Objections: Tabby markings.

CREAM

Coat: Clear buff cream sound from root to tip. Lighter shades preferred.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

Objections: Tabby markings. Lighter colour around eyes, nose, lips, chin and upper throat.

LILAC

Coat: Clear warm lavender- pink from root to tip.

Nose Leather: lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

RED

Coat: Clear brilliant red sound from root to tip.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

Objections: Shading. Barring. Ticking or tabby markings. Lighter colour around eyes, nose, lips, chin, and upper throat.

WHITE

Coat: Pure white sound from root to tip.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

Eye Colour: Blue, copper, odd eyed

Objections: Staining or off-white tinges.

Allowances: A dark cap (patch) of another colour on the head is not to be considered a fault in young cats (under one year of age). Deafness although undesirable is not penalized.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

Traditional eye colour is copper. EXCEPTIONS are silver, golden, blue silver, blue golden in the Shaded and Chinchilla class where the eye colour is green to blue-green. Shaded Pewter and Chinchilla Pewter eye colour is gold. Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

SHADED

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Coat: White undercoat (Goldens have a rich warm honey cream undercoat.). Coat on back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with an established colour or pattern from dark on the ridge to white (or cream for Goldens) on the chin, chest, stomach, and under the tail. Shaded cats are darker (greater amount of pigment on tips/hair shaft) than Chinchillas (or Shells). Legs to be the same tone as face. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Conform to the established colour standards.

Paw Pads: Conform to the established colour standards.

Eye Colour: Silver Shaded and Golden Shaded colours have green or blue-green eyes. Silver Shaded Pewter and Golden Shaded Pewter colours have gold eyes.

BLUE SHADED

BLUE SHADED PEWTER

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with blue, from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose.

Paw Pads: Blue or rose

Eye Colour: Blue Shaded: Green or blue-green.
Blue Shaded Pewter: Gold.

BLUE SHADED GOLDEN

BLUE SHADED GOLDEN PEWTER

Coat: Ivory to pale honey undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with blue to enhance golden colour. Ivory to pale honey colour on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as face. Rims of eyes, lips, and nose outlined with blue. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose outlined with blue.

Paw Pads: Blue or rose.

Eye Colour: Blue Shaded-Golden: Green or blue-green.
Blue Shaded Golden Pewter: Gold.

CAMEO SHADED

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with red, from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose pink.

Paw Pads: Rose pink.

RED SHADED GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with red. Honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

CHOCOLATE SHADED

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with chocolate. White on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

²⁰²⁵ **Nose Leather:** Brown.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon-pink.

CHOCOLATE SHADED GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with chocolate. Honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brown.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon-pink.

CREAM CAMEO SHADED

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with cream. White on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

CREAM SHADED GOLDEN

Coat: Pale honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with cream. Pale honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brown.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon-pink.

GOLDEN SHADED

GOLDEN SHADED PEWTER

Coat: Warm pale honey to bright apricot undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with black (darker than a Chinchilla). Dilute colour (much lighter than undercoat) on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Rims of eyes, lips, and nose outlined with black. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Deep rose outlined with black.

Paw Pads: Black.

Eye Colour: Golden Shaded: Green or blue-green.
Golden Shaded Pewter: Gold.

LILAC SHADED SILVER

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with lilac. White on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

LILAC SHADED GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with lilac. Pale honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shaded cats are darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

SILVER SHADED

SILVER SHADED PEWTER

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with black, from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as face. Rims of eyes, lips, and nose outlined with black. Shaded cats are

darker than Chinchillas or Shells. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brick red outlined with black.

Paw Pads: Black.

Eye Colour: Silver Shaded: Green or blue-green.
Silver Shaded Pewter: Gold.

CHINCHILLA / SHELL

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Coat: White undercoat (Goldens have a rich warm cream undercoat). Coat on back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with an established colour or pattern to give the sparkling appearance necessary. Legs may be slightly shaded with tipping. Chin, stomach and chest are white (cream for Goldens). Chinchillas (or Shells) are lighter than Shaded (significantly less pigment on hair tips and shaft). Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose leather: Conform to the established colour standards.

Paw Pads: Conform to the established colour standards.

Eye Colour: The traditional eye colour is Copper.
EXCEPTIONS: Silver Chinchilla, Golden Chinchilla, Blue Chinchilla, Blue Golden Chinchilla have green or blue-green eyes. Silver Chinchilla Pewter, Golden Chinchilla Pewter, Blue Chinchilla Pewter, Blue Golden Chinchilla Pewter have gold eye colour.

BLUE CHINCHILLA

BLUE CHINCHILLA PEWTER

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with blue. Legs may be slightly shaded with blue tipping. Chin, stomach and chest are white. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose outlined with blue.

Paw Pads: Blue or rose.

Eye Colour: Blue Chinchilla Silver: Green or blue-green.
Blue Chinchilla Silver Pewter: Gold.

BLUE GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

BLUE GOLDEN CHINCHILLA PEWTER

Coat: Pale ivory to creamed honey undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with blue to enhance the golden colour. Legs may be shaded with blue tipping. Rims of eyes, lips, and nose outlined with blue. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose outlined with blue.

Paw Pads: Blue or rose.

Eye Colour: Blue Golden Chinchilla: Green or blue-green.
Blue Golden Chinchilla Pewter: Gold.

CAMEO SHELL

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with red. Legs may be slightly shaded with red tipping. Chin, stomach and chest are white. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose pink.

Paw Pads: Rose pink.

RED CHINCHILLA GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with red. Honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Chinchilla cats are lighter than Shaded. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

GOLDEN CHINCHILLA PEWTER

Coat: Warm pale honey to light apricot undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with black to enhance golden appearance. Legs and end of tail may be slightly shaded with black tipping. Rims of eyes, lips, and nose outlined with black. Chin, stomach and chest are dilute in colour (lighter than undercoat colour). Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Deep rose outlined with black..

Paw Pads: Black.

Eye Colour: Golden Chinchilla: Green or blue-green.
Golden Chinchilla Pewter: Gold.

CHOCOLATE CHINCHILLA

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail lightly tipped with chocolate. White on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face Chinchilla cats are lighter than Shaded. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brown.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon-pink.

CHOCOLATE CHINCHILLA GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with chocolate. Honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shell cats are lighter than Shaded. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brown.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon-pink.

CREAM CAMEO SHELL

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with cream. Legs and face may be slightly shaded with cream tipping. Chin, stomach and chest are white. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

CREAM CHINCHILLA GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail lightly tipped with cream. Pale honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face Chinchilla cats are lighter than Shaded. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

LILAC CHINCHILLA

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail lightly tipped with lilac. White on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shell cats are lighter than Shaded. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

LILAC CHINCHILLA GOLDEN

Coat: Warm honey cream undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with lilac. Honey cream on the chin, stomach and chest, and under the tail. Legs to be same tone as face. Shell cats are lighter than Shaded. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

SILVER CHINCHILLA

SILVER CHINCHILLA PEWTER

Coat: White undercoat. The coat on the back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with black to give sparkling appearance. Legs may be slightly shaded with black tipping. Rims of eyes, lips, and nose outlined with black. Chin, stomach and chest are white. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brick red outlined with black..

Paw Pads: Black.

Eye Colour: Silver Chinchilla: Green or blue-green. Silver Chinchilla Pewter: Gold.

SMOKE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Coat: Deeply tipped with an established colour or pattern. In repose the cat looks like the established colour or pattern, In motion the white undercoat is clearly apparent. The face, ears, legs, and tail are the established colour or pattern with a narrow band of white at the base of the hairs next to the skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose leather: Conform to the established colour standards.

Paw Pads: Conform to the established colour standards.

Eye Colour: Copper.

NOTE: During seasonal coat colour changes on both kittens and adults, the “reverse” colour of the coat is to be considered a NORMAL coat colour change. At the root it may appear that the primary smoke colour turns white a short distance up the hair shaft and then reverts back to the primary colour. The tipping during this coat colour phase may consume most of the hair shaft with only minimal white colour deep in the coat.

BLACK SMOKE

Coat: White undercoat, deeply tipped with black. Cat in repose appears black. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Face, legs and tail, black with a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Black.

Paw Pads: Black.

BLUE SMOKE

Coat: White undercoat, deeply tipped with blue. Cat in repose appears blue. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Face, legs and tail, blue with a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Blue.

Paw Pads: Blue.

CAMEO SMOKE

Coat: White undercoat, deeply tipped with red. Cat in repose appears red. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Face, legs and tail, red with a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Rose.

Paw Pads: Rose.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

CHOCOLATE SMOKE

Coat: White undercoat, deeply tipped with chocolate. Cat in repose appears chocolate. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Face, legs and tail, chocolate with a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Brown.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon-Pink.

CREAM CAMEO SMOKE

Coat: White undercoat, deeply tipped with cream. Cat in repose appears cream. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Face, legs and tail, cream with a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

LILAC SMOKE

Coat: White undercoat, deeply tipped with lilac. Cat in repose appears lilac. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Face, legs and tail, lilac with a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Preference should be given to the cat whose coat lacks tabby markings.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

TORTOISESHELL SHADED, CHINCHILLA, SMOKE

Traditional eye colour is copper. Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

BLUE CREAM SHADED

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped blue with patches of cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail to white on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a shell, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

BLUE CREAM CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped blue with patches of cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail to white on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

BLUE CREAM SMOKE

Coat: Ground colour white. The cat in repose should appear blue with clearly defined, patches of cream. In motion, the white undercoat becomes apparent. Face and ears have a narrow band of white at the base of the hairs next to the skin that may be seen only when the fur is parted. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

BLUE CREAM GOLDEN SHADED

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped blue with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a shell, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

BLUE CREAM GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped blue with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat colour should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL SHADED

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped chocolate with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail to white on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat colour should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

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Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped chocolate with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail to white on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL SMOKE

Coat: Ground colour white. The cat in repose should appear chocolate with clearly defined, patches of red/cream. In motion, the white undercoat becomes apparent. Face and ears have a narrow band of white at the base of the hairs next to the skin that may be seen only when the fur is parted. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Chocolate, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Chocolate, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN SHADED

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped chocolate with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail to white on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a chinchilla, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped chocolate with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail to white on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat colour should be lighter than a Shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings

GOLDEN TORTOISESHELL SHADED

Coat: Ground colour cinnamon gold to warm honey. The hair should be tipped black with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a shell, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Brown or black, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Brown or black, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

GOLDEN TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour cinnamon gold to pale warm honey. The hair should be tipped black with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale warm honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Brown or black, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Brown or black, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

LILAC CREAM SHADED

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped lilac with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. White on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a shell, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

LILAC CREAM CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped lilac with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. White on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shell. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

LILAC CREAM SMOKE

Coat: Ground colour white. The cat in repose should appear lilac with clearly defined, patches of cream. In motion, the white undercoat becomes apparent. Face and ears have a narrow band of white at the base of the hairs next to the skin that may be seen only when the fur is parted. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

LILAC CREAM GOLDEN SHADED

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped lilac with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a shaded, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

LILAC CREAM GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped lilac with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

TORTOISESHELL SHADED

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped black with patches of red tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. White on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a shell, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black / dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour white. The hair should be tipped black with patches of red tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. White on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black / dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

TORTOISESHELL SMOKE

Coat: Ground colour white. The cat in repose should appear black with clearly defined, patches of red. In motion, the white undercoat becomes apparent. Face and ears have a narrow band of white at the base of the hairs next to the skin that may be seen only when the fur is parted. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black / dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN SHADED

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped black with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be darker than a chinchilla, but not so dark as to lose the sparkling effect. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black / dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

TORTOISESHELL GOLDEN CHINCHILLA

Coat: Ground colour pale ivory to creamed honey. The hair should be tipped black with patches of red/cream tipping—shading gradually down the sides, face and tail. Pale honey on the chin, chest, stomach area, and under the tail. Shading on the face and legs is the same tone as the ridge, albeit lighter. Coat should be lighter than a shaded. A “blaze” is desirable.

Nose Leather: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black / dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Tabby markings.

Traditional eye colour is copper. Silver, Blue Silver, Silver Patched, Blue Silver Patched tabby may have copper, hazel, or green eye colour. Bi-colour and Van tabby patterns may have blue, copper, or odd-eye. Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

TABBY PATTERNS

CLASSIC TABBY PATTERN

Markings dense, clearly defined and broad. Legs barred with bracelets. Tail evenly ringed ending in a dark tip. Necklaces on neck and upper chest are to be unbroken. Frown marks on forehead form a letter "M". Unbroken line runs back from outer corner of eye. Swirls on cheeks. Vertical lines over back of head extend to shoulder markings which are in the shape of a butterfly with both upper and lower wings distinctly outlined and marked with dots inside the outline. Back markings consist of a vertical line down the spine from butterfly to tail with a vertical stripe paralleling it on each side. Large solid blotch on each side to be encircled by one or more unbroken rings. Side markings should be the same on both sides. Double vertical rows of buttons on chest and stomach. Hocks to be same colour as markings.

MACKEREL TABBY PATTERN

Markings dense, clearly defined. Legs barred with bracelets. Tail evenly ringed ending with a dark tip. Necklaces on neck and upper chest, are to be unbroken. Frown marks on forehead form an "M". Unbroken line runs back from outer corner of eye. Lines run down the head to meet the shoulders. Spine lines run together to form a narrow saddle. Unbroken lines run around the body vertically. Buttons on chest and stomach. Hocks to be same colour as markings.

SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN

Markings dense, clearly defined. Legs barred with bracelets. Tail spotted or broken rings ending with a dark tip. Necklaces on neck and upper chest, are to be broken. Frown marks on forehead form an "M". Line runs back from outer corner of eye. Broken lines run down the head to meet the shoulders. Spine lines consist of broken vertical lines preferably composed of spots. Spots on body may vary in size and shape but should not run together (i.e. a broken Mackerel pattern). Buttons on chest and stomach. Hocks to be same colour as markings.

PATCHED TABBY PATTERN

An established Classic, Mackerel, or Spotted Tabby with patches of red or cream.

TABBY COLOURS

BLUE TABBY

Coat: Ground colour pale bluish ivory. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings blue.

Nose Leather: Blue or old rose.

Paw Pads: Old rose.

BLUE SILVER TABBY

Coat: Ground colour bluish silver. Undercoat white. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings blue.

Nose Leather: Blue or old rose rimmed with blue.

Paw Pads: Blue, old rose or pink

Eye Colour: Copper, Green or Hazel.

BLUE GOLDEN TABBY

Coat: Ground colour creamed honey. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings blue.

Nose Leather: Blue or old rose rimmed with blue.

Paw Pads: Blue, old rose or pink

BROWN TABBY

Coat: Ground colour coppery brown. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings black.

Nose Leather: Brick red.

Paw Pads: Black or brown.

CAMEO TABBY

Coat: Ground colour off white. Undercoat white. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings red.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

CHOCOLATE TABBY

Coat: Ground colour milk chocolate. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings a deep, dark chocolate.

Nose Leather: Brown or brick red.

Paw Pads: Brick red to cinnamon pink.

CHOCOLATE SILVER TABBY

Coat: Ground colour milk chocolate. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings a deep, dark chocolate. Undercoat is white.

Nose Leather: Brown or brick red.

Paw Pads: Brick red to cinnamon pink.

CREAM TABBY

Coat: Ground colour pale cream. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings buff or cream.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

CREAM CAMEO TABBY

Coat: Ground colour off white. Under coat white. Markings cream.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

GOLDEN TABBY

Coat: Ground colour cinnamon gold to warm honey. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings black.

Nose Leather: Brick red.

Paw Pads: Black.

LILAC TABBY

Coat: Ground colour frosty lavender with a pinkish patina. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings dark lavender.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

LILAC SILVER TABBY

Coat: Ground colour frosty lavender with a pinkish patina. White undercoat. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings dark lavender.

Nose Leather: Lavender.

Paw Pads: Pink.

RED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour cream to dark cream. Lips and chin the same shade as rings around the eyes. Markings red.

Nose Leather: Flesh or coral pink.

Paw Pads: Flesh or coral pink.

SILVER TABBY

Coat: Ground colour pale silver. White undercoat. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings black.

Nose Leather: Brick red.

Paw Pads: Black.

Eye Colour: Copper, Green, Hazel.

PATCHED TABBY COLOURS

BLUE PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour bluish ivory. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings blue with patches of cream.

Nose Leather: Blue, old rose, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, old rose, may be mottled with pink.

BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour bluish ivory. White undercoat. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings blue with patches of cream. Fawn patina overcast.

Nose Leather: Blue, old rose, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, old rose, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Copper, Green, Hazel.

BLUE GOLDEN PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour creamed honey. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings blue with patches of cream.

Nose Leather: Blue, old rose, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, old rose, may be mottled with pink.

BROWN PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour copper brown. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings black patched with red.

Nose Leather: Brick red, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black or brown, may be mottled with pink.

CHOCOLATE PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour milk chocolate. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings dark chocolate patched with red.

Nose Leather: Brown, brick red, or cinnamon may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Brick red or cinnamon may be mottled with pink.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

CHOCOLATE SILVER PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour milk chocolate with markings of dark chocolate patched with red. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. White undercoat.

Nose Leather: Brown, brick red, or cinnamon may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Brick red or cinnamon may be mottled with pink.

CHOCOLATE GOLDEN PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour milk chocolate with markings of dark chocolate patched with red. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Pale honey undercoat.

Nose Leather: Brown, brick red, or cinnamon may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Brick red or cinnamon may be mottled with pink.

GOLDEN PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour warm honey. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings black patched with red.

Nose Leather: Brick red, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black, may be mottled with pink.

LILAC PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour pale frosty lavender with pinkish patina. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings darker lavender patched with cream.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: lavender, may be mottled with pink.

LILAC SILVER PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour pale frosty lavender with pinkish patina. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings darker lavender patched with cream. White undercoat.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: lavender, may be mottled with pink.

LILAC GOLDEN PATCHED TABBY

Coat: Ground colour pale warm honey with lighter undercoat. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings darker lavender patched with cream.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Traditional eye colour is copper. Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

TORTOISESHELL COLOURS

BLUE CREAM

Coat: Blue with clearly defined, patches of cream on face, body and extremities. On the undersides and extremities the colours may fade. A “blaze” which is comprised of the two colours, appears to divide the face down the nose, is desirable.

Nose Leather: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Blue, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Solid colour face, legs and tail. Tabby or brindle markings. Excessive amount of dark cream.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL

Coat: Chocolate with clearly defined, patches of cream on face, body and extremities. On the undersides and extremities the colours may fade. A “blaze” which is comprised of the two colours, appears to divide the face down the nose, is desirable.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Solid colour face, legs and tail. Tabby or brindle markings.

LILAC CREAM

Coat: Lilac with clearly defined, patches of cream on face, body and extremities. On the undersides and extremities the colours may fade. A “blaze” which is comprised of the two colours, appears to divide the face down the nose, is desirable.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Solid colour face, legs and tail. Tabby or brindle markings.

TORTOISESHELL

Coat: Black with clearly defined, patches of red on face, body and extremities. On the undersides and extremities the red may fade and appear as cream. A “blaze” which is comprised of the two colours, appears to divide the face down the nose, is desirable.

Nose Leather: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Black or dark brown, may be mottled with pink.

Objections: Solid colour face, legs and tail. Tabby or brindle markings.

Traditional eye colour is copper. EXCEPTIONS are silver, golden, blue silver, blue golden in the Shaded and Chinchilla class where the eye colour is green to blue-green. Silver Tabby and Blue Silver Tabby — as well as the Patched Tabby version of same — may have Copper, Green, or Hazel eye colour. Odd-eyed is allowed (one eye must be blue). Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

VAN

All established colours and patterns distributed as described for the Van pattern (face and body predominantly white with colour restricted to the head and tail. One or two small spots of colour on the body are allowed).

ANY COLOUR WITH WHITE

Coat conforms to the established colours and patterns with the addition of white. As a preferred minimum (unless otherwise stated in the breed standard), the cat should have white feet, legs, underside, chest and muzzle. An inverted 'V' on the face is desirable. Nose leather and paw pads conform to the established colour standards.

CALICO / DILUTE CALICO

All established colours and patterns distributed as described for the Calico pattern (a tri-colour cat with un-brindled medium to large patches of DENSE colour and red, or DILUTE colour and cream on a white background).

PATTERNED CALICO

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Coat: A white cat with TABBY patterned patches of established colours with patches of RED (which may or may not be tabby). As a preferred minimum (unless otherwise stated in the breed standard) the cat should have white feet, legs, underside, chest and muzzle.

Nose Leather: Pink or the established colour.

Paw Pads: Pink, or the established colour.

DILUTE PATTERNED CALICO

Coat: A white cat with TABBY patterned patches of established colours with patches of CREAM (which may or may not be tabby). As a preferred minimum (unless otherwise stated in the breed standard), the cat should have white feet, legs, underside, chest and muzzle.

Nose Leather: Pink or the established colour.

Paw Pads: Pink, or the established colour.

Point Pattern: The body is a clear colour without shading. Allowance should be made for darker body colour in older cats but there must be a definite contrast between body colour and point colour. The ears, legs, feet, tail and mask (Points) show the basic colour of the cat. The ideal mask extends from above the eyes down through the chin and stretches beyond the eyes from side to side. Please refer to the individual breed standard for additional guidance.

SOLID POINT COLOURS

BLUE POINT

Point Colour: Deep grayish-blue. All points should be the same even shade.

Coat: Even bluish-white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Slate gray.

Paw Pads: Slate gray.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Fawn or cream shadings.

CHOCOLATE POINT

Point Colour: Warm milk chocolate. All points should be the same even shade.

Coat: Ivory without lilac or blue tones. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Burnt rose or cinnamon pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon pink to tan-pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers.

CREAM POINT

Point Colour: Pale cream. All points should be the same even shade.

Coat: White without toning. Shading if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Pink.

Paw Pads: Pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leather.

LILAC POINT

Point Colour: Light silvery blue with definite warm tones. There may be a slight pink cast. All points should be the same even shade.

Coat: Even glacial white without tan, brown, or blue tones.

Nose Leather: Lavender pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leather. Tan, brown, or blue shadings.

RED (FLAME) POINT

Point Colour: Deep orange-red. Kittens may have a lighter shade (hot cream to orange). All points should be the same even shade.

Coat: Warm even creamy white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Flesh or coral pink.

Paw Pads: Flesh or coral pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Pale point colour (overall impression of point colour must be hot). Strong tabby markings.

Withhold Awards: Black or blue patches in nose or paw leathers. Any sign of tortoiseshell pattern.

SEAL POINT

Point Colour: Dense, deep seal-brown. All points should be the same even shade.

Coat: Even pale cream or ivory. Shadings if any are a warm fawn colour.

Nose Leather: Dark seal-brown to black.

Paw Pads: Dark seal-brown to black.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Black or gray shadings.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

TORTIE POINT COLOURS

BLUE CREAM POINT

Point Colour: Well defined patches of blue and cream. It is desirable that blue and cream be evident on all point areas.

Coat: Even bluish white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Slate gray, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Slate gray, may be mottled with pink.

CHOCOLATE TORTIE POINT

Point Colour: Milk chocolate with patches of cream. All points should be the same shade. It is desirable that chocolate and cream be evident on all point areas.

Coat: Even ivory. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Tabby markings. Lack of two colours on points. Brindled colours instead of patches of colour.

LILAC CREAM POINT

Point Colour: Warm silver blue with pink overtones patched with cream. All points should be the same shade. It is desirable that lilac and cream be evident on all point areas.

Coat: Glacial white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Tabby markings. Lack of two colours on points. Brindled colours instead of patches of colour.

SEAL TORTIE POINT

Point Colour: Dark seal brown with well defined patches of red/cream. All points should be the same shade. It is desirable that seal and cream be evident on all point areas.

Coat: Even pale creamy white to pale cream. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Nose Leather: Seal brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Seal brown, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Tabby markings. Lack of two colours on points. Brindled colours instead of patches of colour.

LYNX POINT COLOURS

BLUE LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Silvery blue with deep grayish-blue tabby markings. All points should be the same shade.

Coat: Even bluish-white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Slate gray or brick red.

Paw Pads: Slate gray.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

CHOCOLATE LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Warm milk chocolate with darker chocolate tabby markings. All points should be the same shade.

Coat: Even ivory without lilac or blue tones. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon or pink edged with cinnamon.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats. Blue or lilac tones.

CREAM LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Delicate cream with darker cream tabby markings. All points should be the same shade.

Coat: Cream white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Flesh or coral pink.

Paw Pads: Flesh or coral pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

LILAC LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Warm silver blue with pink overtones, tabby markings a darker shade of lilac blue. All points should be the same shade.

Coat: Glacial white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Lavender or pink edged with lavender.

Paw Pads: Lavender.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

RED (FLAME) LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Deep red with darker -red tabby markings. All points should be the same shade.

Coat: Cream white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Flesh or coral pink.

Paw Pads: Flesh or coral pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

SEAL LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Brown with darker seal brown tabby markings. All points should be the same shade.

Coat: Pale cream to fawn. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Seal brown or brick red.

Paw Pads: Seal brown.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

TORTIE LYNX POINT COLOURS

BLUE CREAM LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Blue with darker blue tabby markings patched with cream. Ears have paler thumbprint in center.

Coat: Even bluish or creamish white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Slate gray, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Slate gray, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

CHOCOLATE TORTIE LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Milk chocolate with darker chocolate tabby markings patched with cream. All points should be the same shade. Ears have paler thumbprint in center.

Coat: Even ivory. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Cinnamon, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

LILAC CREAM LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Warm silver blue with pink overtones, tabby markings a darker shade of lilac blue patched with cream. All points should be the same shade. Ears have paler thumbprint in center.

Coat: Glacial white. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Lavender, may be mottled with pink.

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

SEAL TORTIE LYNX POINT

Point Colour: Brown with darker seal brown tabby markings patched with red. All points should be the same shade. Ears have paler thumbprint in center.

Coat: Even pale cream to fawn. Shadings if any are the shade of the points.

Pattern: The mask must be clearly marked with typical tabby markings including a classic “M” on the forehead. Eyes are outlined in dark pigment. Inner ear is light and a thumb print appears on the outer ear. Stripes on the legs and tail.

Nose Leather: Seal brown, may be mottled with pink.

Paw Pads: Seal brown, may be mottled with pink.

Eye Colour: Clear brilliant blue. Deep blue preferred.

Objections: Improper colour nose or paw leathers. Stripes or mottling on body, but consideration is to be given to shading in older cats.

SMOKE POINT

White undercoat, deeply tipped with colour consistent with the corresponding base colour (solid point, tortie point, pointed bi-colour, pointed van). Points and mask appear solidly coloured with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. Nose leather and paw pad colours appropriate to the base colour.

SILVER LYNX POINT

White undercoat, deeply tipped with colour consistent with the corresponding base colour and tabby markings. (Silver lynx point, silver tortie lynx point, silver lynx point bi-colour, silver tortie lynx point bi-colour, silver lynx point van, silver tortie lynx point van). Points and mask appear as a normal lynx point or tortie lynx point with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. Nose leather and paw pad colours appropriate to the base colour.

GOLDEN LYNX POINT

Pale warm honey undercoat, deeply tipped with colour consistent with the corresponding base colour and tabby markings. (golden lynx point, golden tortie lynx point, golden lynx point bi-colour, golden tortie lynx point bi-colour, golden lynx point van, golden tortie lynx point van). Points and mask appear as a normal lynx point or tortie

lynx point with narrow band of warm honey at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. Nose leather and paw pad colours appropriate to the base colour.

POINTED WITH WHITE

Pointed with White should conform to the pointed pattern with the addition of white overlaid. The face and the body should exhibit substantial white (a minimum of one-third is preferred). There must be some white on the face with enough white to indicate an inverted ‘V’ being preferred. Small to medium spots of colour are allowed within the white, both on the face and on the body. Blue eye colour. Disqualify no white on face.

All Shaded Points & Chinchilla Points including with white are registered as AOV (Any Other Variety).

Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.

GENERAL PREFACE

It is important to consult the individual breed standard for breed-specific disqualifications. The following list applies to all breeds unless otherwise indicated.

WITHHOLD AWARDS (W/A) FOR:

1. More or fewer than five toes on each front paw and four toes on each back paw. Pixie-Bobs are exempt from this disqualification.
 2. White lockets, buttons, or toes on any cat, except where part of the natural colour or pattern, or unless otherwise specified in the breed standard.
 3. Any entry that is declawed. Clear nail-tip covers are allowed.
 4. Any deformity or disfigurement — hereditary, congenital, or acquired. Household Pet entries are exempt from this disqualification.
 5. A cat showing evidence of intent to deceive (e.g., the presence of powder or chalk residue in the coat after normal grooming; the use of tints, colour rinses, or other artificial colouring concealment media; sanding or shaving).
 5. An entry, without provocation, attacks a judge or other person within the ring area, the entry shall be deemed vicious and disqualified (D.V. Disqualified, Vicious).
 6. Kinks, visible or invisible. Kink is defined as a rigid deflection of the tail line, whether visible or not. Small, invisible bumps or calcium deposits shall be considered a fault. Refer to individual breed standards for exceptions to this rule.
 7. Wrong eye colour (unless otherwise specified in a breed's standard).
 8. Crossed eyes in any breed. Household Pet entries are exempt from this disqualification.
 9. Maloccluded jaws.
 10. Monorchidism (the absence of one testicle) or cryptorchidism (the absence of both testicles) is grounds for withholding awards in the Championship (whole adult) or Miscellaneous (whole adult) classes.
 11. Any entry that scores less than 90 points.
6. Excellence in one aspect of the standard shall not offset a deficiency in another. Because the standard specifically describes the various parts of the cat's appearance, all judges shall conduct their judging in accordance with these specifications.
 7. All entries should possess the appropriate weight, condition, and balance for their breed. Balance is the overall physical picture of the cat. The cat must 'fit together', and no single quality **should** be emphasized. Judges shall not penalize any fault by more than the cat would have earned if perfect in that detail.
 8. Judges shall penalize or disqualify N.F.A (No Further Award) for poor condition, indicating illness or poor care.
 9. If an entry has fleas, fungus, ear mites, etc., the judge shall N.F.A. the entry and notify the Show Manager.
 10. An obviously pregnant or lactating queen will be disqualified as N.F.A. (No Further Awards).
 11. Natural lighting should be used wherever possible. Allowances should be made for harsh artificial lighting, which may distort eye and coat colour.
 12. An entry presented in the judging ring showing noticeable effects of a sedative (e.g., third eyelids visible, overly glassy eyes, inability to stand or sit, lack of coordination or muscle control) shall not receive an award. The judge will record N.F.A (No Further Award) in their judge's book.
 13. Any cat too nervous or intractable to handle by the judge or the owner / agent must be disqualified (D.U.H. – Disqualified, Unable to Handle).
 14. A judge may disqualify any entry whose owner / agent draws specific attention to himself or his entry when benching the cat in the judging ring or at any time during judging. Judges shall enter D.L.E. (Disqualified, Lack of Etiquette) in their books.
 15. When an entry's colour or pattern has been misclassified, the entry shall be transferred to its correct class with the owner's permission.
 16. Cats recovering from recent surgery (or injury) where the incision (or wound) has not completely healed, stitches removed, etc.; must be disqualified (N.F.A. – No Further Awards).

FACTORS TO CONSIDER:

1. A weak, receding, or protruding chin is considered a serious fault. Deductions can be made for chin, profile, and balance.
2. Allowance should be made for stud jowls in males. Usually, males are proportionally larger than females.
3. Allowance is to be made for seasonal variations in coat.
4. Allowance should be made for faint tabby markings in kittens and young cats, except when they are part of the normal colour pattern.
5. Allowance should be made for undeveloped eye colour and undeveloped coat colour in kittens and young cats.

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