

HAVANA BROWN

The Havana Brown has an unique look due to its distinctive muzzle shape, unique colour and its large, forward tilted ears. It is a highly intelligent cat showing a great desire for human companionship and attention.

I – BODY/CONFIRMATION (30)

(10) BODY – Body should be medium in length, firm and muscular.

(5) NECK – Neck should be medium in length, in proportion with the body.

(10) LEGS & FEET – Legs and feet are proportioned with the body. Hind legs are slightly higher. Paws are oval.

(5) TAIL – Medium in length, slender, neither whip-like nor blunt, tapered at the end.

II – HEAD TYPE (30)

(5) FULL FACE – The head should be longer than it is wide, narrowing to a rounded muzzle with a whisker break.

(10) PROFILE – In profile, there is a distinct stop at the eyes. The end of the muzzle appears almost square. This illusion is heightened by the well-developed chin, the profile outline of which is more square than round.

(5) WHISKERS – The same shade as the coat.

(5) EARS – Large, round and tipped with very little hair inside and out. Ears are widely set but do not flare. They are pricked slightly forward.

(5) EYES – The eyes are oval in shape.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (10)

the coat is medium in length, smooth, and lustrous.

IV – COLOUR (20)

(15) COLOUR – A shade of rich, warm mahogany brown. Entire coat should be the same sound shade of brown to the skin. Nose leather must have a rosy tone. Paw pads are pinkish rose in colour.

(5) EYE COLOUR – Should be chartreuse green with a darker, even green preferred.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (10)

The cat when viewed as a whole, gives a totally well balanced appearance. Coat must be glossy. Eyes must be clear.

OBJECTIONS

	DEDUCT
* Lack of stop in nose or Oriental type.	2-7
* Oriental body type.	3-7
* Short neck.	1-3
* Thick or short tail.	1-3
* Dull, open or too close lying coat.	2-7
* Too fat or undernourished	1-3

WITHHOLDS

- * Any other colour than solid brown (or solid lilac – AOV).
- * Wrong colour of paw pads or nose leather.
- * White whiskers.
- * Wrong eye colour in adults.
- * All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOUR

Brown. Lilac (AOV).

BREED ORIGIN:	Hybrid
REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:	One parent must be Havana
SHOWING REQUIREMENTS:	F2 Brown or Lilac (AOV)
ALLOWED ANCESTRY:	Brown or Lilac Havana, Domestic Shorthair (Black or Blue ONLY), Oriental (Shorthair ONLY) — Ebony, Blue, Chestnut, Lavender ONLY), Siamese (Chocolate Point or Seal Point ONLY).
ALLOWED MATINGS:	One parent must be Havana

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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:

- More or fewer than five toes on each front paw and four toes on each back paw. Pixie-Bobs are exempt from this disqualification.
- 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.
- Any entry that is declawed. Clear nail-tip covers are allowed.
- Any deformity or disfigurement — hereditary, congenital, or acquired. Household Pet entries are exempt from this disqualification.
- 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).
- 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).
- 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.
- Wrong eye colour (unless otherwise specified in a breed's standard).
- Crossed eyes in any breed. Household Pet entries are exempt from this disqualification.
- Maloccluded jaws.
- 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.
- Any entry that scores less than 90 points.
- 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.
- 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.
- Judges shall penalize or disqualify N.F.A (No Further Award) for poor condition, indicating illness or poor care.
- If an entry has fleas, fungus, ear mites, etc., the judge shall N.F.A. the entry and notify the Show Manager.
- An obviously pregnant or lactating queen will be disqualified as N.F.A. (No Further Awards).
- Natural lighting should be used wherever possible. Allowances should be made for harsh artificial lighting, which may distort eye and coat colour.
- 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.
- 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).
- 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.
- When an entry's colour or pattern has been misclassified, the entry shall be transferred to its correct class with the owner's permission.
- 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:

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

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