**TURKISH ANGORA**

Turkish Angoras are a medium sized cat which is balanced and graceful. Turkish Angoras possess a fine, silky coat that shimmers with every movement, in contrast to the firm, long muscular body beneath the coat.

**I – BODY/CONFORMATION (35)**

(30) **BODY** – Medium size, however the overall balance, grace and fineness of bone are more important that actual size. Males may be slightly larger than females. Body is long and slender, possessing greater depth than width — oval rather than round (not tubular). Shoulders the same width as hips. Rump slightly higher than shoulders. Finely boned with firm muscularity.

(5) **LEGS & TAIL** – Long legs with hind legs longer than front. Paws are small, round and dainty. Tufts between toes preferable. Tail is long and tapering from a wide base to a narrow end, with a full brush.

**II – HEAD TYPE (40)**

(15) **FULL FACE** – Small to medium in size, in balance to with the length of the body, legs, and tail. Medium long, smooth wedge. In profile the head is formed by two planes — a flat top head and the line of the nose meeting at an angle slightly above the eyes. NO BREAK. Nose medium long. Chin is firm, gently rounded, and forms a perpendicular line with nose. The muzzle is a continuation of the smooth lines of the wedge with neither pronounced whisker pad nor pinch. Neck slim, graceful and rather long.

(5) **EARS** – Large, wide at the base, pointed and tufted.

(10) **EAR PLACEMENT** - Set close together, high on the head, vertical and erect.

(10) **EYES** – large, almond shaped, slanting slightly upwards with open expression.

**III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (10)**

Single coated. Length of body coat varies, but tail and ruff should be long, full, finely textured and have a silk-like sheen. ‘Britches’ should be apparent on the hind legs.

**IV – COLOUR (5)**

(5) **COAT COLOUR** – All colours should be considered of equal value. Colour faults such as leg barring on shaded cats, or tabby markings on smoke cats may often be present in younger cats but will gradually fade because of the way colours develop and are expressed in this breed. White lockets and buttons should not be penalized, sound colour is preferred.

**EYE COLOUR** – There is no relationship between eye colour and coat colour, and each eye colour description can include much variation within its defined spectrum, especially as cats mature. Acceptable colours include: blue, green, green-gold (any gold or amber eye that carries a greenish cast or ring), amber (gold to copper but has NO greenish cast or ring), odd-eyed (one blue eye and the other green, green-gold, or amber). While no points are specifically allocated to eye colour, deeper, richer tones are preferred. Odd-eyed cats should have similar depth of colour in both eyes.

**V – CONDITION & BALANCE (10)**

Proportionate in all physical aspects with a graceful, lithe appearance.

**OBJECTIONS**

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**WITHHOLDS**

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

**RECOGNIZED COLOURS**

Refer to Colours & Patterns appendix for complete list.

**BREED ORIGIN:** Natural

**REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:** F1 allowed if cat proven to be from country of origin by means of a waybill or Export Certificate.

**SHOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

**ALLOWED MATINGS:**

**ADDENDUM**

Recognized Colours:

- White, Black, Blue, Cream, Red, Classic Tabby, Mackerel Tabby, Spotted Tabby, Patched Tabby, Silver Tabby, Red Tabby Brown Tabby, Blue Tabby, Cream Tabby, Camel Tabby, Cream Cameo Tabby, Blue-Silver Tabby, Blue Silver Patched Tabby, Tabby and White, Tortoiseshell, Calico, Dilute Calico, Blue-cream, Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Cameo Smoke, Cream Cameo Smoke, Blue-Cream Smoke, Tortoiseshell Smoke, Shaded Silver, Blue Shaded Silver, Camel Shaded, Cream Cameo Shaded, Tortoiseshell Shaded, Blue-cream Shaded, Bi-colour, Smoke and white, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke, any other colour or pattern with the exception of those showing hybridization resulting in the colours chocolate, lavender, pointed pattern, or these combinations with white.

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