## **BREED**

# MINUET SHORTHAIR/ LONGHAIR MINUET NON STANDAR SHORTHAIR/ LONGHAIR

#### **GENERAL**

The Minuet and the Minuet Longhair are short-legged, and non standard are long-legged, medium to substantially boned cats. They are distinguished only by the appearance of the coat with the shorthair having a plush all-weather coat and the longhair a long silky coat with britches and a plume.

**HEAD** SHAPE The head shape is round, broad, with well rounded contours when viewed from any angle, in proportion

to the body. The top head rounded but not domed.

**EYES**Large and round, wide open but not protruding. No brow ridge. Deep brilliant eye color is preferred

which conforms to coat color.

**EARS**Medium with preference given to slightly smaller ears but not extreme, rounded tips, in proportion to the

head. Set wide apart, but relatively upright.

**PROFILE** Gentle curve to a moderate stop

**NECK** Head should blend into moderately short neck

**NOSE**Moderately short, broad and with an obvious stop, but no break, not snub. Top of the nose leather

should not come above the lower edge of the eye.

CHIN Rounded and moderate

MUZZLE Moderate with gentle contours in proportion with head. Prominent whisker pads are acceptable

BODY TORSO

MNT/MNL: Semi-cobby, well rounded. Straight top-line preferred, slight rise from the shoulders to tail is

acceptable.

**MNTN/MNNL:** Semi-cobby, Level back, Well-rounded chest and firm hips. Females generally smaller/lighter than males.

**FEET** Round, compact in proportion with body. All four feet pointed directly straight forward, not inward or

outward

**LEGS** MNT/MNL: Short, well developed, firm musculature. Outer upper thigh boning and musculature may be

thick and pronounced due to short legs. Inner leg straight with little to no bowing though slight bowing is

acceptable.

MNTN/MNNL: Straight and long, set evenly apart when viewed from front or back.

**TAIL** In proportion to body length or longer, not short, moderately thick and tapers to a round tip.

Long hairs should be plumed and flowing.

**BONING**Medium to substantial. In front, legs should be short and straight from the breadth of the chest adding to

sturdy appearance.

MUSCULATURE Substantial, firm and noticeable on front legs.

COAT COLOR PATTERN **TEXTURE** MNT/MNTN: Plush, double coat preferred, all weather, not lying flat.

MNL/MNNL: Soft, slight undercoat gives the coat body but coat still falls smoothly. Not cottony.

Possible curls on underbody.

**LENGTH** MNT/MNTN: Short. Dense but slightly longer than other shorthairs; standing away from body.

MNL/MNNL: Dense, full, allowing for seasonal variat.

**COLOR VARIETIES** All colors and patterns are recognized. The description of colors is listed in the general list of colors.

#### **PENALIZE**

Roman nose line or bump on the nose line.

Snub nose.

Short tail.

Excessive tearing eyes.

### **DISQUALIFY**

Sway back.

Bone deformations on forehead and skull.

Nose break or crooked nose.

Excessive bowed legs and excessive cowhocking.

Triangle,flat,narrow,vertical elliptical chest.

Misaligned bite.

Tail faults.

<b>BREED</b>			MNT/ MNL	MNTN/ MNNL
SCORE	Head	Shape	10	10
	35 points/ 40 points	Ears	3	4
		Eyes	7	10
		Chin Profile Cats	2	2
		Profile	6	7
		Muzzle	2	2
		Nose	5	5
	Body	Torso	10	13
	40 points/ 35 points	Legs	10	5
		Feet	3	3
		Tail	4	4
		Boning	5	5
		Musculature	8	5
	Coat/Color/Pattern	Texture	5	5
	15 points	Pattern	2	2
		Length	5	5
		Color	3	3
	Others	Condition	3	3
	10 points	Grooming	2	2
		Balance	2	2
		Temperament	3	3

**OUTCROSS** 

Persian, Himalayan, Exotic Shorthair/ Longhair, Munchkin Shorthair/ Longhair