

# BREED BOMBAY

**GENERAL** The Bombay was originated as a hybrid between the Burmese and the American Shorthair. With its jet black, gleaming coat, gold to copper eyes, solid body and sweet facial expression, the ideal Bombay has an unmistakable look of its own. It is not a natural breed but a genetic hybrid, with distinctive features that separate it from its foundation (parent) breeds. The Bombay is a medium-size cat, well-balanced, friendly, alert, and outgoing; muscular and having a surprising weight for its size. The body and tail should be of medium length, the head rounded with medium-sized, wide-set ears, a moderate nose “stop” which is visible (not a break), large rounded wide-set eyes, and an overall look of excellent proportions and carriage.

<b>HEAD</b>	<b>SHAPR</b>	Pleasingly rounded with no sharp angles, short and broad.
	<b>EYES</b>	Large, round, wide set, in line with the base of the ear. Eyes are gold to copper, copper preferred.
	<b>EARS</b>	Medium in size and set well apart on a rounded skull, alert, tilting slightly forward, broad at the base, and with slightly rounded tips.
	<b>CHIN</b>	Firm,round, neither receding nor protruding, reflecting a proper bite.
	<b>MUZZLE</b>	Rounded, short, broad, well-developed.
	<b>NOSE</b>	The end is slightly rounded down.
	<b>NECK</b>	Well-developed. Short to medium .
	<b>PROFILE</b>	Moderate visible stop (NOT a break). Moderate stop is not to be considered a “break,” but a slight indentation at the bridge of the nose between the eyes thus providing a change of direction from the rounded head to the medium, rounded muzzle. The end of the nose is slightly rounded down thus completing the roundness of the head.
<b>BODY</b>	<b>TORSO</b>	Medium sized and muscular. Neither coarse, not elongated, but somewhat longer than the Burmese. Rounded, ample chest, muscular in development, neither compact nor rangy.

**LEGS** Sturdy, medium length, in proportion to the body and tail.  
**FEET** Rounded.  
**BONING** Sturdy. Broad rib cage.  
**TAIL** Medium in length. Tapering to blunt tip. Neither short nor “whippy.”  
**MUSCULATURE** Firmly muscled. Surprising weight for its size.

**COAT  
COLOR  
PATTERN**

**TEXTURE** Fine, satin-like texture, close-lying.  
**LENGTH** Short.  
**COLOR** Dark to the roots. Shimmering, patent leather sheen.  
**COLOR VARIETIES** Black ONLY

**PENALIZE**

Ranginess, fine boning.  
Long, whippy tail.  
Flat plane to forehead.  
Thick or open-lying coat.

**DISQUALIFY**

Kinked or abnormal tail.  
Lockets or spots.  
Incorrect number of toes.  
Nose leather or paw pads other than black.  
Green eyes.  
Improper bite.  
Extreme break that interferes with normal breathing and tearing of eyes.

**SCORE**

**Head**  
40 points

- Shape 10
- Ears 8
- Eyes 8
- Chin 4
- Muzzle 5
- Profile 5

**Body**  
30 points

- Torso 10
- Legs and Feet 5
- Tail 5
- Boning 5
- Musculature 5

**Coat/Color/Pattern**  
20 points

- Texture 5
- Pattern 5
- Length 5
- Color 5

**Others**  
10 points

- Condition 3
- Grooming 2
- Balance 2
- Temperament 3

**OUTCROSS**

Burmese

