

BREED EXOTIC SHORTHAIR/ LONGHAIR

GENERAL The Exotic Shorthair is the shorthair equivalent of the Persian and Himalayan breeds and is differentiated from the Persian and Himalayan by coat length ONLY. It is accept in all colors, Its plush, dense coat and similar type give the breed a teddy bear like appearance. The Exotic Longhair is the next generation with longhair from the Exotic Shorthair/ Longhair outcrossed the Persian or Himalayan.

HEAD	SHAPE	Round, broad, smooth domed, with great breadth. Should be medium to large in size and in proportion to body. Jaws broad and powerful with perfect tooth occlusion. Cheeks should be full and prominent. Overall sweet expression.
	EYES	Large, round, and full. Set level and far apart giving a sweet expression to the face, eye color has equal importance to size and shape. Deep brilliant eye color preferred which conforms to coat color.
	EARS	Small and round tipped, not unduly open base. Set wide apart, fitting into contour of head.
	PROFILE	Short, snub-nose, definite break directly between eyes. Forehead, nose and chin in straight line.
	CHIN	Strong, full, well-developed, and firmly rounded, fitting into the face.
	NOSE	Short, snub, and broad, with “break” centered between the eyes.
	NECK	Short, thick, and well-muscled.
BODY	TORSO	Cobby, firm, well-rounded mid section, in proportion. Medium to large in size. Back short and level. The chest is to be deep; equally massive across the shoulders and rump with a short, well-rounded abdomen and ribs.
	LEGS AND FEET	The legs are short, thick, and strong, well-developed and with firm musculature. Forelegs straight. Hind legs are straight when viewed from behind. And the feet should be large, round, and firm. Toes carried close, five in front and four behind.
	TAIL	Short and straight. proportion to body length. Carried without a curve and at an angle lower than the back.
	MUSCULATURE	Firm and well-developed, not overly fat.

**COAT
COLOR
PATTERN**

LENGTH/ TEXTURE

ES: Short, but slightly longer than other shorthairs. Soft, dense, plush; standing away from body. Seasonal variation in coat and density should be recognized.
EL: Long all over the body. Full of life. Dense undercoat giving the coat full volume. Ruff should be immense. Seasonal variations in coat shall be recognized.

COLOR/ PATTERN

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

PENALIZE

Long or narrow head.
Long Roman nose.
Thin muzzle.
Mild overshot or undershot jaw, misaligned bite.
Missing canine teeth in whole adult cats.
Ears that are large, pointed, slanting out from the head or set too close together.
A narrow chest, or long back.
Poor muscle tone.
Poor coat condition.
Small or close-set eyes.

DISQUALIFY

Any apparent weakness in the hind quarters.
Any apparent deformity of the spine.
Deformity of the skull resulting in an asymmetrical face and/or head.

SCORE

Head
35 points

Shape 8
Ears 5
Eyes 7
Chin 3
Nose 5
Neck 2
Profile 5

Body
30 points

Torso 10
Legs and feet 5
Tail 5
Boning Musculature 10

Coat/Color/Pattern
25 points

Length/ Texture 15
Color/ Pattern 10

Others
10 points

Condition 3
Grooming 2
Balance 2
Temperament 3

OUTCROSS

Persian, Himalayan.

