

BREED OCICAT

GENERAL The Ocicat is a medium to large, well-spotted agouti cat of moderate type. It displays the look of an athletic animal: well muscled and solid, graceful and lithe, yet with a fullness of body and chest. It is alert to its surroundings and shows great vitality. This powerful, athletic, yet graceful, spotted cat is particularly noted for its "wild appearance".

HEAD	SHAPE	The skull is a modified wedge showing a slight curve from the muzzle to the cheeks, with a visible, but gentle rise from the bridge of the nose to the brows.
	EYES	Large, almond in shape, and angled slightly upwards towards the ears, with more than the length of an eye between the eyes. All eye colours except blue are allowed. There is no relationship between coat and eye color. Intensive colour is preferred.
	EARS	Alert, moderately large. When present ear tufts extending vertically from the tips of the ears are a bonus. Set so as to corner the upper, outside dimensions of the head. If an imaginary horizontal line is drawn across the brow the ears should be set at a 45° angle, i.e. neither too high nor too low.
	CHIN	Strong with a firm jaw with a proper bite.
	MUZZLE	Well-defined, broad, suggestion of squareness; in profile shows good length, no suggestion of snippiness. Jaws firm with proper bite.
	WHISKER PADS	The moderate whisker pinch is not too severe.
	NECK	Arched.
	PROFILE	Visible but gentle rise from bridge of nose to brows.
BODY	TORSO	Moderate, semi-foreign, with some depth to chest, ribs slightly sprung. Back level to slightly higher in rear. Reasonably level flank.

	LEGS	Medium long, of good substance and well muscled. Powerful and in good proportion to the body.
	FEET	Oval, compact and in proportion to legs.
	BONING	Moderate.
	TAIL	Fairly long, medium slim with only a slight taper and with a dark tip.
	MUSCULATURE	Substantial, yet with athletic appearance.
COAT COLOR PATTERN	TEXTURE	Short, smooth and satiny in texture with a lustrous sheen. Tight, close lying and sleek.
	LENGTH	Long enough to carry several bands of ticking.
	PATTERN	The Ocicat is spotted. All colours should be clear and pleasing. The spots shall be large and round and shall form rows along the spine and shall go down the legs as far as possible. The spots are arranged in the form of rosettes on the flanks. Large, well-scattered, thumb print-shaped spots appear on the sides of the torso, with a subtle suggestion of a classic tabby pattern, a spot circled by spots in place of the bulls eye. There are broken necklaces on the chest and broken rings on the lower part of the legs. All hairs, except the tail tip, have bands of ticking. The bands in the pattern are darker, the bands in the base colour are lighter. A lighter base colour on the chin, the lower jaw and the underside of the body is permitted. To determine the correct coat colour, the colour of the tail tip is decisive.
	COLOR VARIETIES	Tawny Spotted Tabby, Chocolate Spotted Tabby, Cinnamon Spotted Tabby, Blue Spotted Tabby, Lavender Spotted Tabby, Fawn Spotted Tabby, Black Silver Spotted Tabby, Chocolate Silver Spotted Tabby, Cinnamon Silver Spotted Tabby, Blue Silver Spotted Tabby, Lavender Silver Spotted Tabby, Fawn Silver Spotted Tabby.
PENALIZE		Bulky and coarse. Faint and blurred markings. Elongated spots following a mackerel pattern.

DISQUALIFY

Blue eyes.

White anywhere other than around the eyes, nostrils, chin and upper throat - except white agouti ground in silvered colour varieties.

SCORE

Head

30 points

Shape

10

Ears

5

Eyes

5

Muzzle & Chin

10

Body

35 points

Torso

10

Legs & Feet

10

Tail

5

Size

10

Coat/Color/Pattern

25 points

Texture

5

Pattern

10

Color

10

Others

10 points

Condition

3

Grooming

2

Balance

2

Temperament

3

OUTCROSS

Abyssinian