## BREED ORIENTAL SHORTHAIR/ LONGHAIR SIAMESE/ BALINESE

**GENERAL** The ideal cat of this breed group is a svelte, graceful, refined cat of medium size with long tapering lines. It is in excellent physical condition, very strong, lithe and muscular giving the sensation of solid weight without excess bulk. While the breed is considered "medium" in size, balance and proportion are to be considered of greater consequence. The cat should "fit together". If it is extreme in one part, all parts should be extreme to retain balance.

HEAD	SHAPE	Long tapering wedge, in good proportion to body. The total wedge starts at the nose and flares out in straight lines to the tips of the ears forming a triangle, with no break at the whiskers. No less than the width of an eye between the eyes. When the whiskers are smoothed back, the underlying bone structure is apparent. Allowance must be made for jowls in the stud cat. Forehead is flat.
	EYES	Almond-shaped, mediumlarge, set with an Oriental slant toward the nose such that a line from inner corner through outer corner is in line with center of base of ear. No less than the width of an eye between the eyes.Deeper more vivid color preferred in all breeds. SI/BA-Blue; OS/OL-Green is preferred in all coat colors, with gold acceptable, except in solid white where eye color may be green, blue or oddeyed. Points shall be divided equally between eye color and size/shape/set.
	EARS	Wide at base, strikingly large. Set to continue the line of the wedge, neither too high nor too flared.
	PROFILE	A long straight line is seen from the top of the head to the tip of the nose. No bulge over eyes. No dip in nose.
	NECK	Long and slender.
	NOSE	Long and straight. a continuation of the forehead with no break.
	CHIN	Medium size. Tip of chin lines up with tip of nose in the same vertical plane. Neither receding nor excessively massive.
	MUZZLE	Fine, wedge-shaped.

BODY	TORSO	Long and svelte. A distinctive combination of fine bones and firm muscles. Shoulders and hips continue the same sleek lines of tubular body. Hips never wider than shoulders. Abdomen tight. Males may be somewhat larger than females.
	FEET	Small and oval. toes is five in front and four behind.
	LEGS	Long and slim. hind legs higher than front. in good proportion to body.firm muscles.
	TAIL	Long, in proportion to overall cat.
		OS/SI: Narrow at base, tapering to fine point; whippy. OL/BA: Plume. Long and feathery.
	MUSCULATURE	Very firm, lithe, well- muscled.
COAT COLOR PATTERN	TEXTURE	OS/SI: Fine textured, glossy or satinlike, lying close to the body. OL/BA: Fine, silky, without downy undercoat, lying close to the body.
	LENGTH	OS/SI: Very short. OL/BA: Medium length, a shorter coat is permitted over the shoulders, hair is longest on the tail.
	PATTERN	OS/OL: Even solid color for solid colored coats. Pattern should be well-defined with definite contrast between pattern and ground color.
		SI/BA: Even color on the body with any shading to be in the color of the points. Allowance for darker body shading in older cats; however, definite contrast between body and points must exist.
	COLOR VARIETIES	OS/OL: All colors and patterns without points are recognized. SI/BA: Siamese points are recognized in all colors.

## PENALIZE

Receding or excessively massive chin. Roman profile. Roman nose. Miniature size. Any evidence of poor condition. OS/OL: Eyes color without any green. SI/BA: Belly spots and/or flank spots. SI/BA: Tabby markings on the torso of lynx points.

## DISQUALIFY

Evidence of illness, poor health, emaciation. Visible tail fault. Crossed eyes. Visible protrusion of the cartilage at the end of the sternum. SI/BA: Eyes other than blue. SI/BA: Patches of white in the points.

