

EXOTIC



The Exotic displays all the attributes of the Persian except the lack of a long flowing coat. It were developed by crossing Persians with American Shorthairs. Like the Persian, the Exotics has a compact, short-legged build with a push in face, Form the American Shorthair gained the shorter coat, which is however, much thicker and somewhat than of other shorthair breeds.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (30)

(15) **BODY** – Short, compact body that is heavily boned and set low on its legs. Deep in the chest and equally massive across the shoulders and rump. They have a well rounded mid-section and a level back. Medium to large in size with quality no to be sacrificed for mere size. Tail is short and thick.

(5) **NECK** – Short, thick and powerful.

(5) **LEGS** – Short muscular and heavily boned. The forelegs are straight. Hind legs are straight up and down when viewed from behind, with toes facing forward and no evidence of cow-hocking.

(5) **FEET** – Large, firm, and rounded with toes carried close together and not splayed.

II – HEAD (30)

(10) **SHAPE** – Round and massive with great breadth in skull. Well rounded underlying bone structure. When viewed from the front the head is divided into 4 quarters (proportionally speaking); the nose break is in the center of the cat's face, the horizontal axis bisects the eyes, the vertical axis bisects the center of the forehead to the center of the chin, all 4 quarters would be of equal size on a perfectly rounded head. In profile, the head gives the appearance of the capital letter "B".

(5) **FOREHEAD** – Rounded, giving a domed appearance with good underlying bone structure. Doming should be smoothly rounded when felt top-to-bottom and side-to-side.

(5) **JAW & CHIN** – The jaw is broad, powerful and continues the round appearances of the head. The muzzle is broad, symmetrical, with no whisker break. The cheeks are full. The chin is well developed, firmly rounded with good underlying bone structure reflecting a proper bite. In profile, the chin aligns perpendicular to the nose.

(5) **EARS** – The ears are small, round tipped, tilted forward and are not unduly open at the base. The ears are set far apart and low on the head. They fit into the rounded contours of the head and as such, their width gives the appearance of a broad, almost level top head.

(5) **EYES** – Large, round, set far apart giving a sweet, open look to the face.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (10)

Coat is dense, plush, soft in texture, full of life and stands out from the body due to the density. Coat is not flat or close lying. It is medium length, slightly longer than other short haired cats, but not long enough to flow. Fur on tail should not lie flat and should stand away from the tail bone brush in appearance.

IV – COLOUR (25)

(20) **COAT COLOUR** – Intensity, contrast and soundness of colour from the roots to the tips should be considered. The points for cats with special markings should be divided into 10 points for colour and 10 points for the pattern markings. Otherwise, points for colours should be evenly distributed.

(5) **EYE COLOUR** – The eye colour is to conform with the requirements of the specific coat colour possessed by a cat. Judges are to give preference to depth, brilliance and evenness of eye colour.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (5)

Must include the body, the coat, eyes and the teeth. The cat must be in prime physical condition and faultlessly clean. General health and vigor are reflected by clear eyes, shining coat and alert appearance. The entire cat should give the impression of robust power and firmness. The cat should have good muscle tone, with no evidence of obesity.

OBJECTION

OBJECTION	DEDUCT
Delicate bone structure (some allowance made for female)	1-5
Narrow chest; long back	1-3
Long thin neck	1-3
Long legs or bowed legs	1-3
Splayed toes, oval feet	1-3
Long or pointed tail	1-3
Ears slanting out from the head	1-3
Ears set high or too close together	1-3
Large pointed ears	1-3
Long narrow head; Roman nose or thin muzzle	1-3
Small eyes; eyes set too close together	1-3
Eyes other than round or set on a bias (slanted)	1-3
Weak eye colour	1-3
Excessively runny eyes indicating obstructed tear ducts (serious fault)	3-5
Wrong eye colour	1-5
Incomplete mask (Pointed)	1-5
Mismatched colour points (Pointed)	1-5

WITHHOLD

- Malocclusion
- Miniaturisation
- Any signs of trouble breathing normally
- All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOUR

Refer to Colours and Patterns appendix for complete list.

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BREED ORIGIN: Hybrid

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: F1 allowed

SHOWING REQUIREMENTS: F1 allowed

ALLOWED ANCESTRY: Exotic, Persian, American Shorthair (Until May 1st, 2010)

ALLOWED MATINGS: Exotic