KORAT

The Korat is rare even in its native Thailand. Because of its exceptionally strong attachment and affection towards its owner, along with its unusually fine disposition, the Thai people hold the Korat (Si Swat) in extremely high regard as a "good luck" cat. The general appearance is of an alert, expressive cat which is medium in size, muscular,

with smooth curved lines and large, prominent, green luminous eyes.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (25)

(15) BODY - Medium in size with a strong muscular (semi-cobby), broad chested with good space between forelegs. Back is carried with a slight curve.

(5) LEGS & FEET - In proportioned with body. Oval feet.

(5) TAIL - Medium length, heavy at base, tapering to a round tip. (NOTE - A tail defect (kink) is not grounds for withholding awards).

II - HEAD (35)

(10) FACE - Heart shaped with breadth between and across eyes. The eyebrow ridge forms the upper curves of the heart and the sides or the face gently curve down to the chin to complete the heart shape. Males may demonstrate a slight indentation in centre of forehead just above brow line which accentuates the heart shaped appearance.

(10) PROFILE - Slight stop between forehead which has a downward curve just above nose leather. Chin is strong and well developed making a balancing line for the profile and properly completing heart shape. Muzzle is neither squared nor pointed.

(5) EARS - Large with rounded tips. Flared at base. Sparsely furnished. Set high on head.

(5) EYES – Large, prominent and luminous. Well rounded and oversized. May appear oriental shape when partly opened.

(5) EYE PLACEMENT - Placed well apart giving good breadth to head.

III - COAT/LENGTH (10)

Short in length, glossy and fine, lying close to body. Coat over spine is inclined to break as the cat moves.

IV – COLOURS (25)

(20) BODY COLOUR – Silver blue with silver tipping giving an aura appearance. This appearance peaks at two to four years of age. Do not penalize for single white hairs. Paw pads – deep blue (lavender with pink tinge); nose leather – dark blue to lavender.

(5) EYE COLOUR – Brilliant green but an amber cast is acceptable. Allowance for kittens and adolescents who may have gold-amber, adult eye colour not true until two years of age of more.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (5)

Firm, solid, muscular, alert, bright, well balanced and robust appearance.

OBJECTIONS	DEDUCT
Pinch or narrowness between eyes	2-5
Nose that is too long or short	1-3
Weak chin giving pointed look to face	1-3
Small or dull eyes	1-3
Tabby markings or shading after two years	3-5
Coat with silver tipping only on head, legs and feet	1-3

WITHHOLDS

Gold-amber eye colour after two years of age

All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface

RECOGNIZED COLOUR

Blue

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BREED ORIGIN: Established

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: F1 allowed if cat proven to be from country of origin (by means of waybill or export certificate).

SHOWING REQUIREMENTS: No F1 if born after May 1, 1976

ALLOWED ANCESTRY: Korat ALLOWED MATINGS: Korat