

TOYGER



The Toyger is a designer cat: a loving, glittered, medium sized domestic shorthair companion cat reminiscent of the big cat in pattern, type, confidence and movement. Designed with the experience of active cat ownership in the modern urban setting foremost in mind, this cat must be a uniquely beautiful and engaging companion, willing and able to thrive in a human centered life.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (25)

(4) BODY – Long and powerful body type. Medium to deep, long and muscular with rolling contours; strong and robust but not blocky. Strength is in the forequarters. Shoulders may interrupt top line. Chest is broad and deep. Females may be somewhat smaller and less muscular than males and may exhibit no head ruff. Well-muscled males may lack shoulder to neck definition. Kittens may be somewhat longer coated, be less refused and be rather uncoordinated.

(7) BONNING – Very large, dense, robust; never delicate.

(6) MUSCULATURE – Very muscular and athletic looking, especially in young males.

(4) LEGS & FEET – Medium length such that the space between the ground and the body is equal to the deep of the torso. Legs as long in back as in front. Long toed, well knuckled feet seem large.

(4) TAIL – Very long and muscular with blunt, rounded tip; rope-like. Set low and carried low.

II – HEAD (35)

(2) SHAPE – Medium-sized, long, broad and deep. Side view; ½ hexagon as defined by angle change point of chin, nose, forehead and back skull. All contours well-defined, muscular and rounded.

(4) PROFILE – Biplaner; angle change above the eyes. A slightly concave nose line acceptable.

(12) MUZZLE/CHIN – Medium length to long and deep with well-defined, rounded muscular contours. Full face view; a long inverted heart shape from forehead to rounded whisker pads. Chin is very strong. Deep, wide. Bite must be correct.

(4) NOSE – Muscular, long and rounded, widening toward end to at least as wide as the space between the eyes. Greater nose leather width is preferred, depth is shallow.

(6) EARS – Rounded. Small preferred. Set as much on the side as on the top. Thickly furred temples and ears preferred. Lynx tipping undesirable.

(6) EYES – Small to medium, circular with gentle hooding of upper inside. Set back into face, and on slight bias toward base of ear. Rich deep color is preferred.

(1) NECK – Long and muscular.

III – COAT/TEXTURE/DENSITY (5)

LENGTH – Coat is short except; markings may be slightly but uniformly longer than ground colored fur on body for a sculpted effect. Longer temple and jowl ruff fur is preferred.

TEXTURE/DENSITY – Fur is thick, luxurious and unusually soft, plush but resilient.

GLITTER – Some glitter required. The more the better without undue loss of contrast or withed ground.

IV – COLOUR & PATTERN (30)

COLOUR (10) - Tabby Marking shall be virtually black to brown or even tan. Very dark markings one richly coloured refused ground is preferred. Markings uniformly dark from tip of hair to skin are preferred. Mouse coloured undercoat is acceptable. Whited ground colour shall be as uniformly light as white as possible and appears as per pattern requirements below. Colour may vary somewhat intensity seasonally.

CONTRAST – All colors next to each other should be as different in value as possible. The visibly noticeable difference in colour and value between two coat colours should be great or high between the tabby markings and the background colour, and high between the dorsal orange background colour and ventral orange background and ventral whited background colour, and high between the dark ear colour and the lighter “thumb print”, and high between the withed ground color of parts of the face and its modified tabby markings.

PATTERN (20)

MARKING PATTERN - Modified mackerel tabby. The contrast to ground pattern must be extreme and distinct; giving a clear, sharply edged pattern.

BODY – Body stripes shall generally be vertically aligned with encircling markings on neck, legs and tail. Bold, braded, non-uniform stripes including stretched rosettes are preferred. Some stretched sports are acceptable. Belly and inside of legs must be marked. Whited ground shall include ventral areas of belly, underside of base tail, insides of legs and chest. Spillage or wrap of whited ground onto lower sides, backs of legs and sides of chest for a greater amount of visibility is desirable. Paw pads and tail tip must be black.

FACE & HEAD – Facial stripes and markings shall be circularly aligned around the face. Preference shall be given to forehead butterfly markings and to encircling jowl markings. Traditional tabby markings moving radically away from the face for any distance are undesirable. Whited ground areas shall include throat, chin, outer parts of jowls and cheeks, and lower part of whisker pads as well as areas around and over eyes, spilling upward onto temples and forehead. Ears having dark backs, with a lighter to virtually white “thumb mark” desirable. Black mascara, lipstick and whisker spots marking and spectacles are desirable.

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V – CONDITION & BALANCE (5)

Muscular and athletic, excellent health.

OBJECTIONS

	DEDUCT
Classic alignment of mackerel stripes on body (strongly suggesting a bulls eye or curved lines)	5-10
Substantially darker markings on points	3-5
A dorsal stripe	3-5
Traditional tabby face marking ONLY.	3-5
No glitter	2-3
Excessive size or unmusclcd bulk	5-10
Lockets	3-5

WITHHOLDS

Ticked fur that obscures markings

Belly of chest not marked

Tail tip not black

Blue eyes

Malocclusion

Challenging temperament

All ground for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface

RECOGNIZED COLOURS & PATTERN

Brown Mackerel Tabby

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BREED ORIGIN: Hybrid

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT: Immediate ancestry must reflect 2 generations of yoyger only

SHOWING REQUIREMENT: F4

ALLOWED ANCESTRY: Bengal

ALLOWED MATING : Toyger