



YORK CHOCOLATE

The York Chocolate occurred naturally as a working cat. The first kitten, "Brownie", was born in 1983 in Grafton, New York and all bonafide cats are descended from her. The first "lilac" appeared around 1990. Mature males may weigh 10-16 pounds (4.5 to 7kg). The fur is silky soft and requires little or no grooming. Shedding is minimal. They are energetic, intelligent and playful with an easy going personality.

I – BODY/CONFIRMATION (30)

(20) BODY – Medium to large with smooth flowing body lines. Neck is short to medium. Chest is full and rounded. Boning is sturdy; musculature firm. The rump is slightly higher than the front.

(5) LEGS & FEET – Medium to large in length and well muscled. Feet are large, rounded and slightly tufted.

(5) TAIL – Medium to long, the length is comparable to the length of the body. Wide at the base and tapering to a rounded tip.

II – HEAD (30)

(15) HEAD – Modified wedge, medium in size and in a proportion to the body. Longer than wide when whiskers and facial hair are smoothed back. Muzzle moderately rounded, neither short nor sharply pointed. In profile, the skull is slightly rounded; the nose has a slight dip. A slight whisker break gently curved following the lines of the wedge. Chin is gently contoured and strong.

(10) EARS – Large, pointed, tufted tilting forward. Broad at base, set well apart and continuing wedge line. Little hair is present on the outer ear, the colour may show through.

(5) EYES – Medium in size, almond shaped, slanted slightly towards nose. One eye length apart. Colour deep gold, green or hazel.

III – COAT/LENGTH (15)

Medium in length, smooth and glossy. Soft and silky to the roots. Hair is shorter on the face; belly and lower legs; longer on back, sides and upper legs. Slight frontal ruff. Tail hair to spread out like a plume. Ears and toes are tufted.

IV – COLOUR (20)

Solid colour is preferred. White lockets or spots on the chest or belly is allowed, but not desired. Allowances to be made for kittens and adolescents (up to 12 months) which are significantly lighter than the mature cat and may have some barring and tipping. No penalty shall be applied for thermal effect in coat.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE (5)

Coat to have glossy sheen and flows over body line accentuating graceful, flexible body movement. An appearance of good health and vitality.

OBJECTIONS

- Cobby body, angularity or boniness
- Small ears
- Round or large eyes
- Woolly undercoat

DEDUCT

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WITHHOLDS

All ground for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOURS

Chocolate, Lilac, Chocolate & White, Lilac & White

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BREED ORIGIN: Natural

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: F1 Allowed

SHOWING REQUIREMENTS: F1 Allowed

ALLOWED ANCESTRY: York Chocolate, Solid and Bi-Coloured Longhairs Domestic Longhair

ALLOWED MATING: York Chocolate