



THAI

HEAD = 30 points

Shape = 10
Profile = 5
Ears = 5
Eyes shape and set = 5
Neck = 5

BODY = 35 points

Torso = 10
Legs and feet = 10
Boning = 5
Musculature = 5
Tail = 5

COAT AND TEXTURE= 20 points

Texture = 10
Length = 10

COLOUR = 15 points

Coat = 10
Eyes = 5

Permissible colours

Category: point
Divisions: solid, tabby, silver/smoke
Colours: all

Permissible crosses

Thai X Thai

Introduction

Preserving the characteristics of the Siamese that was shown in championship in late 19th and 20th centuries until the 1960s, the Thai resembles what some called 'our Grand Ma's cat' or 'traditional Siamese'. The Thai is nowadays Siamese's ancestor, and should not look like him in any way. The Thai is alert and chatty, with a great personality.

Head: slightly longer than wide, the head, seen in front, is a modified wedge with rounded contours. Cheeks are rather round in females and can be more developed in males, in a reasonable proportion compared to overall size of the body. Viewed from the side, top of head and forehead are slightly rounded followed by a harmonious convex curve to the eyes' level, and a slight and gradual concave curve under the eyes.

Muzzle: medium in length, neither pointed nor round, the muzzle gently continuing the wedge. Firm chin.

Eyes: oval, slightly slanted. A line goes from inner corner, to outer corner of the eye and meets outer base of ear. The colour is as intense as possible.

Ears: wide at the base with rounded tip, the ears are medium in size and set well apart in order to respect the wedge.

Neck: medium in length, the neck is well-muscled, especially in males.

Body: semi-foreign in type, the body is medium, very strong but not heavy. The chest is broad and slightly round.

Legs: rather slender, the legs are in proportion to the body.

Feet: oval, the feet are medium in size.

Tail: medium, wide at the base, tapering to a slightly round tip.

**Coat and texture:**

The coat is short and tight. The fur is close-lying. The texture is fine and silky.

Colour: the Thai is a colourpoint cat. There should then be a definite contrast between point colour, as even as possible, and body colour which is even. Lack of ghost markings is preferred, except on tabby cats where they are allowed. The age and the base colour are to be taken into account on the evolution of the colourpoint pattern: points are usually not totally developed on kittens, most of all in dilute colours, whereas darker shades on mature cats are normal.

Allowances

Colour of eyes can vary from pale to dark blue.

Penalize

Long, coarse or rough coat.

Dark areas on the belly and/or the flanks.

Lack of pigments in points.

Brindling, i.e. presence of white hair in the points.

Mask extending to the whole head.

Round eyes.

Pronounced stop.

Withhold all awards

White spots and lockets.

Lack of pigment on paw pads or nose leather.

Siamese look (for instance: straight profile, almond-shaped eyes, tubular-shaped body, whippy tail etc.)

General show penalties and withholdings.