

BOMBAY

Standard of Excellence

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Originally a hybrid between American Burmese and American Shorthair with an unmistakable look of its own, known as the miniature “black panther” of the cat world. Friendly, alert and an outgoing cat, muscular and with a surprising weight for its size.

Head	Pleasingly round without any sharp angles. Full face with considerable width between the eyes, blending gently into a broad well-developed moderately rounded muzzle that maintains the rounded contours of the head. In profile there should be a moderate visible nose break, a slight indentation at the bridge of the nose between the eyes, without giving a “snubbed” look, and thus providing a change of direction from the rounded head to the medium rounded muzzle. Firm chin.
Neck	Short Neck.
Nose	The end of the nose is slightly rounded down thus completing the roundness of the head. Disqualify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nose leather other than black.
Ears	Medium in size, set well apart on a rounded skull, alert. Tilting slightly forward, broad at base with slightly rounded tips.
Eye Shape	Set far apart with rounded aperture.
Eye Colour	Gold to copper eyes, the greater the depth and brilliance the better. Disqualify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green eyes.
Body	Medium in size, muscular in development, neither compact nor rangy. Allowance for larger size in males. Faults: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excessive cobbiness or ranginess.
Legs	In proportion to body and tail.
Paws	Round paws. Disqualify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paw pads other than black.
Tail	Straight, medium length, neither short nor whippy with a slightly rounded tip.
Coat	Fine, short satin like texture. Close lying with shimmering patent leather sheen.
Colour	Black. Kitten coats darken with age and become sleeker.

Pattern	Solid
Condition	Muscular and with a surprising weight for its size.
Allowable Outcrosses	Refer to notes below.

SCALE OF POINTS

Total			100 points
Head	Incl. Neck & Nose	20	40
	Ears	5	
	Eye Shape	5	
	Eye Colour	10	
Body	Shape & size	15	25
	Legs & Paws	5	
	Tail	5	
Coat	Texture & Length	15	30
	Colour & Pattern	15	
Condition			5

Allowable Outcrosses:

Bombay to Bombay with Generational Departure.

Burmese SH or British SH once in every four generations.
Normal generational progression applies to this outcross.