

LAMBKIN Shorthair & Longhair Standard of Excellence

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The typical Lambkin is an appealing cat of moderate type. Its overall appearance should resemble that of a curly coated lamb with short legs. It takes its soft plush coat and substance from the Selkirk Rex and its legs and modified wedge with rounded contours from the Munchkin.

As it derives its short legs from the Munchkin, the Lambkin is a member of the Lilliputian Breed Group. However its appearance is more substantial with heavier boning and a slightly shorter modified wedge with more rounded contours. The Lambkin is NOT a Selkirk Rex with short legs, neither is it a Munchkin with the coat of a Selkirk Rex, but sits exactly between the two parent breeds. Accordingly, its temperament should be sweet and loving.

Body	Torso: Chest full, muscular, semi-cobby, well rounded in mid section. Small to medium in size. Slight rise from the shoulders to the tail as the back legs are slightly longer than front legs. Well rounded chest and ribs with firm hips.
Condition & Balance	Should reflect excellent health and robust power with good muscle tone. Other than the short legs, all parts of the body should be in proportion to each other. Boning: Substantial. Musculature: Firm and well developed. ALLOWANCES: Consideration should be given to the fact that females will generally be smaller than the males, but both sexes should be in proportion and balance for their size
Head	Shape: Modified wedge with rounded contours. Should be medium in size and in proportion to body. Cheeks should be high and well defined. (Males can appear larger than females). Chin: Firm, but not overly prominent. Muzzle: medium with curly whiskers. Nose & Profile: Medium length nose with a slight dip below the eyes. Forehead should be slightly rounded.
Neck	Neck: Moderately short, thick and well muscled. Curly fur prominent on neck.
Ears	Medium and in proportion with head, broader at the base, set well apart, with slightly rounded tips.
Eyes	Large and lustrous, almost but not completely round, and set well apart giving an open and alert expression to the face, eye colour has equal importance to size and shape. Deep brilliant eye colour is preferred which conforms to coat colour.
Legs & Paws	Short, substantial boning, well developed and with firm musculature. The hind legs may be slightly longer than the forelegs but must still appear well balanced. Paws: Round and medium, pointing forward.
Tail	Medium length, tapering to a rounded tip.

Coat	<p>Texture: Soft and plush</p> <p>In Shorthairs: Medium Length (short): Short, but slightly longer than most shorthairs. Curls must be prominent on the neck and tail. The curliness of the coat on the saddle area of the back is variable due to climate, seasons and hormones, especially in females. Loose individual curls.</p> <p>In Longhairs: Semi-long Length (long): Long all over the body. Curls must be prominent on the neck and tail. The curliness of the coat on the saddle area of the back is variable due to climate, seasons and hormones, especially in females. Double coat with thick undercoat and deep waves with curled ends.</p> <p>Allowances: Kittens may lack fully curly coat.</p>
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SCALE OF POINTS

Total	100 points
Head Size & shape - 5, Ears -5, Eyes -5, Chin -3, Nose -5, Profile -5 Neck -2)	30
Body Torso -10 Feet & Legs -15 Tail -5 Boning -5 Musculature -5	40
Coat Length & Texture -10 Colour & Pattern -10	20
Condition & Balance Condition -5 Balance -5	10

Penalize	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obvious break between the eyes. • Ears that are large, pointed or set too close together. • Excessive bowing to the front or rear legs. • Excessively protruding sternum. • Flanged or extremely short rib cage. • Poor muscle tone. • Small close-set eyes. • Excessive tearing of the eyes. • Protruding eyes.
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Disqualify	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kinked tail.• Severe malocclusion or asymmetry to the face structure.• Crossed, slanted or improperly focusing eyes.
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RECOGNISED COLOURS:.

All Colours acceptable. Clear, intense colours preferred. Eye colour independent of coat colour. Pattern: All patterns acceptable.

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSSES:

Departure for Generational progression applies.

Munchkin to Selkirk Rex to produce Gen 1.

Lambkin or Lambkin Variant.

Napoleon or Napoleon Variant,

Outcrosses to be reviewed June 30th 2015.