

## EXOTIC SHORTHAIR [EXO] (Standard Source: FIFe 1987)

### General

The Exotic Shorthair must conform to the Persian standard for type and colour; the difference is in the hair length. The colours and patterns are recognised as for Persians.

<b>Head</b>	Round and massive with great breadth of skull; well balanced. Full cheeks, forehead smoothly rounded without depressions or protrusion of bone. Short, broad nose with stop centred between the eyes – nose leather broad, with open nasal apertures. Small, round-tipped ears, set wide apart and low on the head, with full ear furnishings [horizontal]. Strong chin. Broad and powerful jaws. Short, thick neck. Large, full, round eyes; brilliant and set wide apart. Sweet open expression.
<b>Body</b>	Cobby, low on the legs; broad chest; massive shoulders and rump; well muscled. Large or medium in size. Short, thick, strong legs. Large, round, firm paws. Tail short and bushy but in proportion to body length, not ending in a point.
<b>Coat</b>	Dense, plushy, soft in texture; standing out from the body due to density, not lying flat. Slightly longer than the coat of the British Shorthair but not long enough to flow. Of uniform length, except in kittens, which may retain guard hairs.
<b>Colours</b>	As for Persian varieties, both for coat colour and eye colour.
<b>Faults</b>	Lack of smooth rounding to skull; pinched nostrils.
<b>Withhold Challenge</b>	Severe skeletal depression or protrusions of skull.

### SCALE OF POINTS

Type including: Shape, size and bone structure, tail and length of tail, height and thickness of legs.	20 points
Head including: General head shape, shape and set of eyes, size of eyes, ear shape and set, nose length and width, stop, jaw, forehead, teeth.	30 points
Eye Colour: Brilliant, clear colour	15 points
Coat including: Colour, texture, quality, length, tabby markings, tipping, even patching, etc.	30 points
Condition: Grooming and preparation, presentation	5 points
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### BREEDERS NOTES

*Allowable outcross: Persian*