

BURMILLA BREED GROUP (BM, BML)

The Burmilla Shorthair is a hybrid breed originating in the UK in 1981 from an accidental mating between a (European) Burmese and a Chinchilla Silver Persian. The breed name was formed from a concatenation of the two original breeds – BURM (ese-chinch) ILLA. It is a medium-sized cat in all respects. The Burmilla Longhair is the longhaired version of the breed.

HEAD.....40 points
Eyes.....10
Chin/Nose/Muzzle.....9
under two years of age.
Profile..... 8
Shape..... 7
Ears.....6

BODY..... 35 points
Torso.....10
Boning.....8
Musculature..... 7
Legs & Feet.....6
Tail.....4

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN...25 points
Color.....8
Pattern.....7
Length.....5
Texture.....5

CATEGORY: Traditional, Sepia

DIVISIONS: Silver and/or Smoke

COLORS: All - Shaded and Chinchilla
Pattern Only

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:
Burmese, Persian

HEAD:

Shape: Gently rounded top of head with medium width between ears; wide at eyebrow level and jaw hinge, tapering to a medium, blunt muzzle.

Ears: Medium to large, broad at base with slightly rounded tips. Set with a

slight forward tilt in profile. Viewed from the front the outer line of the ear continues that of the face. This may not be so in mature males which develop a fuller cheek.

Eyes: Large and expressive; placed well apart at a slightly oblique setting; curved upper line angled towards the nose with a fuller curved lower line. Eye color is luminous outlined with the basic color. Color any shade of green, but clear green is preferred. A yellow tinge acceptable in kittens and young adult cats under two years of age. In reds, creams, and torbies amber is allowed.

Chin: Firm chin with good depth.

Nose: Tip of nose and chin should be in line.

Profile: A definite nose stop at eye level with no appearance of a break; straight nose bridge; level bite

Muzzle: Good width at the jaw hinge, tapering gently to a medium, blunt finish with gentle curves. Neither pointed nor excessively rounded.

BODY:

Torso: Medium size and length. Rounded chest medium in width. Back straight from shoulder to rump.

Legs: Legs proportionate to the body. Hind legs slightly longer than forelegs.

Feet: Medium oval.

Tail: Medium to long with medium thickness at the base; tapering to a rounded tip.

Boning: Medium

Musculature: Firm and strong.

COAT:

Length:

(BM): Short, smooth-lying with sufficient undercoat to give a slight lift.

(BML): Medium long except over the shoulders; should appear dense but lie flat over the spine; should lengthen down the body to form fringes or "frills" along the lower edges of the body and underparts. A ruff is desirable in mature cats. Ear tufts, furnishings are preferable. Full tail plume is desirable.

Texture:

(BM:) Silky

(BML): Fine, silky without woolly undercoat

PATTERN: Shaded or Chinchilla ONLY. Refer to the UCD for detailed description.

COLOR: Pure silver white ground color, with shading or tipping in the recognized colors. Refer to the UCD for detailed descriptions.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The Burmilla is an elegant cat, medium in size, with a sweet and open expression. Their unique appearance is a striking contrast between colored shading/tipping and a pure silver base. Their luminous green eyes are captivating. Burmillas tend to be mellow, outgoing, loving and playful.

LOCKETS: WW

ALLOWANCES: Toe tufts, in longhairs, which make the paws appear larger than they are.

PENALIZE: Bump on end of nose (i.e. Roman nose); extremely shortened

muzzle; extreme stop or break; pinched muzzle; weak chin; tabby markings in tipping; solid colored hairs; uneven tipping; tarnishing in coat. Any color on hocks on chinchillas.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW): Incorrect eye color in adults; cobby or Oriental body type; shaggy coat in Shorthair; excessive undercoat in Longhair.

DISQUALIFY (DQ): Tail faults as fixed deviations



Temperament must be unchallenging; any sign of definite challenge shall disqualify. The cat may exhibit fear, seek to flee, or generally complain aloud but may not threaten to harm. In accordance with Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN, the following shall be considered mandatory disqualifications: a cat that bites (216.9), a cat showing evidence of intent to deceive (216.10), adult whole male cats not having two descended testicles (216.11), cats with all or part of the tail missing, except as authorized by a board approved standard (216.12.1), cats with more than five toes on each front foot and four toes on each back foot, unless proved the result of an injury or as authorized by a board approved standard (216.12.2), visible or invisible tail faults if Board approved standard requires disqualification (216.12.4), crossed eyes if Board approved standard requires disqualification (216.12.5), total blindness (216.12.6), markedly smaller size, not in keeping with the breed (216.12.9), and depression of the sternum or unusually small diameter of the rib cage itself (216.12.11.1). See Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN for more comprehensive rules governing penalties and disqualifications.