

HAVANA (HB)

HEAD	40 points
Shape	5
Ears	5
Eyes ..	5
Chin	2
Muzzle	8
Nose	2
Profile	8
Neck	5

BODY	35 points
Torso	10
Legs	5
Feet	5
Tail	3
Boning	10
Musculature	2

COAT/COLOR	15 points
Length	5
Texture	5
Color	5

OTHER	10 points
Balance	3
Condition	5
Temperament	2

CATEGORY: Traditional.

DIVISION: Solid.

COLOR: Chocolate based eumelanistic colors ONLY, (Chocolate, Lilac).

HEAD:

Shape: Longer than wide.

Size: Must be in proportion.

Ears: Large, round tipped, wide set, but not flaring, pricked slightly forward, alert. Very little hair outside, furnishings, almost non-existent.

Eyes: Oval, appear large but not bugged. Oval aperture, placement begins at top of nose outward. Color is any vivid and level shade of green. Allow for changing eye color up to 1 year.

Chin: Strong, with sparse hair.

Muzzle/Whisker Pinch: End appears almost square. Break definite, behind whisker pad.

Profile: Definite stop at eyes.

Neck: Length and size, medium.

BODY:

Torso: Medium. Neither cobby nor rangy.

Legs: Long for size of cat, with slim but not fine boning.

Feet: Oval in shape, compact in size.

Tail: Slender, medium in length. Not too broad at base, tapers at the end.

Musculature: Firm and muscular.

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:

Length: Short.

Texture: Smooth and soft to touch. Allow for fuller coat on lilacs.

Color: Chocolate; lilac.

OTHER:

Balance:

Condition:

CONDITION/BALANCE/TEMPERAMENT:

Condition: The Havana should be clear-eyed and firm bodied, neither fat nor thin. The coat should have a pronounced glossy sheen.

Balance: Each separate physical part should be in perfect proportion to the whole cat resulting in a well-balanced animal of symmetrical and pleasing lines.

Temperament: The cat should be gentle and amenable to handling.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Overall, this is a medium-sized semi-foreign short hair cat. Males will be larger and heavier boned than females. The head stop and muzzle break are distinctive features of the breed. The ear set should give the animal a very alert look. Animal should stand high on the legs with a level back. Cats respond to a firm but gentle hand.

ALLOWANCES: Allow for stud jowls in males. Allow for tabby markings in kittens. Allow for plush coat in lilacs.

PENALIZE: Absence of whisker pinch. Absence of head stop. Weak chin.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS: White locket. Wrong eye color. Roman profile.



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.