

Abyssinian (ABY)

Body

The cat is medium sized and elegant. The body is of medium length, firm, lithe and muscular. The legs are sinewy, long and slender. The paws are narrow and oval.

The long tail is strong at the base and ends in a tapering tip. The neck is slender.

Head

The head shows a moderate wedge shape and gently rounded contours. The nose is of medium length. The profile is slightly curved.

The chin is firm.

Ears

The ears are large and set wide apart. They are broad at the base and slightly rounded at the tips. Ear tufts and a thumb print are desired.

Eyes

The eyes are large, brilliant and expressive, slightly almond-shaped and set wide apart. The eye colour is pure and clear, amber to green. In the silver varieties green is preferred. The eye lids are encircled (eye rims) with the colour of the ticking in all colour varieties.

Coat

Short, fine and glossy with slight undercoat, but dense and lying elastically to the body.

Ticking

Double or preferably triple banding on each single hair. The ticking shall be extended evenly and without stripes over the entire body. The line along the spine (eel line), the tail tip and the plantar side of the hind paws are coloured intensely in the colour of the ticking.

The chest, belly and the inner side of the legs are without ticking and of the corresponding base colour.

Colour varieties

Without silver:

- ruddy
- blue
- fawn
- sorrel

With silver:

- black silver
- blue silver
- fawn silver
- sorrel silver

Description of the colours see at *Ticked Tabby*

Faults

- stripes on the front legs
- broken necklace
- grey or too light undercoat
- too little ticking
- ghost markings
- missing eye rims
- white extending beyond the chin

Faults that exclude the certificate

- white medallion (loket)
- unbroken necklace
- stripes on all 4 legs
- large amount of grey undercoat

Scale of points

Body	20 points
Head & ears	15 points
Eyes	10 points
Coat texture	10 points
Colour of body	25 points
Ticking	15 points
Condition	5 points