WCF Breed Standard



Oriental Shorthair (OSH)

Body

The medium sized, elegant cat is slender and muscular. The body is elongated and lithe. The rib cage and the shoulders are not wider than the hips. The legs are long and slender, the paws are dainty and oval. The neck is long and slender.

Tail

The tail is very long and whippy, thin at the base and ends in a pointed tip.

Head

The head is wedge-shaped.

The wedge starts at the nose and broadens on both sides in straight lines to the ears.

The nose is long and straight, the forehead is flat.

The profile is a slightly curved convex.

The muzzle is fine, with a strong chin, forming a vertical line with the tip of the nose.

Ears

The ears are very large with a broad base and pointed. They are set so that the outer edges continue the sides of the wedge.

Eyes

The eyes are almond-shaped and set slightly at a slant, in harmony with the wedge-shape of the head. The distance between the eyes is not less than the width of an eye. The colour is an intense green.

Coat

The coat is very short, glossy and close lying to the body. It has a silky texture and no undercoat.

Colour varieties

All colours and pattern, without pointed are recognized, also bicolour.

The description of colours is listed in the general list of colours.

Remarks

09, Van and Harlequin for registration purposes only.

Faults

too deep set or protruding eyes.

Faults that exclude the certificate

more yellow than green pigmentation in the eye colour

Disqualification

- ears set too low, not following the wedge-shape.
- Ears folding over (bonneting)

Permitted outcrosses:

Oriental Longhair/Mandarin, Siamese, Balinese, Foreign White SH and LH

Scale of points

Body 25 points
Head 25 points
Eyes 15 points
Coat texture 20 points
Coat colour and pattern 10 points
Condition 5 points