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Scottish Fold Shorthair (SFS)

Body
The medium to large sized cat is muscular and stocky.
Chest, shoulders and back are broad and massive.
The legs are short and muscular, the paws are thick and round.
The neck is short and solid.

Tail
The tail is of medium length, reaching at least to the shoulders. It ends in a rounded tip.
It should not have thickened areas or stiffness and should be fully flexible up to the tip.

Head
The head is rounded, massive, broad, rounded forehead with a firm chin.
The nose is short, broad and straight.
The profile is curved (without a stop).
The cheeks are full and round.
The large, round whisker pads give definition to the short, pronounced muzzle.

Ears
The ears are small and forward folded, with slightly rounded tips which point towards the center of the head. They are set wide apart and lie flat to the skull.
Straight ears:
Medium to small in size with rounded tips. They are set wide apart to show a round top to the head.

Eyes
The eyes are large and round, set wide apart.
Intense color is desired. Eye color ranges from orange, deep orange to copper.
Green eyes are allowed in golden and silver cats.
Orange eyes are possible in silver tabbies.
Blue and odd eyes are only allowed in pure white, van, harlequin and bicolor cats (01, 02 and 03), provided there is a white mask.
In colorpoint cats, the eye color is an intense blue, as dark as possible.

Coat
The coat is short and very dense, standing off from the body. It is plush, due to substantial undercoat.
The texture is crisp, not woolly.

Color varieties
All colors and colors with white (01, 02 and 03) and pointed colors with Siamese points without white are recognized.
The description of colours is listed in the general list of colours.

Remark:
White 09 (medallion, locket) is only permitted for pedigree registration.

Faults

- Ears not lying flat to the skull
- Body too long
- Tail too short, too long, not thick

Faults that exclude the certificate

- Any sign of lack of mobility
- Pale eye color
- Too short in profile
- Forehead too flat
- Coat color and pattern are not according to standard
- Stop in profile

Disqualification

- Medaillon, locket, bikini
- Inflexibility of any part of the tail
- Very small and underdeveloped

Permitted outcrosses:

Scottish Fold and with straight ears (Straight), Highland Fold and with straight ears (Straight)

Remark:

Mating between Scottish Fold / Highland Fold x Scottish Fold / Highland Fold is not permitted.
It is not permitted to register kittens with straight ears as British Shorthair / Longhair. They must be registered as Scottish / Highland Straight, and it is not permitted to use these kittens for breeding to British Shorthair / Longhair.

Scale of points

Body	20 points
Head, Ears	30 points
Eyes	10 points
Coat texture	10 points
Coat length	15 points
Coat, color & pattern	10 points
Condition	5 points