BREED CODE – BOM: BOMBAY

GENERAL TYPE STANDARD

The Bombay is a black cat, medium in size and muscular development - neither compact nor rangy. The coat is short and fine with a satin-like texture and a patent leather sheen. Its head is pleasingly rounded with no sharp angles, resulting in a full face with considerable breadth between the eyes. Males are generally larger than females.

HEAD: Pleasingly rounded with no sharp angles. The skull is rounded. The face should be full with considerable breadth between the eyes, tapering slightly to a short, well-developed muzzle.

EARS: Medium in size, set well apart, broad at the base and with slightly rounded tips. Tilting slightly forward.

EYES: Large, set far apart with a rounded aperture, giving a wide-set, open expression to the face.

NOSE: Short. Short also in profile with a moderate visible stop at the bridge of the nose between the eyes, but should not present a pugged or snub look.

CHEEKS: Short, rounded and with a well-developed muzzle.

JAWS: Broad and well-rounded.

CHIN: Firm, neither receding nor protruding, with a level bite, in a vertical line with the tip of the nose.

NECK: Strong, of moderate length, in proportion with the muscular body development.

BODY: Medium in size, muscular in development, neither compact nor rangy.

TAIL: Straight, medium in length. Neither short nor whippy.

LEGS: In proportion to the body and tail.

PAWS: Firm and rounded, in proportion to the legs.

SCALE OF POINTS

Head and neck	15	
Ears	5	
Eye shape and set	5	25
Body	20	
Tail	5	
Legs and paws	5	30
Coat length and texture	15	
Coat colour	15	
Eye colour	10	40
Condition	5	5
Total		100

FAULTS/PENALTIES

REFER TO GENERAL LIST COVERING ALL BREEDS, PLUS:

FAULTS: - Uneven coat colour.

- Flat skull or flat face.

- Ranginess or fine boning.

WITHHOLD: - Extreme nose break that interferes with normal breathing and tear drainage

- Nose leather or paw pads if other than black.

- Green eyes.

- Lockets or spots.

COAT AND COLOUR

COAT TEXTURE: Fine, short and satin-like in texture; close-lying with a glossy shimmering patent leather sheen.

COLOUR: Only accepted colour black.

COAT: The mature specimen should be black to the roots. Kitten coats should darken and become more sleek with age.

EYE COLOUR: Ranges from gold to copper; the greater depth and brilliance the better.

NOSE LEATHER AND PAW PADS: Black.