# **BREED CODE: BOM** - **BOMBAY**

#### **GENERAL TYPE STANDARD**

The Bombay is a medium-sized cat, well-balanced, friendly, alert, and outgoing; muscular and having a surprising weight for its size. The body and tail should be of medium length, the head rounded with medium-sized, wide-set ears, a moderate nose 'stop' which is visible (not a break), large rounded wide-set eyes, and an overall look of excellent proportions and carriage.

Head

The head should be pleasingly rounded with no sharp angles. The face should be full with considerable breadth between the eyes, blending gently into a broad well-developed moderately rounded muzzle that maintains the rounded contours of the head. In profile there should be a moderate visible stop; however, it should not present a 'pugged' or 'snubbed' look. Moderate stop is not to be considered a 'break' but a slight indentation at the bridge of the nose between the eyes thus providing a change of direction from the rounded head to the medium, rounded muzzle. The end of the nose is slightly rounded down thus completing the roundness of the head. The chin should be firm, neither receding nor protruding, reflecting a proper bite.

**Ears** 

The ears should be medium in size and set well apart on a rounded skull; alert, tilting slightly forward, broad at the base, and with slightly rounded tips.

**Eyes** 

Set far apart with rounded aperture.

**Body** 

Medium in size, muscular in development, neither compact nor rangy. Allowance is to be made for larger size males.

**Paws** 

Round. Toes, five in front, four in back.

Tail

Straight, medium in length; neither short nor 'whippy'.

Coat

Fine, short, satin-like texture; close-lying with a shimmering patent

leather sheen.

### Colour

The mature specimen should be black to the root. Kitten coats should darken and become more sleek with age. Nose leather and paw pads: black. Eye colour: ranging from gold to copper, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

### **SCALE OF POINTS**

Head & Ears	25
Roundness of Head	
Full Face and Proper Profile	
	Eyes
Placement & Shape 5	
Body & Tail	20
Body 15	
Tail 5	
Coat	20
Shortness 10	
Texture <b>5</b>	
Close Lying 5	
Colour	30
Body Colour 20	
Eye Colour 10	
TOTAL	100

### **Penalise:**

1. Excessive cobbiness or ranginess.

## **Disqualify:**

- 1. Kinked or abnormal tail.
- 2. Lockets or spots.
- 3. Incorrect number of toes.
- 4. Nose leather or paw pads other than black.
- 5. Green eyes.
- 6. Improper bite.
- 7. Extreme break that interferes with normal breathing and tearing of eyes.