

BREED CODE – SIB: SIBERIAN**GENERAL TYPE STANDARD**

The Siberian is a medium/large, strong cat of medium length hair, which takes 5 years to mature. The females weigh less than the males. They are extremely agile and athletic. Their muscles are mighty, outstanding and powerful. The back is medium and slightly lower in front than in the hind, but appears horizontal when in motion. A barrel shaped, muscular torso, develops with age. The hind legs, when straightened, are slightly longer than the forelegs. The paws are round, big and quite powerful. The overall appearance should be one of great strength, and power; the facial expression is quite sweet. The general impression is one of roundness and circles.

- Size:** medium to large, females mostly smaller than males
- Head:** Shape - a little bit longer than broad, softly rounded, massive
Forehead - broad, just slightly rounded
Cheeks - cheekbones well developed, high set
Nose - medium length, broad, in profile shows a slight indentation, but without stop
Chin - slightly slanting back, in profile creating a curve from the upper line of the nose
- Ears:** Shape - medium size, well open at the base, tips are rounded with well-developed hairs inside and tufts
Placement - with good width between, tilting slightly forward
- Eyes:** Shape - large, slightly oval shaped. A bit oblique, set widely apart
Colour - uniform, any colour is permitted, but preference is given to green
- Body:** Structure - well boned and muscled, powerful neck, broad chest, body in proportion to create a rectangular appearance
- Legs:** medium high, to form a rectangle with the body, strong
- Paws:** large, round, well tufted between toes
- Tail:** long, thick, rounded tip covered on all sides by dense hair with no hairs trailing down

Coat: Structure - semi-long, well developed, very dense, undercoat not lying flat, overcoat water repellent, slightly hard to touch. Summer coat is distinctly shorter than the winter coat. The winter coat shows a well-developed shirtfront, full frill and knickerbockers.

Colour/Patterns: All colour varieties are permitted, including all colour varieties with white; except pointed patterns, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon and fawn. Any amount of white is allowed, i.e. a white blaze, white locket, white chest, white on the belly, white on the paws, etc.

Faults

General too small or too finely built
Head long and narrow, straight profile, too round head (Persian type)
Ears too large or too high set
Eyes round eyes
Legs too long or too thin
Tail too short tail
Coat too fine or silky, lying flat, lack of coat (except in summer)

SCALE OF POINTS

Head	General Shape, Shape of Nose. Cheeks, muzzle, jaw, forehead, chin	25
Ears	Size, Shape, Placement	10
Eyes	Shape and Colour	10
Body	Shape, Size, Legs, Shape of Paws	20
Tail	Length and Shape	5
Coat	Quality, texture, length	25
Condition		5
	Total	100