

BREED CODE: BOM – BOMBAY

GENERAL TYPE STANDARD

The Bombay is a medium-sized muscular black cat, well balanced and neither compact nor rangy. The body and tail should be of medium length, the head rounded with medium-sized, wide-set ears, a moderate nose stop and large round wide-set eyes. The cat should present an overall look of excellent proportions and carriage. The jet-black coat is short and fine with a satin-like texture and a distinctive patent leather sheen. Males are generally larger than females. Its temperament is friendly, alert, and outgoing.

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. The nose is short, with the tip slightly rounded down to complete the roundness of the head.

In profile there should be a moderate visible stop at the bridge of the nose between the eyes, providing a change of direction. However, the head should not present a pugged or snubbed look. The chin should be firm, neither receding nor protruding, and in a vertical line with the tip of the nose, reflecting a proper bite.

The neck is strong, of moderate length, and in proportion with the muscular body.

Ears

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

Eyes

Large, set far apart with a rounded shape, giving an open expression to the face. Eye colour ranging from gold to copper, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

Body

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

Legs & Paws

Legs medium in length, muscular and in proportion to the body. Paws firm and rounded.

Tail

Straight, medium in length, neither short nor whippy.

Coat

Fine, short, and satin-like in texture with little to no undercoat; close-lying with a glossy patent leather sheen.

Colour

The mature cat's coat should be black to the roots. Kitten coats should darken and become more sleek with age. Nose leather and paw pads black.

SCALE OF POINTS

Head	35
Head & Neck	<u>15</u>
Ears	<u>5</u>
Eye Shape & Set	<u>5</u>
Eye Colour	<u>10</u>
Body	30
Body	<u>20</u>
Tail.....	<u>5</u>
Legs & Paws.....	<u>5</u>
Coat & Colour	30
Coat Length & Texture.....	<u>15</u>
Coat Colour	<u>15</u>
Condition	5
TOTAL	100

Faults

1. Excessive cobbiness or ranginess, fine boning.
2. Flat skull or face.
3. Head presenting a pugged or snubbed look.
4. Uneven coat colour.

Withhold Challenge Certificate or First Place in Kitten Classes

In addition to those in 'For the Guidance of Judges',

1. Extreme nose break that interferes with normal breathing and tear drainage.
2. Improper bite.
3. A noticeable number or patch of white hairs.
4. Nose leather or paw pads other than black.
5. Eye colour other than gold to copper.

