

The **LaPerm (LP)** is a medium-sized, curly-coated cat, with a semi-foreign type body. The **LaPerm Shorthair (LPS)** differs only in hair length.

 HEAD
 40 points

 Shape
 6

 Ears
 8

 Eyes
 8

 Chin
 5

 Muzzle
 5

 Nose
 2

 Profile
 4

 Neck
 2

BODY 23 points
Torso
Legs2
Feet
Tail 6
Boning 3
Musculature 5

HEAD:

<u>Shape</u>: Modified wedge with slightly rounded gentle contours. Whisker pads appear full and rounded. <u>Eyes</u>: Medium large almond shaped to rounded and expressive. Set moderately far apart and slightly slanted to the bottom of the outside ear base. Eye color has no relation to coat color.

<u>Muzzle</u>: Slightly broad in proportion to the wedge. <u>Profile</u>: Straight nose with gentle convex curve rising from the base of the eye to the top of the eye, Forehead should be a flat plane to the top of head, then smooth gentle curve back over top of head flowing down into neck. The brow, cheeks and profile should show gentle contours.

Ears: Medium to large. Placed to continue the modified wedge of the head; slightly flared and cupped; furnishings and earmuffs. Lynx tipping is desired.

Neck: Medium long and carried erect.

<u>Chin</u>: Strong and firm. Perpendicular line with tip of nose. <u>Nose</u>: Broad and straight with moderate length.

BODY:

Legs: Medium long with medium boning Hind legs are slightly longer than front legs.

Feet: Rounded.

<u>Tail</u>: In proportion to body. The LP will have a full plume tail and the LS will have "bottle brush" tail. Thicker at the base and taper toward the tip.

Boning: Medium.

Musculature: Well-muscled.

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:

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(LP) Medium-long to long; both males and females may have ruff on neck at maturity. The tail is plumed with some curling.

(LPS) Short to approximately medium long. There is no ruff. The tail is not plumed but hair may be wavy. Texture:

(LP) Curly or wavy, curl is preferred. The feel to the touch is unique among Rex

breeds. It has a springy, textured feel. IT IS NOT WIRY. The feel to the touch in degree of softness may vary among individual cats. The coat should be loose and bouncy and should stand away from the body. A coat you can run your fingers through to the skin. The coat is light and airy enough to part with a breath. The coat will have an almost unkempt appearance (the"Gypsy Shag" look). Longest and tightest curls are in the ruff and base of ear, CATEGORY: All. DIVISION: All. COLORS: All.

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:

Domestic longhair/ shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed...

The coat may vary in length and fullness according to the season and maturity of the cat.

(LPS) Curly or wavy. The feel to the touch is unique among Rex breeds. It is a textured feel. IT IS NOT WIRY. The feel to the touch in degree of softness may vary among individual cats. A springy coat texture standing away from the body with waves over most of the cat. Does not have a ruff or ringlets and the tail will be like a bottle-brush. At times this coat will part naturally down the middle of the back. <u>Pattern</u>: All.

Colors: All.

ALLOWANCES: Lockets; a frizzy-type appearance. Lack of ear furnishings and/or lack of, or short, whiskers in kittens. Jowls on mature males.

PENALIZE: Lack of ear furnishings (LP). Lack of, or short whiskers..

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW): Cobby body, short legs, straight coat