PERSIAN BREED GROUP (PS/HI/ES)

HEAD ....35 points
Shape 5
Ears.................5
Eyes.. 10
Chin................3
Nose 5
Profile 5
Neck …………….2

BODY....... 35 points
Torso 10
Feet and Legs 5
Tail 5
Boning 10
Musculature 5

COAT/COLOR/ PATTERN . . 20 points
Length/Texture 10
Color/Pattern 10

OTHER ..... 10 points
Condition 5
Balance 5

CATEGORIES:
PS: Traditional, Sepia, and Mink.
HI: Pointed.
ES: All.
DIVISIONS: All.
COLOR: All.
PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES: None.

HEAD:

Shape: Broad and round with a smooth doming, with great breadth. Medium to large in size and in proportion to body. Short, broad and full muzzle. Jaws are broad and powerful with perfect bite. Cheeks full and prominent.
Ears: Small with round tips. Set wide apart, fitting into contour of head.
Eyes: Large, round, and full. Set level and far apart giving a sweet expression to the face,
PS/ES: Deep brilliant eye color preferred which conforms to coat color.
HI: Deep blue preferred,
Chin: Strong, full and well-developed, Nose: Almost as broad as long with open nostrils.
Profile: Short, snub-nose, definite break directly between eyes. Forehead, nose and chin in straight line.
Neck: Short, thick and well- muscled.

BODY:

Torso: Medium to large firm cobby and well-rounded Deep chest and level back. Same width in shoulders and hips with a short, well-rounded abdomen and ribs
Legs: Straight short legs with substantial boning and firm muscles giving a sturdy appearance,
Feet: Large round feet.
Tail: Short and straight
Boning: Heavy, sturdy.
Musculature: Firm and well- developed, not fat.

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:

Length:
(PS/HI) Long all over the body. Full of life. Dense undercoat giving the coat full volume. Ruff should be immense..
(ES) Short, but slightly longer than other shorthairs. Soft, dense, plush; standing away from body.
Color:
(HI) Clear color preferred with subtle shading allowed. There must be a definite contrast between the body and point color. The points, comprising of the ears, legs, feet, tail, and mask, must show the basic color of the cat.

OTHER:

Condition/Balance: Should reflect excellent health and robust power with good muscle tone, well-muscled, but not fat. All parts of the body should be in proportion to each other.

ALLOWANCES: Consideration should be given to the fact that females will generally be smaller than males, but should be in proportion and balance for their size. Seasonal variations in coat.

PENALIZE: Long or narrow head; long Roman nose; thin muzzle; mild overshot or undershot jaw; bite deformity. Missing canine teeth in whole adult cats. Asymmetry: any obviously asymmetric head structure, (i.e., crooked or off-center nose, mouth, etc.), penalized according to severity. Ears that are large, pointed, slanting out from the head or set too close together. A narrow chest, or long back. Poor muscle tone. Poor coat condition. Slab flanks. Small or close-set eyes. Pale, weak eye color.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW): Overall lack of merit. Lockets or buttons. Poor overall condition. Eye color other than blue in Himalayans.

DISQUALIFY (DQ): Kinked tail.
Severe malocclusion or extremely asymmetric face structure; crossed, slanted or improperly focusing eyes. Severe overshot or undershot jaw.