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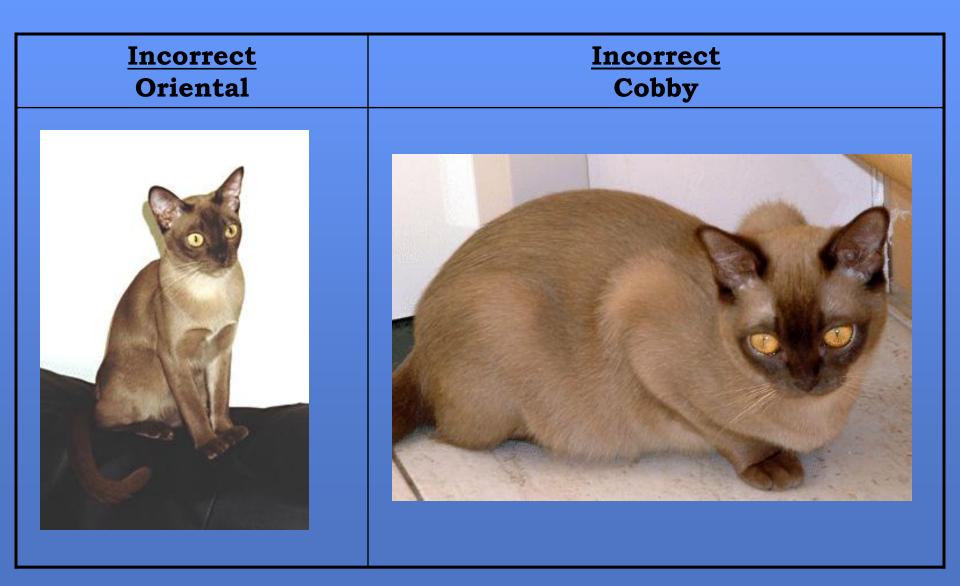
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General

GENERAL: The European Burmese is an elegant unique cat breed of far eastern origin, moderate type with gently rounded contours.



Any oriental elongation or excessive cobbiness is incorrect and should be regarded as a fault.



Head

HEAD: Top slightly rounded. Wide cheekbones, tapering to a short blunt wedge.

Correct
Top slightly rounded
Wide cheekbones
Short blunt wedge

Incorrect
Narrow cheekbones
Long pointed wedge





Ears

EARS: Medium in size. Set well apart. Slight forward tilt. Broad at the base. Slightly rounded tips.

Correct

Medium size. Good breadth.

Broad at the base.

Slightly rounded tips.

Incorrect
Large size. Set high on head.
Tips somewhat too pointed.





The outer line continues the shape of the upper face, except as that may not be possible in mature, full-cheeked males.

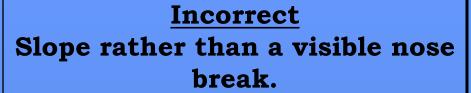
Correct because allowance should be made for stud cheeks



Muzzle

MUZZLE: Visible nose break.

<u>Correct</u> Visible nose break.







Visible nose break.

Correct Visible nose break

Incorrect "Look" too extreme





Visible nose break

Correct Visible nose break



Incorrect "Look" too extreme



Strong chin.

Correct Strong

Incorrect Weak





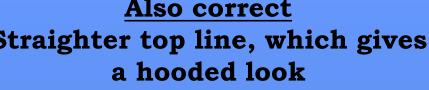
Eyes

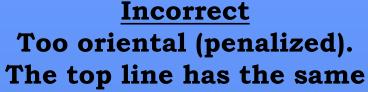
EYES: Large. Alert. Set well apart. Top line slightly curved, with an oriental slant toward the nose. Lower line rounded. Color should be yellow to amber. The deeper the color, the better. Lustrous and bright.



Top line slightly curved, with an oriental slant toward the nose.

Also correct Straighter top line, which gives a hooded look





shape as the bottom line. Green eyes (penalized).





Same cat but in different moods, which changes the shape of the eye!





Very relaxed

A little bit more alert but okay eye shape



Eyes rounded (especially the right one) due to owner playing with a feather.

Body

BODY: Body of medium length and size. Hard and muscular. Heavier than it looks. Chest strong and rounded in profile. Back straight from the shoulder to the rump.

Correct

Incorrect
Too long





Correct

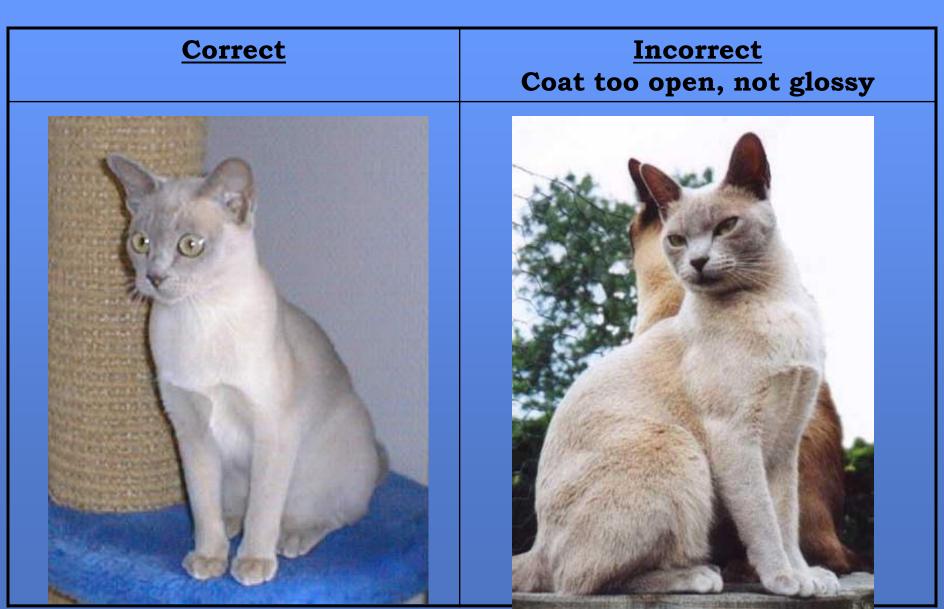
Incorrect Too short in body





Coat

COAT: short, fine close-lying. Very glossy. Satin-like in texture. Almost without undercoat.



Coat color

GENERAL: The coat shades gradually to the roots, with no smoke effect or ticking. Body underparts are slightly paler than the back. The points may show some contrast. Kittens and adolescents may have faint tabby markings and a lighter color. Non-red/cream adults should have no tabby markings.

NOTE:

RED: warm, orange apricot. Slight tabby markings permitted on the face. Small indeterminate markings permitted elsewhere (except on the side or belly) on an otherwise excellent cat.

CREAM: rich cream. Slight tabby markings permitted on the face. Small indeterminate markings permitted elsewhere (except on the side or belly) on an otherwise excellent cat.

Penalize

PENALIZE: Pronounced muzzle pinch (top view). Oriental eye shape. Round eyes. Green eyes



Disqualify

DISQUALIFY: white patches. Noticeable numbers of white hairs. Visible tail kink. Excessive tabby markings.

Excessive tabby markings for an adult



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