BURMESE/BOMBAY BREED GROUP (BU/BO)

The Burmese (BU) is cat of medium size with substantial bone structure, good muscular development. The Bombay (BO) is a medium-sized cat, well-balanced, friendly, alert, and outgoing.

HEAD: 35 points
- Shape: 7
- Ears: 5
- Eyes: 10
- Chin: 2
- Muzzle: 3
- Nose: 2
- Profile: 5
- Neck: 1

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN: 25 points
- Length: 8
- Texture: 7
- Color: 10

OTHER: 5 points
- Balance: 1
- Condition: 2
- Temperament: 2

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:
The overall impression of the ideal Burmese would be a cat of medium size with substantial bone structure, good muscular development and a surprising weight for its size. This together with a rounded head, expressive eyes and a sweet expression presents a totally distinctive cat which is comparable to no other breed. The Burmese is a cat of perfect physical condition, with excellent muscle tone. There should be no evidence of obesity, paunchiness, weakness, or apathy.

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:
- Length: Short.
- Texture: Fine, satiny, close-lying. Allowance should be made for kittens and younger cats up to 2 years of age.
- Color:
  - (BU): Color should be rich and sound to the root, with slight lightening on the underparts. Although a sepia solid color is preferred, allowance should be made for the extremities to be slightly darker than the torso in colors other than sable.
  - (BO): Dark to the roots. Shimmering, patent leather sheen. (Allowance should be made for kittens and younger cats up to 2 years of age.)

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES: None.

HEAD:
- Shape: Medium in size. Rounded, without flat planes. Face to be full with considerable width between the eyes.
- Eyes: Large, round, wide set, in line with the base of the ear. Color:
  - (BU): Gold.
  - (BO): Copper to gold--copper preferred.
- Chin: Firm, rounded.
- Muzzle: Rounded, short, broad, well-developed.
- Nose: The end is slightly rounded down.
- Neck: Well-developed. Short to medium.

BODY:
- Legs: Sturdy, proportionate. Rounded, ample chest.
- Feet: Rounded.
- Tail: Medium in length. Tapering to blunt tip.
- Musculature: Firmly muscled.

PENALIZE:
- (BO) Ranginess, fine boning; long, whippy tail; flat plane to forehead. Thick or open-lying coat.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW):
- Locket. (BO) Nose leather or paw pads other than black; green eyes; extreme Exotic type of break; extremely protruding eyes; and/or protruding chin.

DISQUALIFY (DQ): Improper bite.