

THE THAI GROUP

The Thai Group is the name used for cats of Korat type, but non-Korat coat colour or pattern.

GENERAL TYPE STANDARD

The Thais should not vary from the Korat in type in any respect. They are of medium build, firm, lithe and muscular, never large or coarse. The body to be of a medium length, with a medium tapering tail. Females are more dainty in appearance, but should not be undersized. The two distinctive features of the Korat should be present; the large, round eyes and coat's silvery sheen. Like the Korat, the Thais may be vocal without this indicating aggression.

HEAD

When viewed from the front the head is heart-shaped, with breadth between and across eyes, gently curving to a well-developed, neither strongly pointed nor square muzzle. Forehead large, flat.

NOSE

Short and with slight downward curve. In profile there is a slight stop between forehead and nose.

CHIN & JAW Strong.

EARS

Large with rounded tip and large flare at base, set high on head, giving an alert expression. Inside ears sparsely furnished.

EYES,

Large and luminous, particularly prominent. Wide open and oversized for the face; eye aperture, which appears as well-rounded when fully open, has Asian slant when closed or partially closed.

BODY

Medium sized body, strong, muscular and semi-cobby. Medium bone structure, males powerful, females should be smaller and dainty. Back carried in a gentle, natural curve.

LEGS & PAWS

Legs should be well-proportioned to body and paws oval. Five toes in front, four behind.

TAIL

Tail medium in length, heavier at the base, tapering to a rounded tip.

COAT

Single, hair is short to medium in length, glossy and fine, lying close to the body. The coat over the spine is inclined to break as the cat moves.

CONDITION

Perfect physical condition, muscular, alert appearance.

SCALE OF POINTS

Head (20)

Broad head	5
Profile	6
Breadth between eyes	4
Ear set and placement	5

Eyes

Shape and placement	15
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Body

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Legs and paws	5
Tail	5
<u>Coat (10)</u>	
Short	4
Texture	4
Close-lying	2

Condition 5

Colour (25)

Body colour	
(including pattern in the Blue Point)	20
Eye colour	5

Total 100

Withhold all Awards for:-

1. White marks or spots
2. Weak chin and/or uneven bite

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:-

1. Scattered white hairs
2. Incorrect eye colour
3. Any defect as listed in the preface to the official SOP booklet.

Thai Blue Point

BODY COLOUR

Off white with some shading on back and sides to tone with the points.

POINTS COLOUR

Any shade of blue, tipped with silver. Soundness to the roots is irrelevant. Tabby markings, whilst undesirable, may be evident, but should not unduly penalise an otherwise good exhibit. Nose leather, eye rims and lips blue. Paw pads blue, which may have a pinkish tinge. In kittens the mask may be incomplete.

EYE COLOUR

A clear blue.

Thai Lilac

BODY COLOUR

Lilac of a warm pinky-beige tone, tipped with silver, the more silver tipping the better. When the coat is short the silver sheen is intensified. Soundness to the roots is irrelevant, it is the lilac colour with an overall silver sheen that is desirable. Tabby markings, whilst undesirable, may be evident, but should not unduly penalise an otherwise good exhibit. Nose leather, eye rims and lips lilac. Paw

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EYE COLOUR

A clear green in adults. Kittens and adolescents up to two years may have yellow or amber to amber-green eyes.