Coordinating Cat Council of Australia - Breed Standard





General Standard

The Lykoi is a natural mutation from the wild domestic population. The Lykoi has a unique colour pattern which makes the hair coat appear roan. It is also partially hairless. There is a hairless mask that connects the nose, muzzle, eyes and ears. The combination of the colour, pattern, mask and partial hairlessness gives the Lykoi a werewolf-like appearance. Males are substantially larger than females.

Head	Modified wedge with rounded contours from nose to cheek to ears. Slightly rounded forehead. Slightly longer than wide. Muzzle is medium in length; fleshy, with gently rounded hairless whisker pads and a definite whisker break A concave curve from brow to ridge. There is a hairless mask connecting the muzzle, chin and nose with the ears.
Ears	Large, wide at the base and pointed on the tips, set high on the head, vertical and erect. Hairless with some sparse hair on outer surface allowed.
Eyes	Medium, oval in shape, almost round. Inside corner points to nose, outside corner points to the outside ear edge giving the appearance of a waxing moon. The rims are hairless appearing like white eyeline. Gold colour preferred.
Nose	Hairless and leathery to the touch, slightly rounded down at the end.
Chin	Well-developed aligned vertically with the nose, having a rounded appearance; full neither projecting nor receding.
Neck	Of medium length, neither thin nor overly muscular.
Body	Foreign type, lithe, slender.
Legs	Medium boning and length. Legs and feet are sparsely haired.
Paws	Medium in size and oval shaped. Toes are long in appearance.
Tail	Shorter than the body and tapers to a point.
Condition	Solid weight without excessive bulk.
Temperament	Must be unchallenging; any sign of definite challenge shall disqualify. The cat may exhibit fear, seek to flee, or generally complain aloud but may not threaten to harm.

Scale of Points

Head & neck	20	
Ears	10	
Eye shape & Set	5	35
Body	15	
Legs & paws	5	
Tail	5	25
Coat texture & length	15	
Eye colour	5	
Coat colour & pattern	15	
Mask	5	40
Total		100

Allowances

- Hairlessness varies from almost completely hairless to almost completely coated during phases of hair growth.
- Eyes to be smaller in proportion to head in kittens.
- Paw pads not consistent with colour.
- Pigmentation spots to full tanning can occur when exposed to sunlight.
- Lockets.

Faults & Penalties

Refer to general list of faults for all breeds plus: **Penalise:**

• More than sparse undercoat.

Withhold:

- Absence of hairless face mask.
- Any base colour other than black.
- No Roan (amelanistic hair).

Coat & Colour

Coat Length & Texture	Coat is short to medium length. Partially hairless with a minimal undercoat., Longer guard hairs cover the body. Amount of coat will vary depending on cycle of hair, but more coat is desirable over less coat. Coat resembles the look of an American opossum. Soft to the touch.
Coat Colour	Black Roan only. Other colours are allowed for breeding but are not to be shown. Thirty to 70% range of dark black from root to hair tip intermixed with white amelanistic from root to hair tip. A 50/50 mix is ideal.
Eye Colour	Gold colour preferred.

Breeding Notes

Allowable Outcross

Solid black Domestic S/H.

Notes

None

Standard Updates

March 2023 – Standard reformatted. This reformatted standard includes all previous updates and amendments.

For information on previous standard updates and amendments, please see the Register of Breed Standards Updates on the CCCA website or contact the CCCA Secretary.

19 November 2023 - "Foundation" section removed as this was not approved for inclusion in the reformatted standard.