

TURKISH ANGORA

GENERAL STANDARD

The ideal Turkish Angora is a balanced, graceful cat with a fine, silky coat that shimmers with every movement, in contrast to the firm, long muscular body beneath it.

HEAD: Small to medium, in balance with the length of the body and extremities. A medium long, smooth wedge. Allowance is to be made for jowls. In profile, two planes formed by a flat top head and the line of the nose meeting at an angle slightly above the eyes.

EARS: Large, wide at base, pointed and tufted. Set closely together, high on the head, vertical and erect.

EYES: Large, almond-shaped, slanting slightly upward with open expression.

NOSE: Medium length. No stop.

JAWS: Muzzle to be a continuation of the smooth lines of the wedge with neither pronounced whisker pad nor pinch.

CHIN: Firm, gently rounded. Tip in profile to form perpendicular line with nose.

NECK: Slim, graceful and rather long

BODY: Medium size, however, overall balance, grace and fineness of bone are more important than actual size. Males may be slightly larger than females. Body is long and slender, possessing greater depth than width, oval rather than round (not tubular). Shoulders the same width as hips. Rump slightly higher than shoulders. Finely boned with firm muscularity.

TAIL: Long and tapering from a wide base to a narrow end, with a full brush.

LEGS: Long. Hind legs longer than front.

PAWS: Small, round and dainty. Tufts between toes preferable.

BALANCE: Proportionate in all physical aspects with a graceful, lithe appearance.

CONDITION: Excellent condition is required. Any indication that the cat is not in good physical condition or has not had proper grooming should be penalised.

SCALE OF POINTS

Head [incl. shape and profile]	15
Ears [incl. size and placement]	15
Eyes [incl. size, shape and placement]	10
Body [incl. size, body, boning and neck]	25
Paws and Tail	5
Coat and colour	15
Overall condition	5
Balance	10

Total 100

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FAULTS

REFER TO GENERAL LIST FOR ALL BREEDS, PLUS:-

PENALISE:

- obviously oversized
- coarse appearance

DISQUALIFY:

- cobby body
- kinked or abnormal tail
- crossed eyes

The above disqualifiable faults require a harsher penalty than in the CCCA general list of faults.

COAT AND COLOUR

COAT LENGTH AND TEXTURE: Single coated. Length of body coat varies, but tail and ruff should be long, full, finely textured and have a silk-like sheen. "Britches" should be apparent on the hind legs.

COAT COLOUR: All colours and patterns accepted and all should be considered of equal value. All recognised colours or combination of colours except choc, lilac, cinnamon fawn, caramel & apricot & any recognised pattern except the Himalayan pattern.

Note - White buttons or lockets are permitted

EYE COLOUR: There is no relationship between eye colour and coat colour, and each eye colour type can include much variation within its spectrum, especially as cats mature.

ACCEPTABLE EYE COLOURS INCLUDE:

Blue, which encompasses shades from sky blue to sapphire;

Green, which can range from gooseberry to emerald;

Green-gold, which includes any gold or amber eye that carries a greenish cast or ring;

Amber, which can range from gold to rich copper but has *no* green cast or ring, and

Odd-eyed, with one blue eye and the other green, green-gold or amber.

While no points are specifically allocated to eye colour, deeper, richer tones are preferred. Odd-eyed cats should have similar depth of colour in both eyes.

NOSE LEATHER: Plain or mottled, to tone with the coat colour in the nose area.

PAW PADS: Plain or mottled, to tone with the coat colour in the paw pad area.

BREEDING NOTES

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSSES: None.