DEVON REX

GENERAL STANDARD

The Devon Rex is a well muscled and alert, medium-sized cat. Apart from its soft, rippling, wavy coat, its most distinctive feature is its head, which has exaggeratedly full cheeks, large lustrous eyes and oversized, flared ears. Males are generally larger than females.

HEAD: Has a short, gently rounded wedge, with broad, very full cheeks, a short muzzle, whisker break and strong chin. In profile the tip of the nose and the chin are in a straight line, there is a very marked stop, flowing up over a curved forehead to a flat skull.

EARS: Oversized for the head. They are large, flared and set very low, very wide at the base, with rounded tops and tufts, well covered with fine fur. Earmuffs are highly desirable.

EYES: Large and oval or almost round in shape and slanted slightly down towards the nose. They are set wide apart in harmony with the broad cheekbones.

NOSE: Short and broad, with a very marked stop.

CHEEKS: Very broad, with prominent cheekbones, giving a full-faced expression.

JAWS: Strong and well defined, with a short, broad muzzle and whisker break.

CHIN: Very firm, in balance with the broad muzzle. In profile, of good depth and in a vertical line with the tip of the nose.

NECK: Slender and in proportion to the head and body.

BODY: Slender, hard and muscular, of medium length, with a broad chest. The back-line straight and rising slightly towards the hindquarters.

TAIL: Fine, long and tapering, in proportion to the body, with wavy hair.

LEGS: Long and slim, well muscled and in proportion to the body. Hind legs slightly longer than the front.

PAWS: Small and oval.

SCALE OF POINTS

| Head and neck Ears Eye shape and set | 15 10 5 | 30 |
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| Body Legs and paws Tail | 15 5 5 | 25 |
| Coat wave, texture, coverage and length Crinkly whiskers and eyebrows | 35 5 | 40 |
| Condition | 5 | 5 |
| Total | | 100 |

FAULTS / PENALTIES

REFER TO GENERAL LIST OF FAULTS FOR ALL BREEDS, PLUS:

PENALISE:

- Shaggy, coarse, too long a coat or too little coverage.
- Not waved, bare or bushy tail.
- Lack of muscle tone.
- Small, close or high-set ears.
- Incorrect eye shape.
- Lack of defined stop in profile.
- Lack of ear muffs.
- Bare patches in kittens only.

WITHHOLD:

- Baldness, bare patches or straight coat.
- Body which is too fine or too short and thickset.

COAT AND COLOUR

COAT TEXTURE AND LENGTH: Waved or rippled and is very short, fine and soft. A small number of guard hairs may be present. The whiskers and eyebrows are crinkled, rather coarse. All colours and patterns are accepted. There are no points for coat colour.

CONDITION: Well muscled, lively and alert, with a soft coat in excellent condition.

EYE COLOUR: Clear and bright, any colour acceptable, but MUST be blue in pointed Rex. Odd-eyed Whites are permissible.

NOTES: Many Devon Rex have down on the under-parts. This should not be misinterpreted as bareness.

Pointed is not a variety, simply meaning a Rex cat showing the Himalayan coat pattern.

Allowance may be made for lack of curl and length of coat in kittens

Outcrosses – None (Unless under an approved experimental breeding program)