



Feline Fanciers' Federation Breed Standard MAINE COON

Maine Coon POINT SCORE

Scoring Area	Scores
Head	
(a) Shape	10
(b) Ears	10
(c) Eyes	5
(d) Muzzle, Chin and jaws	10
(e) Nose and profile	5
Body structure	
(a) Shape & Size	10
(b) Legs & Feet	5
(c) Boning	10
(d) Tail	5
Coat Color and Pattern	10
Coat	10
Balance	5
Condition	5
Total	100

GENERAL:

Originally Maine coon is a working cat. A distinctive characteristic is its smooth, shaggy coat. A well proportioned and balanced appearance with no part of the cat being exaggerated. Quality should never be sacrificed for size.

HEAD

EYES	Large, expressive, wide set with an opened oval shape. Eyes Slightly oblique setting with slant toward outer base of ear.
NOSE & PROFILE	Should be proportionate to the overall length of the head and should exhibit a slight concavity when viewed in profile. The profile should be relatively smooth and free of pronounced bumps and/or humps. A profile that is straight from the brow line to the tip of the nose nor should the profile show signs of having a “break” or “stop” is not acceptable.
EARS	Sharpe is large, well-tufted, wide at base, tapering to appear pointed. Set to approximately one ear’s width apart at the base and not flared.



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HEAD SHAPE	Medium in width and slightly longer in length than width with square to the muzzle. Cheekbone is high. Neck is medium long.
CHIN / MUZZLE	Visibly square, medium in length and blunt ended when viewed in profile. It may give the appearance of being a rectangle but should not appear to be tapering or pointed. Length and width of the muzzle should be proportionate to the rest of the head and present a pleasant, balanced appearance. The chin should be strong, firm and in line with the upper lip and nose. When viewed in profile the chin depth should be observable and give the impression of a square, 90-degree angle. A chin lacking in depth, i.e. one that tapers from the jaw line to the lip, is not considered strong, firm or desirable.

BODY:

SHAPE, SIZE & BONING	Muscular, broad-chested. Size is medium to large. The body should be long with all parts in proportion to create a well-balanced rectangular appearance with no part of the anatomy being so exaggerated as to foster weakness.
LEGS & FEET	Legs substantial, wide set, of medium length, and in proportion to the body. Forelegs are straight. Back legs are straight when viewed from behind. Paw is large, round, well-tufted.
TAIL	Long, wide at base, and tapering. Fur is long and flowing.

COAT:

Heavy and shaggy and coat is shorter on the shoulders and longer on the stomach and britches. Frontal ruff is desirable. Texture silky with coat falling smoothly

COAT COLOR:

Harmony in overall color tune is preferred.

EYE COLOR:

Brilliant in color. Odd eye color: a big contrast between two eye colors is required.

CONDITION:

Condition includes grooming, health condition, weight, coat texture, clean.



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DISQUALIFY:

- ❖ Delicate bone structure.
- ❖ Undershot chin, i.e. the front teeth (incisors) of the lower jaw overlapping or projecting beyond the front teeth of the upper jaw when the mouth is closed.
- ❖ Crossed eyes.
- ❖ Kinked tail.
- ❖ Incorrect number of toes.
- ❖ White buttons, white lockets, or white spots.
- ❖ Tip-tongue.

MAINE COON CODE AND NUMBERS

Type of Registered Cats	Male Class	Female Class
Pedigreed	PMCOM	PMCOF
Supernova	SMCOM	SMCOF

Maine Coon allowable outcross breeds: NONE