



## British Longhair

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### British Longhair POINT SCORE

Scoring Area	Scores
Head	
(a) Shape	5
(b) Ears	5
(c) Eyes	5
(d) Muzzle, Chin and jaws	5
(e) Nose and profile	5
Body structure	
(a) Shape & Size	20
(b) Legs & Feet	5
(c) Boning	5
(d) Tail	5
Coat Color and Pattern	20
Coat	20
Condition	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

#### GENERAL:

The British Longhair is compact, well-balanced and powerful, showing good depth of body, a full broad chest, short to medium strong legs, rounded paws, tail thick at base with a rounded tip. The head is round with good width between the ears, round cheeks, firm chin, medium ears, large round and opened eyes, and a medium broad nose. The coat is long, very dense and texture is hard not soft. Individuals should convey an overall impression of balance and proportion in which no feature is exaggerated to foster weakness or extremes.

#### HEAD

EYES	large, round, well opened. Set wide apart and level
NOSE & PROFILE	medium, broad. In profile there is a gentle dip.
EARS	ear set is important. Medium in size, broad at the base, rounded at the tips. Set far apart, fitting into (without distorting) the rounded contour of the head
HEAD SHAPE	round and massive. Round face with round underlying bone structure well set on a short thick neck. The forehead should be rounded with a slight flat plane on the top of the head. The forehead should not slope.



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MUZZLE	distinctive, well-developed, with a definite stop beyond large, round whisker pads.
CHIN	firm, well-developed in line with the nose and upper lip

### BODY:

SHAPE	medium to large, well knit and powerful. Level back and a deep broad chest.
LEGS & FEET	short to medium, well-boned and strong. Legs are in proportion to the body. Forelegs are straight.
TAIL	medium length in proportion to the body, thicker at base, tapering slightly to a rounded tip.

### COAT:

Long, very dense, well bodied and firm to the touch. Texture is solid and hard rather than soft.

### COAT COLOR:

For cats with special markings: 10 points for coat color and 10 points for markings. Shadow tabby markings in solid color, smoke, shaded, shaded golden, bi-color, or calico kittens are not a fault.

### For the British Longhair Shaded Color:

**SHADED SILVER:** a genetically silver variety of British Shorthair in which the color is restricted to the ends of the hairs in the form of tipping and the undercoat is so pale as to appear white. The coat on the back, flanks, head, ears and tail should be tipped with color. The tipping should be evenly distributed and it is the even distribution rather than the degree of tipping which is of paramount importance. Heavily tipped cats should not be penalized as long as the tipping is even and free from tabby markings; in fact, they are preferable to cats with so little tipping that they are almost white. The legs should show tipping which will decrease towards the paws, but which should be as even as possible. The chin, stomach, chest and under tail should be as pale as possible. The tipping may be of any recognized solid, tortoiseshell or blue-cream colors. **Nose leather and paw pads:** to correspond with the coat color. Mingled pink and/or brick red in torties and blue-creams. **Eye color:** gold or copper with the exception of shaded silver which is to have green or blue-green eyes only.

**SHADED GOLDEN:** the non-silver version of the shaded/tipped British Shorthair in which the undercoat is a rich warm cream color, with a mantle of black/dark brown tipping. The coat on the back, flanks, head, ears and tail should be tipped with color. The tipping should be evenly distributed and it is the even distribution rather than the degree of tipping which is of paramount



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importance. The legs should show tipping which will decrease towards the paws, but which should be as even as possible. The chin, stomach, chest and under tail is a pale apricot color. **Nose leather:** brick red may be outlined in black/brown. **Paw pads:** black/dark brown. **Eye color:** green or blue-green.

**CHINCHILLA SILVER:** undercoat pure white. Coat on back, flanks, head and tail sufficiently tipped with black to give the characteristic sparkling silver appearance. Legs may be slightly shaded with tipping. Chin, ear tufts, stomach and chest, pure white. Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with black. **Nose leather:** brick red. **Paw pads:** black. **Eye color:** green or blue-green.

**CHINCHILLA GOLDEN:** undercoat pale honey to bright apricot. Coat on back, flanks, head and tail sufficiently tipped with black to enhance a golden appearance. Legs and end of tail may be shaded with tipping. Chin, ear tufts, stomach and chest to be consistent dilute color, much lighter in tone than the undercoat color. The general effect is lighter than a shaded golden due to less tipping. Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with black. **Nose leather:** pink. **Paw pads:** black. **Eye color:** green or blue-green.

**SHELL CAMEO (Red Chinchilla):** undercoat white, the coat on the back, flanks, head and tail to be lightly tipped with red. Face and legs may be lightly shaded with tipping. Chin, ear tufts, stomach and chest should be white. **Nose leather:** pink. **Paw Pads:** pink. **Eye color:** copper.

**SHADED CAMEO (Red Shaded):** undercoat white with a mantle of red shading down the sides, face and tail. Face and legs may be a deeper shading than the rest of the body. Chin, ear tufts, stomach and chest are to be white. The general effect to be much redder than the shell cameo. **Nose leather:** pink. **Paw Pads:** pink. **Eye color:** Copper.

### 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.

### DISQUALIFY:

- ❖ Incorrect eye color, green rims in adults.
- ❖ Tail defects.
- ❖ Long or fluffy coat.
- ❖ Incorrect number of toes.
- ❖ Locket or button.
- ❖ Improper color or pigment in nose leather and/or paw pads in part or total.



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- ❖ Any evidence of illness or poor health.
- ❖ Any evidence of wryness of jaw, poor dentition (arrangement of teeth), or malocclusion.

### BRITISH LONGHAIR CODE AND NUMBERS

Type of Registered Cats	Male Class	Female Class
Pedigreed – British Longhair Others	PBLOM	PBLOF
Supernova – British Longhair Others	SBLOM	SBLOF
Pedigreed – British Longhair Shaded	PBLSM	PBLSF
Pedigreed – British Longhair Shaded	SBLSM	SPLSF

**British Longhair allowable outcross breeds:** British Shorthair