

## Feline Fanciers' Federation Breed Standard

# Konja POINT SCORE

Scoring Area	Scores
Head	
(a) Shape & Size	10
(b) Nose & Profile	5
(c) Ears	5
(d) Eyes	5
(e) Muzzle, Chin and jaws	5
Body structure	
(a) Shape & Size	15
(b) Legs & Feet	5
(c) Tail	5
Coat	
(a) Length	5
(b) Texture	10
Color	
(a) Body Color	15
(b) Eye Color	10
Condition	5
Total	100

#### **GENERAL:**

Konja or "Rong Mod" is a natural breed of Thailand. In Thailand, the solid black cat is known as a Konja, or in some instances a Ninlarat. These black cats have the characteristic oriental physique and often have gold eyes. They have an unusually black coat that is such a saturated color it shines. When you see a Konja for the first time, one immediately thinks of a panther! Black as night with eyes that almost glow in the dark.

While the Konja is described in the *Tamra Maew* (Cat Poems), only <u>Kamnan Preecha</u> continues to breed and preserve this color of cat in Thailand to show visitors for educational purposes. This is because the Konja is encountered in nearly every temple, it is not a rare color.

Konja's cat is very similar to the "Bombay" but some of few standards are different



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### **HEAD**

EYES	Slightly and moderately large and luminous. An open oval shape, but with a noticeable Asian slant when relaxed. Set a bit more than an eye width apart. Eye color is either yellowish green or yellow compared to the color of blossoming gourd flowers. Eyes must be clear and vivid in color
EARS	Slightly large, wide at the base, round ear tips, somewhat longer than width at base. Ears should point toward 11 and 1 o'clock. Ears should be well separated from each other, a bit less than an ear base width apart. Ear size should be appropriate to the face size
NOSE & PROFILE	Long, very slightly convex forehead. Slightly curved but with slight, straight, downhill slope from brow to just below the eyes
HEAD SHAPE AND SIZE	Modified wedge, with medium width and moderate length. Viewed from the front, the face appears elliptical. Tip of nose and tips of ears form points of an equilateral triangle. Top head is smooth without any bump or horn. Structure of the skull is a bit heart shape
MUZZLE and CHIN	Medium in length and width. Muzzle is small tapering and gently rounded. Moderate chin, proportional to the nose

### **BODY:**

SHAPE & SIZE	Medium torso. Very firm musculature. Males should have more muscle than females, but should not be cobby or thick-necked. Underbelly is mostly firm, level and parallel to the ground.
LEGS & FEET	LEGS: Medium to slightly long, well-proportioned to body. Boning medium, neither fine-boned nor heavy-boned. PAWS: oval in shape, medium in size. Toes: five in front and four behind
TAIL	Tapering long, measurable at least same length from the tail tip to the shoulder and longer is better. Proportional to the body, tapering gradually to the tip. Tail should be flexible without any kink.

### **COAT & SKIN:**

Hair is medium short in length, fine; smooth enough to reveal musculature. Hair is single layer. Coat looks very shiny and smooth in texture.



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### **COLOR:**

COAT COLOR: Pure black. Shiny and smooth in appearance

Paw pads: Black

EYE COLOR: luminous, vibrant color, either Yellowish green or yellow compared to the color of blossoming gourd flowers.

#### **CONDITION:**

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

#### **PENALIZE:**

- ❖ Fully round eyes with no indication of an Asian slant.
- Small or dull looking eyes.
- Short, blunt muzzle or long, pointed muzzle.
- Straight profile.
- Small ears, very large pointed ears, or ears set low or high (significantly above or below 11 and 1 o'clock).
- Overly cobby or overly foreign body.

### **DISQUALIFY:**

- Visible tail kink.
- Incorrect number of toes.
- Crossed eyes.
- ❖ Any color but black.
- Eye color not yellowish green or yellow

### KONJA CODE AND NUMBER

Type of Registered Cats	Male Color	Female Color
	Class	Class
Pedigreed	PKONM	PKONF
Supernova	SKONM	SKONF

Konja allowable outcross breeds: None