

## **BRITISH SHORTHAIR**

Scale of points (see also General Preface)

<u>Head &amp; Neck</u>	10	The head is very broad and massive, with well-rounded contours. Cheeks are well-developed. Nose is short and broad. Good muzzle. Neck is short and bull-like, particularly in males.
<u>Ears</u>	5	The ear set is important. Small to medium in size and set far enough apart that the base of the inner ear is perpendicular to the outer corner of the eye. Broad at the base and slightly rounded at the tip.
<u>Eyes</u>	15	Opening is large and round, set well apart to show the breadth of the nose. Eye color must conform to the requirements of the coat color (see Appendix).
<u>Body &amp; Tail</u>	20	Medium to large. Shoulders broad and flat. Hips are the same width as the shoulders. Males more massive than females. Chest full and rounded. Body well-knit and powerful. Tail is thick at the base, with a slight taper. The length is in proportion to the body.
<u>Legs &amp; Feet</u>	5	Legs of good substance and in proportion to the body, giving it the appearance of being carried low to the ground. Feet and toes are well-rounded.
<u>Color</u>	25	Coat color shall be as described in the color descriptions (see Appendix). All colors and/or patterns including self-chocolate and self-lilac, but not the pointed (Siamese) patterns. Lighter color on undersides not to be penalized on solid-color cats.
<u>Coat Length And Texture</u>	10	Coat should be short, dense and resilient; not woolly, open or double-coated.
<u>Condition &amp; Balance</u>	10	Very hard and muscular, without indication of fat, giving general appearance of activity.