

DEVON REX

The Devon Rex is of unique appearance, whose look should make you smile. Its large eyes, moderately short muzzle, prominent cheekbones, and huge low-set ears create a characteristic elfin look. A cat of medium fine frame, the Devon is well-covered with soft, wavy fur; the fur is of a distinctive nature, as the mutation that causes its wavy coat is cultivated in no other breed. The Devon is alert and active and shows a healthy interest in its surroundings.

Scale of Points

<u>Head</u>	10	Comparatively small. Modified wedge shape (not to be confused with <u>moderate</u>) see diagrams. Face is to be full-checked with pronounced cheekbones and whisker break. In profile, nose has a definite stop; forehead gently curves back to a flat skull.
	5	Muzzle is moderately short and well-developed with prominent whisker pads. The chin is strong and well-developed. Devon Rex whiskers are brittle and break easily; whiskers and eyebrows that are kinked, twisted, or bent stubs, are not out of the ordinary and not to be faulted.
	5	Eyes are large and wide-set, oval in shape, and sloping slightly upwards toward outer edges of the ears. Color should be clear and intense, appropriate to coat color. Where copper is called for in a color description, substitute gold.
	10	Ears are large, very wide at base, set low so the outside base of ear extends beyond the base of the wedge, tapering to rounded tops, and well-covered with fine fur. This look completes the pixie or elfin look. With or without ear muffs and/or ear-tip tufts.
<u>Body</u>	10	Torso is hard and muscular, slender and of medium length, broad in the chest, carried high on legs. Boning is medium fine. (Males may be proportionately larger than females.)
	10	The legs are long and slim with the hind legs longer than the front legs. Paws are small and oval.
	5	The tail is long, fine, and tapering; well-covered with short fur. Bare patches on tail to be penalized.
	5	The neck is medium-long and slender. Allowance should be made for jowls and muscular neck in the mature males. Jowls make the ears appear smaller than they actually are.
<u>Coat</u>	35	The coat is very short, fine and wavy. The cat is well-covered with fur; however, the existence of down on the underparts of the body, or kitten suede, which is an even fine covering of hair lacking waves, should not be misinterpreted as bareness. Bare patches are NOT a fault in kittens, but are a serious fault in adults. Allowance should be made for lack of full development of coat until the cat matures which is about 18 months of age. The Devon's coat should not be compared with the marcelled coats of other Rex breeds. The greatest density of fur is on the back, sides, tail, face and ears. Slightly less density is permitted on the top of the head, neck, chest and abdomen. Sparse hair on the temples (the forehead in front of the ears) is not a fault.
<u>Color</u>	5	All colors and patterns are acceptable

PENALIZE: Narrow, long, or Domestic Shorthair head type; small or high set ears; short, bare or bushy tail; straight or shaggy coat; bare patches in ADULTS (after 18 months of age).

