

# **NAPOLEON STANDARD SHORT HAIR BREED STANDARD**

## **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The Napoleon's distinctive short legs developed from a spontaneous autosomal dominant mutation. The short legs do not hamper mobility or survival ability. The Napoleon comes in both Standard (short legs) and Non-Standard (long legs). The only difference in the two cats is the length of the legs. The Napoleon comes in both Short and Long Hair, with no difference between the two except the length of the hair. The ideal Napoleon is a medium sized cat with strong boning and musculature. The face should be round with a pleasant expression and large, round, deep colored, expressive eyes. The Napoleon should be balanced physically, with exception to the short legs, and temperamentally, gentle and amenable to handling.

Scale of Points (See also General Preface)

<b><u>HEAD</u></b>	10	<b><u>Shape:</u></b> Round, broad, and smooth domed. Should be medium to large in size and in proportion to body. Jaws broad with good tooth occlusion. Cheeks should be moderately full and blend with the overall roundness of the face. Overall a very sweet expression.
Ears	6	Medium to small and round tipped. Set wide apart, fitting into the contour of the head.
Eyes	10	Large, round and full. Set level and moderately far apart giving a sweet expression to the face, eye color has equal importance to size and shape. Deep brilliant eye color is preferred which conforms to coat color.
Chin	4	Strong, moderately full, fitting into the face.
Nose	4	Only moderately longer than broad. Muzzle should be moderately short and full.
Profile	8	Moderately short nose with a slight dip below the eyes. Forehead, nose and chin form a pleasing “baby doll” profile. There shall be no break between the eyes.
Neck	2	Moderately short, thick and well muscled.
<b><u>BODY</u></b>	8	<b><u>Torso:</u></b> Semi-cobby to moderately long, thick, well rounded in mid section. Medium in size. Slight rise from the shoulders to the tail as the back legs are slightly longer than front legs. Well rounded chest and ribs with firm hips.
Legs	10	Short, medium to heavy boned, with allowance for the slightly lighter boning found in Silvers. Well developed and with firm musculature. The hind legs are slightly longer than the forelegs.

<u>Feet</u>	4	Round and medium to large, pointing forward.
Tail	8	Medium and in proportion to body length.
Boning	10	Medium to heavy with allowance for the slightly lighter boning found in Silvers. Sturdy and in proportion.
Musculature	6	Firm and well developed.
Coat/Color/ Pattern	10	Short, but slightly longer than most shorthairs. Soft, dense, plush, standing away from the body. All colors and patterns allowed.

NOTE CFF Rules of Registration allow the use of the Munchkin Short Hair and Munchkin Long Hair, Persian, Himalayan, Exotic Short Hair and Exotic Long Hair as outcrosses for Napoleons. Do not penalize for difference in type as long as the cat meets the above Standard. Cross breeding with any other breed is not permitted.

#### CONDITION AND BALANCE

Should reflect excellent health with good muscle tone. Other than the short legs on the Standard cats, all parts of the body should be in proportion to each other.

#### PENALIZE

Wedge-shaped head; thin muzzle; wry, overshot or undershot bite; large, pointed or poorly set ears; excessive bowing of the legs; poor muscle tone; small, close-set eyes; pale, weak eye color; protruding eyes; excessive tearing of the eyes.

#### WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS

Overall lack of merit. Poor overall condition.

#### DISQUALIFY

Obvious break between the eyes. Kinked tail. Severe malocclusion or asymmetry to the face structure. Crossed, slanted or improperly focusing eyes. Any evidence of lameness.