RAGDOLL (RD)

HEAD . . . . . 40 points
- Shape 10
- Ears 5
- Eyes 5
- Chin 5
- Muzzle 5
- Profile 5
- Neck 5

BODY . . . . . 35 points
- Torso 10
- Legs 5
- Feel 5
- Tail 5
- Boning 5
- Musculature 5

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN . . 25 points
- Length 5
- Texture 5
- Pattern 5
- Color 10

CATEGORY: Pointed.

DIVISIONS: Solid Division, Tabby Division, Tortie Division and Particolor Division (mitted and bicolor patterns).

COLORS: All pointed colors.

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES: None.

HEAD:

Shape: Broad modified wedge, with slightly rounded contours, slightly rounded forehead, appearance of flat plane in area between ears, skull medium in size.

Ears: Medium in size, continuation of modified wedge, broad at base, slight tilt forward, rounded tip, medium furnishings.

Eyes: Blue, large, oval, moderately wide-set, outer aperture to fall in line with base of ear, not oriental.

Chin: Well-developed.

Muzzle: Round, medium in length.

Profile: Gentle curve, with straight last segment (at the nose). Chin well-developed, strong, in line with nose and upper lip

Neck: Short, heavy, strong.

BODY:

Torso: Medium to large, long and substantial with full chest, rump slightly higher than shoulders, shoulder blades broad, not prominent. Fat pad on lower abdomen acceptable (Greater Omentum), heavier in hindquarters. Females may be appreciably smaller than males.

Legs: Substantial boning, medium length, in proportion to body, hind legs slightly higher than front legs.

Feet: Large, round, tufting desirable.

Tail: Long, equal to body length from rump, medium at base with a slight taper, carried at an angle higher than back.

Boning: Strong, substantial.

Musculature: Muscular, powerful.

COAT:

Length: Semi-long, medium undercoat. Allow for shorter coats on unaltered adults and seasonal variations.

Texture: Silky, plush.

Miscellaneous: The coat lies with the body and breaks as the cat moves. The coat is longest around the neck and the outer edges of the face giving the appearance of a bib. The coat is short on the face and increases in length from the top of the head down through the shoulder blades and back, with the coat on the sides and stomach being medium to long. The fur on the front legs is thick and short to medium in length. The fur on the hind legs is medium to long, thick and feather-like. The paws are feather-tufted. Abundant ruff desirable.

COLOR/PATTERN: Body and point color are weighted equally.

SOLID POINT DIVISION:

Points: Ears, mask, feet and tail to be darker, well-defined color.

Body: Definite contrast between body and points, chest, bib and chin areas may be somewhat lighter in color. Soft shadings of color are allowed on body. Allowance to be made for a cat under 2 years of age

PARTICOLOR DIVISION:

Mitted Pattern:

Points: Legs (except for feet), ears, mask, and tail well-defined. A broken or evenly matched white blaze of even dimension on nose and/or between eyes to be acceptable. White not extending into the colored nose leather. Chin must be white.

Front feet: White mittens evenly matched.

Back Legs: Entirely white extending no higher than mid-thigh. White must go around the hocks entirely.

Body: Definite contrast between body and points. There should be a white belly stripe, varying in width from the bib down the underside between the forelegs to under the base of the tail

Bicolor Pattern:

Points: Ears, mask and tail to be well-defined. Mask to have an inverted "V" which should be as symmetrical as possible and should not extend beyond the outer edge of the eye on either side. The nose leather must be pink.

Body: Chest, stomach, all four legs, feet and ruff are to be white. Definite contrast between body and points, may have various markings of white and color patches. White should reach above the elbow on the front legs, and above the hock on the rear legs.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The ideal Ragdoll grows large and heavy. Full maturity of color is not achieved until 2 years old and full weight and size is not expected for at least 4 years. The cat is firm and muscular with no fat except on the lower abdomen. Overall impression is of subdued power.

ALLOWANCES: Lighter eye color in dilutes. Seasonal changes in coat length and texture.

PENALIZE:

General: Short tail, pointed ears, short legs; cobby body, Roman nose.

Mitted: Any dark spotting on white mittens, lack of white belly stripe, white on ears and/or tail.

Bicolor: Pigment on stomach; whiskers other than white, white on ears and/or tail, white beyond the outside edge of the eye, or pigment on any area designated white.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW):

General: Any eye color other than blue.

Pointed: Any white.

Mitted: Lack of white chin.

Bicolor: Any dark markings on area of white mask.

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Temperament must be unchallenging; any sign of definite challenge shall disqualify. The cat may exhibit fear, seek to flee, or generally complain aloud but may not threaten to harm. ***In accordance with Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN, the following shall be considered mandatory disqualifications:*** *a cat that bites (216.9), a cat showing evidence of intent to deceive (216.10), adult whole male cats not having two descended testicles (216.11), cats with all or part of the tail missing , except as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.1), cats with more than five toes on each front foot and four toes on each back foot, unless proved the result of an injury or as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.2), visible or invisible tail faults* ***if Board approved standard requires disqualification*** *(216.12.4), crossed eyes* ***if Board approved standard requires disqualification*** *(216.12.5), total blindness (216.12.6), markedly smaller size, not in keeping with the breed (216.12.9), and depression of the sternum or unusually small diameter of the rib cage itself (216.12.11.1). See Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN for more comprehensive rules governing penalties and disqualifications.*