

# SCOTTISH FOLD SHORTHAIR

<b>HEAD</b>	<b>50 Points</b>
Shape	(15)
Ears	(20)
Eyes	(15)
<b>BODY/TAIL</b>	<b>25 Points</b>
Shape/Size	(10)
Tail	(15)
<b>COAT</b>	<b>15 Points</b>
<b>COLOR</b>	<b>10 Points</b>

**General:** The Scottish Fold Shorthair cat occurred as a spontaneous mutation in farm cats in Scotland. The breed has been established by crosses to British Shorthair and Domestic cats in Scotland and England. In America, the outcross is the American and British Shorthair. All bonafide Scottish Fold cats trace their pedigree to Susie, the first fold-ear cat discovered by the founders of the breed; William and Mary Ross.

Scottish Fold Shorhairs can take up to two years to fully develop. Especially the development of the prominent cheek and jowl appearance that is expected in the males. Also eye color changes very slowly in Highland Folds sometimes making it difficult to determine if the eye color and coat color correspond.

## Head:

**Shape/Size:** Well rounded with a firm chin and jaw. Muzzle to have well rounded whisker pads. Head should blend into a short neck. Nose to be short with a gentle curve. A brief stop is permitted but a definite nose break is considered a fault. Profile is moderate in appearance. Prominent cheeks with a jowly appearance in fully developed adult males.

**Ears:** Fold forward and downward. Small. Tightness of the ears is not of major consequence as long as the ears project a definite forward and downward appearance. Ear tips to be rounded. The ears should be set in a cap-like fashion to expose a rounded cranium.

**Eyes:** Wide open with a sweet expression. Large, well rounded and separated by a broad nose. Eye color to correspond with coat color.

## Body and Tail:

**Body:** Medium, rounded and even from shoulder to pelvic girdle. Level back, with no evidence of humping or stiffness. The cat should stand firm on a well padded body. There must be no hint of thickness or lack of mobility in the cat due to short coarse legs. Toes to be neat and well rounded with five in front and four behind. Overall appearance is that of a well rounded cat with medium bones. The cat shall be proportionate in statue, to include the head, body, tail and legs. Weight is not a factor except if the cat looks undernourished, weak, listless or otherwise in poor health.

**Tail:** Medium to long but in proportion to the body. Tail must be flexible and tapering.

## Coat:

Short, dense and resilient.

## Accepted Colors:

Every color, or combination of colors, is allowable with or without white. Any amount of white is allowed (e.g. locket to Van pattern). The degree of symmetry is of no importance. Nose leather and paw pads are accepted in all colors and in any color combination, not necessarily related to coat color except where noted. Cats with white on paws must have pink paw pads or they may be bi-color or multi-color. Silvers are allowed to have a light tarnish not to exceed 5% on the entire body (includes body, head, tail and legs) without penalty.

## **SOLID COLORS**

**White:** Pure clear white. Eyes deep blue, brilliant copper or odd (one blue and one copper eye) with equal color depth. Nose leather and paw pads pink.

**Blue:** Even blue, lighter shades preferred; one level tone without shading or markings from nose to tip of tail, and sound to the roots. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads blue.

**Black:** Lustrous jet black, with sound color from the roots to the tips of fur. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads black or charcoal.

**Cream:** One level shade of buff cream, lighter shades preferred; free from shading, markings or ticking, sound to the roots. Lips and chin same color as the coat. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads pink.

**Red:** Deep rich, clear red, free from shading, markings or ticking, and sound to the roots. Lips and chin the same color as coat. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads brick red.

## **TABBY COLORS/PATTERNS**

**Classic Tabby Pattern:** The markings on the Classic Tabby should be dense and broad. The pattern on the body side consists of a large swirl, with a light center of ground color, resembling a "Bull's Eye". A "Butterfly" pattern of spots and stripes can be seen over the upper back and shoulders. Spine lines should begin at the shoulders and extend to the base of the tail. Full bracelets and distinct "vest buttons" should be evident. A Classic Tabby should have at least one complete necklace. **Objections:** Broken necklaces only, broken circle in the "Bull's Eye".

**Mc Tabby Pattern:** The markings on the Mackerel Tabby should be dense, but they may be either narrow or broad. The pattern on the body side consists of well-defined slightly curved penciling resembling "fish skeleton" ribs. Markings on other body areas will show linear form. Spine lines will begin on the head and extend down the back to the base of the tail. A Mackerel Tabby should have at least one complete necklace. **Objections:** Broken necklaces only, multiple breaks in the penciling.

**Spotted Tabby Pattern:** The markings on the Spotted Tabby should be fairly well defined spots. They can vary in size and shape, both round and oblong are acceptable. The spine lines should run from the shoulders to the base of the tail and ideally consist of rows of spots. The necklaces on Spotted Tabbies should be broken. There are three forms of Spotted Tabby. All are equally acceptable: (1) A fully broken, evenly arranged spotting along mackerel pattern lines. (2) A fully broken pattern of spots arranged as if both a classic pattern and mackerel pattern were overlaid on the same cat forming spots where the two patterns overlap. (3) Rosette spotting, spots which encircle an area of ground color within each spot (rare). **Objections:** Spots that join to form lines, such as are seen in the mackerel Tabby or to join in "blotches" as would be typical of the Classic Tabby.

**Ticked Tabby Pattern:** The Ticked Tabby is without stripes or blotch markings on the body sides and back. The pattern is called "agouti" and results from the banding, or ticking, of color with ground color alternating with major color on each hair shaft. The pattern results in a coat pattern similar to deer fur. There may be a darker area along the spine, particularly in older cats. The neck, and legs may be marked significantly with bands (necklaces and bracelets). Necklaces should be broken in the Ticked Tabby. The tail may show light rings. **Objections:** Absence of less than three bands of color in the normal coat along the back or sides of the cat, as in the Shaded. Tabby stripes in the agouti pattern.

**Blue Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, should be pale bluish ivory. Markings a very deep blue affording a good contrast with the pale ground color. Warm fawn overtones or patina over the whole. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads rose.

**Cream Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, of very pale cream. Markings of buff or cream sufficiently darker than ground color to afford good contrast, but remaining within the dilute color range. Eye brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads pink.

**Red Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, should be red. Markings a dense, darker red affording a good contrast with the lighter red ground color. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads brick red.

**Brown Tabby:** The ground color should be a rich, tawny brown. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Markings dense black. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather brick red, paw pads black or brown.

**Silver Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, pale pure silver. Markings dense black. Rims of eyes, nose and lips outlined in black. Eyes green, gold or amber. Nose leather brick red, paw pads black.

**Cameo Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, of pale ivory. Markings red diminishing in intensity of color approaching the roots of the hairs. Clarity of markings to take precedence over depth of tipping. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads rose.

**Blue Patched Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, should be pale bluish ivory. Markings a very deep blue affording a good contrast with the pale ground color. patches of cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. Markings of cream on the face are desirable. Warm fawn overtones or patina over the whole. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads rose and/or pink.

**Brown Patched Tabby:** The color should be a rich, tawny brown. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. markings of dense black and patches of red and/or cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. Markings of red and/or cream on the face are desirable. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather brick red, paw pads brick red, black and/or brown.

**Silver Patched Tabby:** The ground color, including lips and chin, are pure pale silver. Markings dense, black, patches of red and/or cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. Markings of red and/or cream on the face are desirable. Rims of eyes, nose and lips outlined in black. Eyes green, gold or amber. Nose leather brick red, paw pads black and/or brick red.

## **TORTOISESHELL COLORS**

**Blue Cream:** Blue and cream, lighter shades preferred, in clearly defined and well broken patches on both body and extremities. Markings of cream on the face are desirable. Eye brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads blue and/or pink.

**Tortoiseshell:** Black, red and cream in bright, clearly defined and well broken patches on both body and extremities. Markings of red and/or cream on the face are desirable. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads black and/or brick red.

## **CAMEO COLORS**

**Shell Cameo:** The undercoat should be ivory white. The coat on back, flanks, head and tail should be sufficiently tipped with red to give the characteristic sparkling appearance. The legs and face may be very slightly shaded with tipping, but the chin, ear tufts, stomach and chest should be ivory white without tipping. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather, rims of eyes and paw pads rose.

**Cameo:** The undercoat should be ivory white. A mantle of red tipping shading gradually down the sides, face and tail, from dark on the ridge to ivory white on the chin, chest, belly and under the tail, the legs to be same tone as the face. The general effect to be much redder than a shell. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather, rims of eyes and paw pads rose.

**Smoke Cameo:** Ivory white undercoat deeply tipped with red. Cat in repose appears red; in motion the white undercoat is clearly apparent. Extremities and face red with narrow band of white at base of hair next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Ivory white frill and ear tufts. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather, rims of eyes and paw pads rose.

## **SILVER COLORS**

**Chinchilla:** The undercoat should be a pale silver or silvery white. The coat on back, flanks, head and tail should be sufficiently tipped with jet black to give the characteristic sparkling silver appearance. The legs and face may be slightly shaded with tipping, but the chin, ear tufts, stomach and chest should be silvery white without tipping. Rims of eyes, lips and nose to be outlined in black. Eyes green or blue-green. Nose leather brick red, paw pads black or dark charcoal.

**Shaded Silver:** The undercoat should be a pale silver or silvery white. A mantle of black tipping shading gradually down the sides, face and tail, from dark on the ridge to silvery white on the chin, chest, belly and under tail; the legs to be the same tone as face. The general effect to be much darker than a chinchilla. Rims of eyes, lips and nose to be outlined in black. Eyes green or blue-green. Nose leather brick red, paw pads black or dark charcoal.

## **SMOKE COLORS**

**Blue Smoke:** White undercoat deeply tipped with blue. Cat in repose appears blue; in motion the white undercoat is clearly apparent. Extremities and face blue with narrow band of white at base of hair next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. White frill and ear tufts. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads blue.

**Black Smoke:** White undercoat deeply tipped with black. Cat in repose appears black; in motion the white undercoat is clearly apparent. Extremities and face black with narrow band of white at base of hair next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Light silver frill and ear tufts. Eyes brilliant copper. Nose leather and paw pads black.

**VAN:** A cat comprised mostly of white with color allowable as follows:

- #1: Confined to head and tail. This is a perfectly marked van, and therefore, the most desirable.

The following markings will rank behind the above in desirability on an equal level with each other. These are still acceptable markings and should not carry a color penalty.

- #2: Confined to the head, tail, feet and legs.
- #3: Trail extension onto the back from the base of the tail and/or where the color extends down the backside of the hind legs. Note: The extension onto the back may contain some white, but must not be completely broken with white.
- #4: Shoulder extension where the color extends down the back and neck to the shoulder area.
- #5: One or two small body patches anywhere on the body.

The van may be marked as numbered above, or any combination of the numbered possibilities, bearing in mind that the least amount of color markings other than head and tail is most desirable.

**OBJECTION:**    **Pattern:**    **Classic Tabby** - Broken necklaces only, broken circle in the “Bull’s Eye”.  
**Mc Tabby** - Broken necklaces only, multiple breaks in the penciling.  
**Spotted Tabby** - Spots that join to form lines, such as are seen in the mackerel Tabby or to join in “blotches” as would be typical of the Classic Tabby.  
**Ticked Tabby** - Absence of less than three bands of color in the normal coat along the back or sides of the cat, as in the Shaded. Tabby stripes in the agouti pattern.

**DISQUALIFY:**                      Kinked tail.  
Tail that is foreshortened.  
Tail that is lacking in flexibility due to abnormally thick vertebrae.  
Stiffness of leg joints.  
Definite nose break.