

RAGDOLL BREED GROUP (RD/CB)

The **Ragdoll (RD)** is a large semi-longhair, blue eyed pointed cat of moderate type.
The **Cherubim (CB)** is a large semi-longhair, mink, sepia or traditional colored cat of moderate type.

HEAD	40 points
Shape	9
Ears	5
Eyes	7
Chin	5
Muzzle	4
Profile	9
Neck	1
BODY	35 points
Torso	8
Legs/Feet	5
Tail	4
Boning	10
Musculature	8
COAT/COLOR/PATTERN	25 points
Length	4
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CATEGORY: RD – Pointed; CB – Mink, Sepia & Traditional
DIVISIONS: All.

COLORS:

RD - All pointed colors.

CB – All Mink, Sepia & Traditional colors, except solid white

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES: None

HEAD:

Shape: Broad modified wedge, with slightly rounded contours, with the appearance of a flat plane in the area between ears when looking at the head from the front, skull medium in size.

Ears: Medium in size, broad at base, rounded tip. Set as much on top of the head as on the side, slightly tilted forward.

Eyes: Large oval. Level set; moderately wide apart. Emphasis should be on correct shape, size and placement.

Preference given to deeper tones in all colors.

RD - Blue, CB - Mink: Blue-Green to Green-Blue (Aqua); Sepia: Gold or Gold-Green (chartreuse) Traditional: Bronze, Copper, Gold, Yellow, Green, or Hazel

Chin: Well developed, with good depth, forming a perpendicular line with the upper lip and tip of the nose.

Muzzle: Rounded, medium in length; in line with wedge. **Profile:** Straight nose to bridge, followed by a concave curve to the brow. Convex curve to the forehead. Appearance of a flat plane between the ears.

Neck: In proportion to head and torso.

BODY:

Torso: Medium-long to long, substantial. Broad chest. Fat pad on lower abdomen acceptable. Females may be smaller than males. **Legs:** Substantial boning, in proportion to body, hind legs slightly longer than front legs.

Feet: Large, round, tufting desirable.

Tail: Equal to length of body. Thicker at base, with slight taper.

Boning: Substantial.

Musculature: Well-muscled with solid weight.

COAT:

Length: Semi-long, allow for shorter coats on unaltered adults and seasonal variations. Correct coat texture is more important than coat length.

Texture: Silky soft. Minimal undercoat gives the coat body, but the coat still falls smoothly. Not wooly or cottony.

COLOR/PATTERN:

SOLID POINT/SOLID DIVISION:

(RD) Pointed: Ears, mask, legs, feet and tail to be darker, well-defined color. Chest bib and chin areas may be somewhat lighter in color.

Even, lighter color on the body with minimal shading. Soft shadings of color are allowed. Definite contrast between body and point color. Allow for darker body color in older cats. Allow for undeveloped color in young cats.

(CB) Mink: Even, medium shade of body color, showing contrast to points. Allow for darker body color in older cats. Allow for undeveloped color in kittens and young cats.

(CB) Sepia: Body color closer to that of extremities, showing slighter contrast to points. Allow for darker body color in older cats. Allow for undeveloped color in kittens and young cats.

(CB) Traditional: Even solid color for solid-colored coats

ANY COLOR AND WHITE DIVISION:

Mitted Pattern:

Head: May have a broken or evenly matched white blaze on nose and/or between eyes. White not to extend into the inner corner of the eye, nose leather or whisker pads. Chin must be white.

Front Feet: Evenly matched white mittens not to extend above the bend of paw. All toes to be white.

Back Legs: White goes up to and around the hocks entirely and extends no higher than mid-thigh.

Body: White stripe extending from chin through chest and length of belly.

Bicolor Pattern:

Head: White inverted “V” on face that completely surrounds the pink nose leather and does not extend beyond the outer edge of the eye on either side. The “V” to be as symmetrical as possible. White chin. **Body:** Chest, stomach, and ruff are white. Saddles may include white or shading in body color.

Feet and Legs: All white preferred.

Paw Pads: Pink preferred.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The ideal cat of this breed group is a large semi-longhaired cat with a sweet personality. They are a well-balanced cat of moderate type, with no extremes, and no one feature overpowering another. The breed grows large and heavy but is slow to mature and may not reach full weight and size for four years. Full color is not reached until 3 years old. They are muscular cats with little fat except on the lower abdomen fatty pad.

ALLOWANCES:

General: Seasonal changes in coat length, shorter coats on unaltered adults and kittens. Females may be smaller than males.

Mitted and Bicolor Patterns only:

Feet and Legs: Small spots of point color in designated white areas.

Paw Pads: Spots of point color on paw pads or colored paw pads.

PENALIZE:

General: Very small ears, any eye shape other than oval, Roman nose, straight profile, cobby body, short legs, short tail, wooly/cottony coat texture.

Mitted: Lack of white belly stripe; white on ears and/or tail. **Bicolor:** White beyond the outside edge of the eye. White on ears and/or tail.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW)

General: Domic. RD- Any eye color other than blue. CB; Mink - Any eye color other than blue-green to green-blue (aqua), Sepia; Any eye color other than: Gold or Gold-Green (chartreuse), Traditional; Any eye color other than Bronze, Copper, Gold, Yellow, Green, or Hazel

Pointed: Any white.

Mitted: Lack of white chin.

Bicolor: Any dark markings inside the white “V” including the chin.

DISQUALIFY (DQ): Crossed eyes. Visible or severe tail faults. Severe cow hocks.



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.

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