

SIAMESE (SIA)



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Scale of Points

Type (50)	
Head	15
Ears	5
Eye shape & Setting	5
Body	15
Legs & Feet	5
Tail	5
Colour & Coat (50)	
Eye Colour	15
Points Colour	10
Body Colour	15
Coat texture	10

General Type Standard

General	The Siamese cat should be a beautifully balanced animal with head, ears and neck carried on a long svelte body, supported on fine legs and feet, with a tail in proportion. The head and profile should be wedge-shaped, neither round nor pointed. The eyes should be a clear brilliant blue; the expression alert and intelligent.
Head	Long and well proportioned, with width between the ears, narrowing in perfectly straight lines to a fine muzzle, with straight profile, strong chin and level bite, carried upon an elegant neck.
Ears	Rather large, wide at the base, set so as to follow the lines of the wedge. Adult exhibits should be penalised equally for ears which are set too high or too low, distorting the balanced triangular effect.
Eyes	Oriental in shape and slanting towards the nose, but with width between. They should not be deep-set. The haw should not cover more than the corner of the eye.

Body, Legs & Feet	Body medium in size, long and svelte, legs proportionately slim, hind legs slightly higher than the front legs, feet small and oval. The body, legs and feet should all be in proportion, giving the whole a well balanced appearance.
Tail	Long and tapering and free from any kink.
Points	Mask, ears, feet and tail dense and clearly defined colour, matching in basic colour on all points, showing clear contrast between points and body colour. Mask complete and (except in kittens) connected by tracings with the ears.
Coat	Very short and fine in texture, glossy and close-lying.
Colour	As per individual colour standards, any shading to appear on back and sides. Bib, chest and belly to be pale.

Withhold all Awards for:

1. White markings anywhere.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Any abnormality of bite or very weak chin
2. Cast in one or both eyes
3. Eyes tinged with green or green-rimmed
4. Incorrect colour on nose leather or paw pads
5. A complete hood, i.e. no contrast on head
6. Any defect as listed in the preface to this SOP booklet.

Faults:

1. Lack of contrast between body and points.

SEAL POINT SIA n

Points - Clearly defined dense warm seal brown, matching in tone on all points and showing clear contrast between points and body colour. In kittens the mask may not be complete and the colour on points may be much paler; this should not be faulted. Cold or black, or greyish points are incorrect in kittens and adults.

Body - Cream. Even shading, if any, to be of warm fawn colour to tone with the points. In kittens the body colour may be muddy fawn. A cold white or greyish body colour is incorrect in kittens and adults.

Eyes - Clear, brilliant, deep blue.

Nose Leather and Paw Pads - Seal brown.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open classes for:

1. Pale or dull eye colour
2. Cold or black or grey toned points colour
3. Cold white/greyish body colour
4. Heavily marked or shaded body
5. General Siamese withholding faults

BLUE POINT SIA a

Points - Light blue. All points to be the same colour. The ears should not be darker than the other points.

Body - Glacial white shading gradually into blue on back, the same cold tone as the points, but of a lighter colour.

Eyes - Clear, bright, vivid blue.

Nose Leather and Paw Pads - Blue.

Additional Faults:

1. Cream, fawn or self blue body colours
2. Lack of tracings to the mask.

CHOCOLATE POINT SIA b

Points - Milk chocolate; the mask, ears and tail to be the same colour. The ears should not be darker than the mask. Legs paler than the other points should not be too heavily penalised. Pale patchy points colour in kittens should not be penalised.

Body - Ivory all over. Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

Eyes - Clear, bright, vivid blue.

Nose Leather and Paw Pads - Chocolate or pinkish chocolate.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Cold points colour.
2. Very dark points colour.
3. Heavily shaded body
4. General Siamese withholding faults.

LILAC POINT SIA c

Points – Pale grey with a pinkish over-tone. Blue, chocolate or fawn toned is undesirable. A brownish over-tone is a fault and should be penalised.

Body - Magnolia. A cold white coat is incorrect. Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

Eyes - Clear vivid blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather and Paw Pads – Pale pinkish grey.

Tail - Of a matching tone with the other points. Some rings may be evident; while this is undesirable it should not be considered a withholding fault.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Cold white body colour
3. Predominance of brown in the points colour
4. Mauve paw pads or nose leather.
4. Unmatching points colour
5. Heavy shading on the body
6. General Siamese withholding faults.

CINNAMON POINT SIA o

Points - Warm cinnamon brown. The legs may be slightly paler than the other points.

Body - Ivory. Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather and Eye Rims - Cinnamon brown.

Paw Pads - Pink to cinnamon brown.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Cold points or body colour
3. General Siamese withholding faults.

CARAMEL POINT SIA m

Points – Dark brownish blue (in blue based), brownish grey (in lilac/fawn based), matching on all points although the legs may be slightly paler in tone than the other points.

Body - Off-white. Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims and Paw Pads - Brownish purple (in blue based) or pinkish grey (in lilac/fawn based).

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Points not matching in colour
3. General Siamese withholding faults.

FAWN POINT SIA p (Provisional)

Points - Warm pale rosy mushroom. The legs may be slightly paler than the other points.

Body - Off-white (magnolia). Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims and Paw Pads - Pinkish fawn.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Cold points or body colour
3. General Siamese withholding faults.

APRICOT POINT SIA em

Points - Mask, ears and tail apricot, hot in tone with a slightly darker dusting that develops and becomes more noticeable with maturity. The legs and feet will be slightly paler in colour but definite colour should show at the rear of the hind legs below the hock. Barring and striping on mask, legs and tail is permissible. Mature cats may show a pewter sheen on the ghost tabby markings, but also under the feet. There should be no hairs of other colours, though small areas of pigmentation to the skin on nose, paw pads, lips, eyelids and ears ('freckles') are permitted and should not be penalised

Body - Warm creamy white. Shading, if any, to tone with the points. Such shading may be uneven and an Apricot Point should be penalised for shading no more nor less severely than a Blue Point.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims & Paw Pads - Pink.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Cool toned cream in points or body colour
3. Presence of hairs of other colours than the appropriate points and body colour.
4. General Siamese withholding faults.

TABBY POINT

Points - The mask, legs and tail should all show clear tabby markings which should be the same colour on all points, although leg markings may be slightly paler in tone. Paler markings are acceptable in kittens. In Tortie Tabby Points the distribution and degree of patching is immaterial

Mask - Clearly defined stripes, especially around the eyes and nose, with a clearly defined 'M' marking on the forehead, distinct stripes ('ribbons') on the cheeks and darkly spotted whisker pads. The stripes should not extend over the top of the head to form a 'hood'.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Ears - The edges of the ears should be the same colour as the markings on the mask with a central patch of paler colour resembling a thumb print. These thumb prints may be less apparent in dilute colours. In Tortie Tabby Points the ears may be mottled.

Legs - Clearly defined varied sized broken stripes. Solid markings on back of hind legs. The leg markings may be slightly paler in tone than the other points, especially in Red, Cream and Apricot Tabby Points.

Tail - Many varied sized, clearly defined rings which should be evident on the top of the tail as well as underneath it and should extend for the entire length of the tail. There should be a solid tip of the pattern colour except in Red, Cream and Apricot Tabby Points where the tip may be pale and in Tortie Tabby Points where it may show tortie markings.

Body - Pale, showing clear contrast with the points as in the equivalent solid-pointed Siamese. Any shading on the body will show the underlying tabby pattern which may be ticked, spotted, mackerel or classic. A Tabby Point should be penalised for shading no more nor less severely than the equivalent solid-pointed Siamese. Any shading should tone with the points. In Tortie Tabby Points both tabby shading and tortie patching, if any, should tone with the points.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Lack of clear tabby markings on mask
3. Lack of clear rings on at least half of tail
4. Points not matching in colour
5. General Siamese withholding faults.

SEAL TABBY POINT SIA n 21

Points - Clear seal brown or near-black tabby markings. Nose leather seal brown or pink rimmed with seal brown. Eye rims seal brown or black. Paw pads seal brown or pink.

Body - Cream, deepening to pale warm fawn on the back. In kittens the body colour may be muddy fawn.

BLUE TABBY POINT SIA a 21

Points - Clear light blue tabby markings. Nose leather blue or pink rimmed with blue. Eye rims blue. Paw pads blue or pink.

Body - Glacial white, deepening to cool light blue on the back.

CHOCOLATE TABBY POINT SIA b 21

Points - Clear chocolate tabby markings which may be almost copper in tone. Cold, dark, near-seal markings are incorrect and should be penalised. Nose leather chocolate or pink rimmed with chocolate. Eye rims chocolate. Paw pads chocolate or pink.

Body - Ivory.

LILAC TABBY POINT SIA c 21

Points - Clear pinkish grey tabby markings. Nose leather faded lilac or pink rimmed with faded lilac. Eye rims faded lilac. Paw pads faded lilac or pink.

Body - Magnolia.

RED TABBY POINT SIA d 21

Points - Clear bright reddish-gold tabby markings. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads pink. 'Freckles' may occur on nose, paw pads, lips, eyelids and ears. Slight freckling in a mature cat should not be penalised.

Body - White.

CREAM TABBY POINT SIA e 21

Points - Clear cool toned cream tabby markings. A hot cream is incorrect and should be penalised. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads pink. 'Freckles' may occur on nose, paw pads, lips, eyelids and ears. Slight freckling in a mature cat should not be penalised.

Body - Creamy white.

CINNAMON TABBY POINT SIA o 21

Points - Clear warm cinnamon brown tabby markings. Nose leather cinnamon brown or pink rimmed with cinnamon brown. Eye rims cinnamon brown. Paw pads cinnamon brown or pink.

Body - Ivory.

CARAMEL TABBY POINT SIA m 21

Points - Clear dark brownish blue (in blue based) or brownish grey (in lilac/fawn based) tabby markings. Nose leather brownish purple or pink rimmed with brownish purple (in blue based) pinkish grey or pink rimmed with pinkish grey (in lilac/fawn based). Eye rims brownish purple (in blue based) or pinkish grey (in lilac/fawn based). Paw pads brownish purple (in blue based) pinkish grey (in lilac/fawn based) or pink.

Body - Off-white.

FAWN TABBY POINT SIA p 21

Points - Clear warm pale rosy mushroom tabby markings. Nose leather pinkish fawn or pink rimmed with pinkish fawn. Eye rims pinkish fawn. Paw pads pinkish fawn or pink.

Body - Off-white (magnolia).

APRICOT TABBY POINT SIA em 21

Points - Clear hot cream tabby markings hot in tone with a slightly darker dusting that develops and becomes more noticeable with maturity. Mature cats may show a pewter sheen on the tabby markings, particularly on the head but also under the feet. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads pink. 'Freckles' may occur on nose, paw pads, lips, eyelids and ears. Slight freckling in a mature cat should not be penalised.

Body - Warm creamy white.

SEAL TORTIE TABBY POINT SIA f 21

Points - Clear seal brown or near-black tabby markings patched and/or mingled at random with shades of red. Nose leather and paw pads seal brown and/or pink. Eye rims seal brown or black and/or pink.

Body - Cream, deepening to pale warm fawn on the back. In kittens the body colour may be muddy fawn.

BLUE TORTIE TABBY POINT SIA g 21

Points - Clear light blue tabby markings patched and/or mingled at random with shades of cream. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads blue and/or pink.

Body - Glacial white, deepening to cool light blue on the back.

CHOCOLATE TORTIE TABBY POINT SIA h 21

Points - Clear chocolate tabby markings, which may be almost copper in tone, patched and/or mingled at random with shades of red. Cold, dark, near-seal markings are incorrect and should be penalised. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads chocolate and/or pink.

Body - Ivory. Tabby shading and tortie patching, if any, to tone with the points.

LILAC TORTIE TABBY POINT SIA j 21

Points - Clear pinkish grey tabby markings patched and/or mingled at random with shades of cream. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads faded lilac and/or pink.

Body - Magnolia.

CINNAMON TORTIE TABBY POINT SIA q 21

Points - Clear warm cinnamon brown tabby markings patched and/or mingled at random with shades of red. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads cinnamon brown and/or pink.

Body - Ivory.

CARAMEL TORTIE TABBY POINT SIA k 21

Points - Clear dark brownish blue (in blue based) or brownish grey (in lilac/fawn based) tabby markings patched and/or mingled at random with shades of apricot. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads brownish purple (in blue based), or pinkish grey (in lilac/fawn based), and/or pink.

Body - Off-white.

FAWN TORTIE TABBY POINT

SIA r 21

Points - Clear warm pale rosy mushroom tabby markings patched and/or mingled at random with shades of cream. Nose leather, eye rims and paw pads pinkish fawn and/or pink.

Body - Off-white (magnolia).

RED POINT SIA d

Points - Mask, ears and tail rich bright reddish gold. The legs and feet will be paler in colour but the bright colour should show at the rear of the hind legs below the hock. Barring and striping on mask, legs and tail is permissible. There should be no hairs of other colours, though small areas of pigmentation to the skin on nose, paw pads, lips, eyelids and ears ('freckles') are permitted and should not be penalised

Body - Warm white. Shading, if any, to tone with the points. Such shading may be uneven and a Red Point should be penalised for shading no more nor less severely than a Seal Point.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims and Paw Pads - Pink.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Pale or dull colour on mask, ears or tail in adults
3. Presence of hairs of other colours than the appropriate points and body colour.
4. General Siamese withholding faults.

TORTIE POINT

Points - The base colour is patched and/or mingled at random with varying shades of red, cream or apricot; any large areas of red, cream or apricot may show some striping. Points need not be evenly broken but each point must show some break in colour no matter how small; broken pad colour constitutes a break in colour on that leg. Presence or absence of a blaze is immaterial.

Body - Pale, showing clear contrast with the points as in the equivalent solid-pointed Siamese. Any shading will show patching or mingling and a Tortie Point should be penalised for shading no more nor less severely than the equivalent solid-pointed Siamese.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims and Paw Pads - In accordance with the base colour and/or pink.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Any one point showing complete absence of broken colour
- 3a. Black in points or body colour in Seal Tortie Points
- 3b. Dark blue in points or body colour in Blue Tortie Points
- 3c. Cold dark chocolate in points or body colour in Chocolate Tortie Points
- 3d. Dark lilac in points or body colour in Lilac Tortie Points
- 3e. Cold points or body colour in Cinnamon or Fawn Tortie Points
- 4a. Absence of red in mask, ears and tail in adult Seal, Chocolate or Cinnamon Tortie Points
- 4b. Hot cream in points or body colour in Blue or Lilac Tortie Points
5. General Siamese withholding faults.

SEAL TORTIE POINT SIA f

Points - Seal brown with shades of red.

Body - Cream. Shading, if any, to tone with the points. In kittens the body colour may be muddy fawn.

BLUE TORTIE POINT SIA g

Points - Light blue with shades of cool toned cream.

Body - Glacial white. Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

CHOCOLATE TORTIE POINT SIA h

Points - Milk chocolate with shades of red.

Body - Ivory. Shading, if any, to tone with points.

LILAC TORTIE POINT SIA j

Points - Pinkish grey with shades of cool toned cream.

Body - Off-white (magnolia). Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

CINNAMON TORTIE POINT SIA q

Points - Warm cinnamon brown with shades of red.

Body - Ivory. Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

CARAMEL TORTIE POINT SIA k

Points – Dark brownish blue (in blue based) or brownish grey (in lilac/fawn based) with shades of apricot.

Body - Off-white.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims and Paw Pads - Brownish purple (in blue based) or pinkish grey (in lilac/fawn based), and/or pink

FAWN TORTIE POINT SIA r

Points - Warm pale rosy mushroom with shades of cream.

Body - Off-white (magnolia). Shading, if any, to tone with the points.

CREAM POINT SIA e

Points - Mask, ears and tail cool toned cream with a powdery look. A dark but cool toned cream is permissible, but a hot cream is incorrect. The legs and feet will be slightly paler in colour but definite colour should show at the rear of the hind legs below the hock. Barring and striping on mask, legs and tail is permissible. There should be no hairs of other colours, though small areas of pigmentation to the skin on nose, paw pads, lips, eyelids and ears ('freckles') are permitted and should not be penalised

Body - Creamy white. Shading, if any, to tone with the points. Such shading may be uneven and a Cream Point should be penalised for shading no more nor less severely than a Blue Point.

Eyes - Brilliant intense blue, the deeper the better.

Nose Leather, Eye Rims and Paw Pads - Pink.

Withhold Certificates or First Prizes in Kitten Open Classes for:

1. Pale and/or dull eye colour
2. Hot cream in points or body colour
3. Presence of hairs of other colours than the appropriate points and body colour.
4. General Siamese withholding faults.