DEVON REX (DR)

HEAD 40 points
Shape 10
Ears 10
Eyes 5
Muzzle and Chin 5
Profile 5
Neck 5
BODY
Torso 10
Legs and Feet 10
Tail 5
COAT/COLOR 35 points
Texture
Length5
Color 5

CATEGORIES: All.

DIVISIONS: All.

COLORS: All.

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:

American Shorthair, British Shorthair, European Shorthair, Burmese, Bombay, Sphynx, Siamese.

HEAD:

Shape: Modified wedge, with very full cheeks. In the front view, the wedge is delineated by a narrowing series of three (3) distinct convex curves: outer edge of ear lobes, cheekbones, and whisker pads Forehead curving from stop to flat skull. Head comparatively small in size.

Profile: Strongly marked stop.

Muzzle: Short, well-developed, with a strong muzzle break with prominent whisker pads.

Chin: Strong, well-developed.

Ears: Large, low-set, wide at the base, tapering to rounded tips. Well covered with fine fur, sparse furnishings, with or without ear muffs and tufts. Sparse hair on temples not a fault.

Eyes: Large, wide set. Oval in shape, sloping toward the outer edge of the ear. Any eye color acceptable, generally conforms to coat color.

Neck: Medium long and slender.

BODY:

Musculature: Hard, muscular.

<u>Torso</u>: Slender shape, medium length but broad chested. Carried high on legs.

<u>Tail</u>: Long, tapering, medium fine boned, well covered with short fur.

<u>Legs</u>: Long, medium fine in boning with length of hind legs emphasized.

Feet: Small and oval.

COAT/COLOR:

<u>Texture</u>: Fine, dense, wavy. (Full-bodied, rexed appearing to be without guard hairs).

Length: Coat is short on the back, sides, upper legs, and tail. It is very short on the head, ears, neck, paws, chest, and abdomen. Kittens may have very short fur all over; even if not long enough to wave, it must cover the kitten evenly, so that no bare patches are evident.

Density: The cat is well-covered with fur, with the greatest density occurring on the back, sides, tail, legs, face, and ears. Slightly less density is permitted on the top of head, neck, chest, and abdomen. Bare patches are a fault in kittens and a serious fault in adults; however, the existence of down on the underparts of the body should not be misinterpreted as bareness. Sparse hair on the temples (area in front of the ears) is not a fault.

<u>Waviness</u>: A rippled wave effect should be apparent when the coat is smoothed with one's hand. The wave is most evident where the coat is the longest, on the body and tail.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The Devon is a breed of unique appearance. Its large eyes, short muzzle, prominent cheek-bones and huge low-set ears create a characteristic elfin look. A cat of medium frame, the Devon is wellcovered with short, full-bodied, wavy fur: the fur is of a distinctive texture. as the mutation causing its wavy coat is found in no other breed. Devons may have down on underparts of the body; this is not bareness. Allowances may be made for lack of full coat development on kittens with very good type, over fully coated lesser type. Devon males may be up to 25 percent larger than females. This is not a fault so long as proper proportion is maintained. The Devon is alert and active and shows a lively interest in its surroundings.

ALLOWANCES: Lockets.

PENALIZE: Narrow, long or domestic head. Ears that are small or set too high. Misaligned bite. Short, bare or bushy tail. Straight or shaggy coat; bare patches.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW): Extensive baldness.

DISQUALIFY (DQ): Weak hind legs.

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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.