

## BURMESE (AMERICAN) [BUA] (Standard Source: CFA 2013)

### General

The 'contemporary' Burmese of American origin is a medium cat with substantial bone structure, good muscular development and a surprising weight for its size. This together with a rounded head, expressive eyes and a sweet expression presents a totally distinctive cat that is comparable to no other breed. Males are generally larger than females.

- Head:** Pleasingly rounded without flat planes whether viewed from the front or side. The face is full with considerable breadth between the eyes and blends gently into a broad, well developed short muzzle that maintains the rounded contours of the head. In profile, there is a visible nose break. The head sits on a well-developed neck. Nose is moderately short of even width, with the end slightly rounded down, thus completing the roundness of the head. Cheeks are broad and well rounded. Jaws are wide at the hinge, strong and rounded. Chin firmly rounded and well developed. Neck short, thick and heavily muscled, especially in males.
- Ears:** Medium in size, set well apart, broad at the base, and rounded at the tips. Tilting slightly forward, the ears contribute to an alert appearance.
- Eyes:** Large, expressive, set well apart, with rounded aperture.
- Body:** Medium in size, muscular in development.
- Legs & Feet:** Medium size legs and well proportional to body. Paws round and firm.
- Tail:** Straight, medium in length.
- Coat:** Fine, glossy with satin like texture; short and very close lying.  
*For colour and patterns recognised refer to the descriptions below.*
- Condition:** Perfect physical with excellent muscle tone.
- Remarks:** ~
- Faults:** ~
- Withhold**
- Challenge:** Wedge shaped head with elongated muzzle. Sleek oriental appearance.
- Disqualify:** ~

### SCALE OF POINTS

Head:	<i>including ears, eyes, nose, muzzle, and shape</i>	30 points
Ears:		~ points
Eyes:		~ points
Body	<i>including muscle tone, torso, neck, legs, paws and tail</i>	25 points
Legs and Feet:		~ points
Tail:		~ points
Coat:	<i>including close lying, short and texture</i>	15 points
Colour:	<i>coat (20) eye (5)</i>	25 points
Condition:		5 points
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		<b>100 points</b>

## COLOURS AND PATTERNS RECOGNISED

### General Description

**Eye Colour:** Ranges from gold to yellow, the greater depth and brilliance the better.

**Coat Colour:** Only as listed below.

**Coat Pattern:** Solid only. Colour shading almost imperceptibly to a slight lighter hue on the under parts, but otherwise without shading, barring or markings of any kind in a mature adult cat.

**Remarks:** ~

**Faults:** ~

### Withhold

**Challenge:** Green eyes. Distinct barring on front or rear outer legs (trace permitted on kittens).

**Disqualify:** Blue eye colour. Incorrect nose leather or paw pad colour. Distinct barring on torso. Any colour except the four listed below.

### BROWN (Sable)

**Coat Colour:** Rich warm sable brown. Kittens are often lighter in colour.

**Nose Leather:** Brown.

**Paw Pads:** Brown.

### BLUE

**Coat Colour:** Medium blue with warm fawn undertones.

**Nose Leather:** Slate-grey.

**Paw Pads:** Ranging from slate grey to warm pinkish blue.

### CHOCOLATE (Champagne)

**Coat Colour:** Warm honey beige, shading to a pale gold tan underside. Slight darkening on ears and face permissible but lesser shading preferred. A slight darkening on an older cat allowed, the emphasis being on evenness of colour.

**Nose Leather:** Light warm brown.

**Paw Pads:** Warm pinkish tan.

### LILAC (Platinum)

**Coat Colour:** Pale silvery grey with pale fawn undertones.

**Nose Leather:** Lavender-pink.

**Paw Pads:** Lavender-pink.

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### BREEDERS NOTES

*Allowable outcross: Australian Burmese but only under rules for Experimental Breeding.  
May be used as a breeding partner (Sable/brown only) for the Bombay.*