

Proposed Standards For Lionhead Varieties

CHOCOLATE - The surface color is to be a medium chocolate over the entire animal and extending well down the hair shaft. The undercolor is to be a dove-gray. Toenails to be a uniform dark brown. Eyes - Brown. Ruby cast permissible.

Faults: Faded, rusty or "yellowed" color, scattered white hairs, light undercolor.

SABLE POINT: Color on the nose, ears, feet, legs, and tail is to be a rich sepia brown color. The marking color is to shade rapidly to a creamy body color with as little shading as possible. The entire upper body is to be creamy color with a lighter almost white undercolor. The ideal is an animal whose surface color is light enough to give good contrast with the point color.

Eyes: Brown

Faults: Blotchy surface color on body, markings too light to provide good contrast with the body or too dark to the point of detracting from the creamy nature of the color.

SEAL: Color is to be rich sepia brown (bordering on black) on the saddle from the nape of the neck to the tail, shading to a just slightly lighter tint on the flanks, chest, and belly. Color is to carry well down the hair shaft with under color to match shadings throughout. Toenails must be a uniform dark brown. Eyes- Brown

Faults: Faded or rusty tinge, body color too dark to show contrast in shadings, body color too light.

SIAMESE SABLE: The surface color is to be a rich sepia brown on the head, ears, back, outside of legs, and top of tail. The surface color will fade to a lighter sepia on the sides, chest, belly, inside of legs, and underside of the tail. Dark face color is to fade from the eyes to the jaws and all blending of color is to be gradual and free from blotches or streaks. The under color will be slightly lighter than the surface color. Eyes: Brown. Ruby Cast Permissible.

Faults: Streaks, blotches, or poor color blending, scattered white hairs, or lack of darker color in the loin area.

SMOKE PEARL: The surface color is to be a rich smoke gray on the head, ears, back, outside of legs and top of tail. The surface color will fade to a pearl gray on the sides, chest, belly, inside legs and underside of tail. Dark face color is to fade from the eyes to the jaws and all blending of color is to be gradual and free from blotches and streaks. The undercolor will be slightly lighter than the surface color. Dark toenails are preferred, but light toenails showing pigmentation are permissible. Difference in pigmentation between rear and front toenails is permitted, but all front toenails should match and all rear toenails should match. Eyes – Blue-gray. Ruby cast permissible.

Faults: Streaks, blotches or poor color blending; scattered white hairs; lack of darker color in the loin area; animals that are too light or too dark are undesirable.

Disqualifications from Competition: Non-matching toenails on the same foot or corresponding foot, white toenails.

SMOKE PEARL POINT: Color on the nose, ears, feet, legs and tail is to be a rich smoke gray color. The marking color is to shade rapidly to a creamy body color with as little shading as possible. The entire upper body is to be a creamy color with a lighter creamy white undercolor. A slightly deeper body color may occur along the saddle but is not desirable.

Body surface color is to be lighter than the point color to give proper contrast. Darker shading is permissible around the eyes. The ideal is an animal whose surface color is light enough to give good contrast with the point color. Toenails are to be horn color and dark as possible. Difference in pigmentation between rear and front toenails is permitted, but all front toenails should match and all rear toenails should match. Eyes – Blue-gray.

Faults: Blotchy surface color on body; animals with body smut in such an excess as to almost appear Siamese Sable in color; markings too light to provide good contrast with the body; light color on the underside on the tail

Disqualifications from Competition: White underside on the tail; martenized markings, non-matching toenails on the same foot or corresponding foot, white toenails.