

## **BREED CODE: LPE - LAPERM**

### **GENERAL TYPE STANDARD**

The LaPerm is a naturally occurring mutation producing both long and shorthaired cats. It is medium sized, curly coated with semi-foreign type. All colours are acceptable. All parts of the body are in harmony with the size of the cat.

There is evidence of surprising weight for size. The cat is alert and seems to be walking tall on his feet. Coat texture will be distinctly different than that of any other Rex mutation and will vary within the breed.

- Head:** The skull is a modified wedge with rounded contours. There is a gentle convex curve rising from the bridge of the nose to the brow.
- Muzzle:** Slightly broad in proportion to the wedge. Chin strong and firm presenting a perpendicular line down from the tip of the nose. Allowances for jowls on mature males.
- Ears:** Placed to continue the modified wedge of the head, slightly flared and cupped, medium to large with full furnishings and earmuffs. Lynx tipping preferred.
- Eyes:** Medium large and expressive, almond in shape at rest and rounder when alert. Set moderately far apart and slightly slanted toward base of ear. Eye Colour has no relation to coat colour.
- BODY**
- Torso:** Medium in size, semi-foreign, medium fine boning with back slightly higher in rear.
- Neck:** Carried erect, medium long in length in proportion to body.
- Legs/Feet:** Medium long to match body length. Forelegs may be slightly shorter than hind legs. As with body, medium fine boning with rounded feet.
- Tail:** Is in proportion to body with tapering shape
- Coat:** The perfect cat will have a moderately soft, springy coat texture standing away from the body in ringlet type curls or waves over most of the cat. The longest curls are on the underside of the neck and at the base of the ears. Both males and females can have a full neck ruff. The curlier the better. There are very few guard hairs, however the thicker and heavier the coat the better. Shorthaired LaPerms do not have a ruff or a plumed tail.

**Penalise:** Lack of ear furnishings (on longhairs).  
Crossed eyes  
Non-visible tail faults

**Disqualify:** Cobby body  
Short legs  
Incorrect number of toes  
Visible tail faults  
Straight hair

### **Colour and Patterns:**

All colours and patterns are accepted.

### **SCALE OF POINTS**

<b>HEAD</b>	<b>Shape, size</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>Muzzle &amp; chin</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>Profile</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>Ears</b>	<b>5</b>	
	<b>Eyes</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>BODY</b>	<b>Torso</b>	<b>17</b>	
	<b>Neck</b>	<b>5</b>	
	<b>Legs &amp; Feet</b>	<b>5</b>	
	<b>Tail</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>32</b>
	<b>COAT</b>	<b>Texture and Length</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>Curl or Waviness</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>COLOUR &amp; PATTERN</b>			<b>3</b>
	<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>