

DEVON REX

The Devon Rex is a breed of unique appearance. It projects a pixie-like image with large oval eyes, moderately short muzzle, prominent cheekbones, large low-set ears, medium fine frame, muscular and covered with wavy fur. The fur has a distinct texture, as the mutation, which causes its wavy coat, is cultivated in no other breed. When guard hairs are fairly thick and higher in number, the coat feels coarser. On the other hand, when guard hairs are almost as thin as the down hairs, the coat feels softer and a tighter ripple will appear. Alert, active and shows a lively interest in its surroundings.

I – BODY/CONFORMATION (25)

(8) BODY – hard and muscular. Medium in length, broad chest with medium fine boning.

(8) LEGS & FEET – Long, medium fine giving an overall appearance of being high on legs. Paws small and oval.

(5) NECK – Medium long and slender.

(4) TAIL – Long, fine and tapering. Covered with short fur.

II – HEAD TYPE (40)

(10) FULL FACE – Full cheeked with considerable width between eyes. Chin strong and well developed. Moderate wedge. Frontal View – Wedge is delineated by a narrowing series of three distinct convex curves – outer edge of ears, cheekbones and whisker pads. Top of head is a flat plane – slight rounding acceptable in kittens.

(10) PROFILE – Nose has a definite stop (approximately 125°). Forehead curves back to a distinctively flat skull. Though the skull is flat when viewed from front and side, good depth between top of skull and bottom of jaw is evident. Strong chin lines up vertically with nose.

(5) EYES – Large and well set. Oval shaped, sloping to outer edges of ears.

(10) EARS – Strikingly large, set very low and very wide at base. Outside base of ear extends beyond the base of wedge. Round tipped and well covered with fine fur, with or without earmuffs and/or ear tufts. There is a depth (or jug) to the ear, cupping is best viewed from side or back of head. Ears set wide apart on top of head with flat plane on top skull clearly visible.

(5) MUZZLE – Moderately short, well developed with prominent whisker pads.

III – COAT TEXTURE/LENGTH (30)

(15) WAVINESS – A ripple wave effect when coat smoothed with hand. Wave is most evident where coat is longest – body and tail. Density of coat not to be confused with length. Coat is not to be compared with marcelled coats of other Rex breeds.

(10) LENGTH & TEXTURE – Soft, fine, full-bodied and rexed (i.e. – appearing to be without guard hair). Texture may vary.

(5) DENSITY – Well covered with greatest density in back,

sides, tail, legs, face and ears. Slightly less dense on top of head, neck, chest and abdomen. Bare patches in kittens not a fault. Existence of down on underparts of body not to be misinterpreted as baldness. Sparse hair on temples (forehead in front of ears) is not a fault. Allowance to be made for lack of coat in kittens under 8 months.

IV – COLOUR (5)

All colours and patterns are accepted. Any eye colour is acceptable—Preference given for depth, brilliance and evenness. White lockets or buttons are permitted.

V – CONDITION & BALANCE

The cat is to be hard and muscular. Excellent physical condition. Clear eyes.

OBJECTIONS

	DEDUCT
* Bare patches in coat.	3-5
* Long narrow or domestic type head.	2-5
* Small ear set.	3-5
* Short, bare or bushy tail.	3-5
* An extreme, short muzzle.	3-5
* A deep nose break.	3-5

WITHHOLDS

- * Excessive baldness in adults.
- * Weak hind legs.
- * Straight or shaggy coat.
- * All grounds for withholding awards as listed in the General Preface.

RECOGNIZED COLOURS

All colours and patterns are accepted. All eye colours accepted.

BREED ORIGIN:	Mutation
REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:	No foundation allowed.
SHOWING REQUIREMENTS:	No foundation allowed
ALLOWED ANCESTRY:	Devon Rex, American Shorthair, British Shorthair, Domestic Shorthair (until January 1, 2007)
ALLOWED MATINGS:	Devon Rex

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Refer to Breed Standard and General Preface for disqualifications and objections not listed here.