

Siberian Cat – Neva Masquerade (SIB)

Body The medium to large sized cat is muscular and heavy.
The legs are also muscular and of medium length. The paws are large, compact and round with toe tufts.
The tail reaches to the shoulder blades, it is slightly tapering and bushy.
The neck is short and solid.

Head The head is short and broad with deep set, broad cheek bones, rounded muzzle and slightly rounded chin. The forehead is slightly arched.
The nose is equally broad from the base to the nose leather. The contours are gently rounded, the profile slightly curved.

Ears The ears are of medium size, broad at the base with a slightly rounded tip. They are set wide apart and slightly tilted forwards.

Eyes The eyes are large, slightly oval and rounded at the lower edge, set at a slight slant and wide apart.
Eye colour shall be even and corresponds with the coat colour. All shades from yellow/golden to green are permitted. In bicolour and other patterns with white also blue or odd eyes. In pointed patterns blue, the darker the better.

Coat The coat is of medium length. The very dense undercoat is soft and fine, under a coarser, firm top coat. The dense, loosely falling top coat is water repellent, has a firm structure, firm to touch and glossy. It covers the back, the flanks and top of the tail completely. The under parts of the body and the back of the hind legs have only undercoat. The coat is particularly long on the neck, the chest, the trousers and the tail.

Colour varieties The colours chocolate and cinnamon, as well as their dilution (lilac and fawn) are not recognized in any combinations (bicolour, tricolour, tabby) for the Siberian and the Neva Masquerade. The Burmese-factor is also not recognized.
All other colours and patterns are recognized. Any amount of white is permitted. The description of colours is listed in the general list of colours.

The pointed variety with Siamese points is called **Neva Masquerade**.

Scale of points

Body	35 points
Head	30 points
Coat texture	25 points
Coat colour and pattern	5 points
Condition	5 points

Remark *The general assembly of the WCF decided at its meeting in Milan on August 03, 2002 that cross-breeding with other breeds in all natural breeds, such as Maine Coon, Norwegian Forest, Turkish cats and Siberian, needs the permission of the judges' commission.*