

RagaMuffin

(Provisional Category)

POINT SCORE

HEAD (45)	
Shape.....	10
Profile.....	5
Muzzle.....	5
Sweet expression.....	5
Ears.....	5
Eyes.....	15
BODY AND TAIL (30)	
Body.....	20
Legs and feet.....	5
Tail.....	5
COAT.....	20
COLOR.....	5

GENERAL: the overall impression of the RagaMuffin should be one of sweetness and robust health. They are a large cat with substantial bone structures and full bodies. The large, expressive eyes strongly contribute to the overall sweet look. The only extremes in this cat are large size, large expressive eyes and docile nature. RagaMuffin females are generally considerably smaller than males, both being muscular, and heavy with a tendency toward a fatty pad on the lower abdomen. RagaMuffins attain full maturity at approximately four years of age. The cat should have an overall balance, with quality and conformation given preference over size. A RagaMuffin is people loving and affectionate – a large cuddly, feline teddy bear.

HEAD: the head is a broad modified wedge with a rounded appearance. The forehead should be moderately rounded. Muzzle is round, slightly shorter than moderate in length, tending to broadness. The chin is firmly rounded, reflecting a proper bite. There is puffiness to the whisker pad, which results in the characteristic “sweet look” of the RagaMuffin. Cheeks are full. In profile, there is an obvious nose dip, giving the impression of a scoop rather than a break. Neck is short, heavy and strong, particularly in older males. An allowance is made for jowliness in mature adult males.

EARS: medium in size, set as much on the side of the head as on the top of the head with slight flaring, tilted slightly forward. Ears are rounded with moderate furnishings, in pleasing proportion to the head.

EYES: large, walnut shaped and expressive, moderately wide set, the eyes contribute to the characteristic sweet look. A slight oriental slant to the eye is acceptable. The more intense the eye color, the better. Lighter eye color in dilutes is allowed. All eye colors are allowed, including odd-eyed. Exception: mink colors must be aqua and sepia colors must be yellow to gold.

BODY: rectangular, broad chest and broad shoulders, and moderately heavy muscling in the hindquarters with the hindquarters being equally as broad as the shoulders. There should be a fatty pad in the lower abdomen. These cats are fully fleshed and upon palpation should feel well covered with flesh. The cat should have an overall balance in body size, shape and distribution of weight, with quality and conformation given preference over size.

TAIL: long, in proportion to the body. It is fully furred, similar in look to a plume or soft bottlebrush, medium at the base with a slight taper.

LEGS AND PAWS: legs should be heavily boned, medium in length with the back legs slightly longer than the front legs, yet in proportion to the body. The paws should be large and round, able to support the weight of the cat without splaying, and with tufts

beneath and between the paws. Allowance is made for finer boning in females.

COAT: the fur is to be medium to medium-long. Texture is to be soft, dense and silky. Texture will vary slightly with color. Fur length is to be slightly longer around neck and outer edges of face, resulting in the appearance of a ruff, and increasing in length from top of head down through shoulder blades and back, with the coat on the sides and stomach being medium to medium-long. The fur on the front legs is thick and short to medium in length. The fur on the hind legs is medium to medium-long and thick with the appearance of a wispy frill on the hindquarters.

COLOR: every color and pattern is allowable with or without white, except pointed colors. Any amount of white is allowed, e.g. white spots on paws, back, chest or belly; a blaze, a locket, etc. The degree of symmetry whether in the pattern or the white spotting is of no importance. Nose leather and paw pads are accepted in all colors and in any color combination, not necessarily related to coat color. Cats with white on feet may have pink paw pads or they may be bi-colored or multi-colored.

ALLOWANCES: shorter fur on the legs for cats with medium length coat. Seasonal changes in coat length and texture. Smaller size in females and cats under four years of age. Short ruff on whole cats.

PREFERENCES: affectionate nature, and deep, bright eye color.

PENALIZE: extreme cranial doming, nose break, Roman nose, small ears, pointed ears. Cobby body, short tail, cottony undercoat.

DISQUALIFY: poor health or condition, crossed eyes, visible tail kink, polydactyl or pointed colors. Short hair on the body and/or tail, giving the impression of a short-haired cat.

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

RagaMuffin Color Class Numbers

All Colors.....	9800	9801
<i>(Longhair Specialty Ring)</i>		

RagaMuffin allowable outcross breeds: none.