



# Cat Federation of Southern Africa

## Standard of Points

### JAPANESE BOBTAIL – JBT

The Japanese Bobtail is a shorthaired, medium sized cat with a well muscled, rather slender foreign type build. The unique set of eyes combined with high cheekbones and long nose lends to a Japanese appearance. The distinctive curled-up tail joints are virtually fused. The Japanese Bobtail is an affectionate cat.

<b>HEAD</b>	Appears long, but forms a nearly perfect equilateral triangle with gentle curving lines and high cheek bones. A noticeable whisker break and fairly broad muzzle which is neither pointed nor blunt. In profile there is a distinctive Japanese cast to the face.	
<b>NOSE</b>	Long and well defined by two parallel lines from tip of brow with a gentle dip at about eye level.	
<b>EARS</b>	Large, upright and expressive, wide set but at right angles to the head, not flared.	
<b>EYES</b>	Large, not quite round, but wide open and alert. In profile set at a slant. Colour: Blue, Orange and Odd-Eyed	
<b>NECK</b>	Short and strong.	
<b>BODY</b>	Medium in size, well muscled. Rather elongated, slender and elegant.	
<b>LEGS</b>	Long, slender and high, but not dainty or fragile in appearance. The hind legs are noticeably longer than the front legs, but deeply angulated to bend when the cat is standing relaxed so that the torso remains nearly level rather than rising towards rear.	
<b>PAWS</b>	Oval	
<b>TAIL</b>	The unique tail is a stump 5 – 10 cm long, tightly curved on itself and with restricted movement. The tail hair is thick and fluffy giving it a pom-pom appearance.	
<b>COAT</b>	Short, soft and silky, without a noticeable undercoat.	
<b>FAULTS</b>	Short round head. Cobby built body.	
Disqualify	Tail bone absent or extending too far beyond the body. Lack of pom-pom or non-fluffy appearance. Delayed pom-pom effect, i.e. the pom-pom being preceded by 3 – 5 cm of normal tail with close-lying hair rather than appearing to commence at the base of the spine.	
<b>SCALE OF POINTS</b>	Head, Ears, Eyes	15
	Body and Legs	25
	Tail	20
	Coat – Colour and Pattern	25
	Overall balance	10
	Condition	5

### JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLOURS

MI-KE	Tri-coloured – black, red and white. Preference is given to bold, dramatic markings and vividly contrasting colours.
WHITE	Pure glistening white.
BLACK	Dense jet black, shiny and free from rusty tinges.
RED	Deep rich red.
BLACK TORTIE	Black patched or mingled with red.
BLACK BI-COLOUR	Black and white.
RED BI-COLOUR	Red and white.