

# “SHOW TYPE” FANCY MICE STANDARD

## **Rodents breeder association in Poland**

*Based on standards all around the globe*

### **General appearance:**

Mouse should be long and slim, proportionally built; body should appear flowy, elegant and strong; showing the characteristics of their sex.

Weight adequate to the size of mice, from 35g to 80g.

**Head:** In shape of rounded triangle; clean and soft in outline, not too pointy or thin towards nose; no sharp indentations near nose; proportional;

**Eyes:** Big, clean, distinct, showing curiosity to the surroundings.

**Ears:** Big and prominent, no folds or tears, directed towards and spreading on the sides of the head.

**Tail:** Tail should be straight and strong, thick on the base and narrowing towards tip. No kinks; the tail length should be at least as long as the body or longer.

**Temper:** Mouse should be friendly, curious and easy to maintain. It shouldn't be skittish, dull or aggressive. It should tolerate touch on the whole body, including embracing with hand.

### **Hair:**

Short Hair - hair short, thick, close to the body with natural shine.

Satin - hair with clear metallic/satin shine.

Rex - hair thick and tightly curled, evenly over the entire body.

Texel - hair curled, dense and evenly long, curled along the entire length.

Long Hair - hair thick, evenly long and soft.

Fuzzy - hair short, curly and close to the body, wooly but velvety. No bald spots.

Rosette - hair arranged in numerous, symmetrical rosettes on the back and belly.

Hairless - mouse should be completely hairless. Skin is soft and without flaws.

### **(I) Self**

Color should be uniform on whole body, skin and hair. Belly, fingers and ears are the same color as its back.

#### **- Black**

Color as dark as possibly, no lighter hairs, eyes black.

#### **- Blue**

The color of blue slate, eyes black.

#### **- Chocolate**

Color of dark chocolate, vibrant and vivid, eyes black;

#### **- Red**

Brick red color, vibrant, saturated, eyes black;

#### **- Pink eyed white (PEW)**

Color white, eyes pink;

#### **- Black eyed white (BEW)**

Color white; eyes black;

**- Dove**

Color gray-dove, eyes pink;

**- Silver**

Color very light silver with visible blue tint, eyes red.

**- Champagne**

Color of champagne silk with pink tint, eyes pink;

**- Fawn**

Color orange, like very intensive tan, eyes pink;

**- Lilac**

Color light gray with slightly brown, even lilac tint; eyes black.

**- Beige**

Color should be creme and light; eyes black or red.

**- Bone**

Color light in bone shade, eyes black.

**- Crimino (stone)**

Color pale brown, like cocoa with milk; eyes black.

**- Coffee**

Color of dark chocolate with a slight gray tint; eyes black.

**- Black eyed silver (BE silver)**

Color lightgrey with warm tint; eyes black.

## **(II) Ticked**

The single hair has a variety of color on the base and tip, but overall the color placement should be as uniform on the body as possible.

**- Agouti**

Color deep golden brown, preferred darker shade; black ticking; eyes black.

**- Blue agouti**

Color of gray-brown with blue tint, ticking in shade of a slate; eyes black.

**- Cinnamon**

Color similar to darkest tan in orange tint; ticking brown; eyes black.

**- Argente**

Color light fawn, somewhere between champagne and fawn; undercoat blue with darkest shade possible, eyes red.

**- Argente creme**

Delicate combination of cream and silver; undercoat light blue; eyes pink.

**- English gold**

Orange color, like very intense tan, undercoat red/sand color - hair is desired to be in uniform red color, without visible ticking; belly and feet in the color of the back; eyes red.

**- Grey agouti**

Chinchilla color, silver and gray; undercoat in slate color; hair tip black; eyes black.

## **(III) Tan & Fox**

Tan can be visible in any standard color, fox only in few. The back color standard is the same as without tan. In the mouse seen from the top, the color of tan or fox should not be visible. Line separating tan/fox from the rest of the body should be sharp. The feet are preferably in the base color, but tan/fox feet are acceptable.

**1. Tan color:** very dark orange or gold shade, clean without sifting.

**2. Fox color:** white, no yellow discoloration or sighting.

- Chinchilla (grey agouti fox)
- Black fox
- Blue fox
- Chocolate fox
- Lilac fox
- Crimino fox
- Coffee fox
- Burmese fox
- Blue burmese fox
- BE silver fox
- Colorpoint beige fox
- Beige fox
- Siamese seal point fox
- Siamese blue point fox

#### **(IV) Shaded & Pointed**

For the flaw there are any discolorations of a base and “molting” - patches as a result of temperature and humidity changes.

**1. Pointed:** points as dark as possible. On the nose and spreading towards eyes, on feet - from fingers towards ankles; present on whole ears and tail, including tail base.

**- Siamese seal point**

Color should be from light to medium beige. Points as dark as possible; eyes red.

**- Siamese blue point**

Color should be light silver-blue. Points as dark as possible; eyes red.

**- Himalayan**

Color of the body white. Points as dark as possible; eyes pink.

**- Colorpoint beige**

Color of the body should be from light to medium beige. Points as dark as possible; eyes black.

**- Colorpoint blue (cpbl, colorpoint smoke)**

Color of the body should be light in cool shade. Points as dark as possible; eyes black.

**- Burmese**

Body color lighter chocolate, points dark chocolate, eyes black.

**- Blue burmese**

Body color ashy, points blue, as dark as possible; eyes black.

**- Reverse siamese**

Body color should be beige, points in white color; eyes black.

**2. Shaded:** dark shade of back, slowly changing in the color of gold tan or to white (marten sable).

**- Sable**

Color of back dark brown to black, belly color with balanced transition to golden-orange tan; eyes black.

**- Blue sable**

Color of back blue, color of belly with balanced transition to gold tan; eyes black.

**- Marten sable**

Back color in dark sepia shade, belly color with balanced transition to white, white ticking on the hind part of body and on sides; eyes black.

**(V) Marked**

Varieties in at least two hair colors. Base color of the body based on the standard above.

**- Brindle**

Dark stripes on lighter background or reversed. The stripes should be symmetrical and balanced, one side of the mouse shouldn't have more stripes than the other. Required on head and belly.

**- Banded**

White belt around the whole body, taking around  $\frac{1}{4}$  of body length and placed in  $\frac{3}{4}$  body length looking from the head, feet white.

**- Broken**

Body in white color; spots properly placed on the body, irregular - required one patch on one side of the nose.

**- Even**

Body in white color, spots properly and evenly placed, possibly as many as possible; required is patch on the nose, ears and tail base.

**- Splashed**

Spots in the base color in at least two shades, on lighter background - the best if mouse has at least three or more shades. Spots evenly placed on the mouse's body, head, belly and back. Big spot clusters should be seen as flaws. Points allowed, eyes in any color (including odd-eye)

**- Tricolor**

Spots in three clearly visible colors should be evenly placed on back, sides, belly and head. White tail tip allowed.

**- Merle**

Dark even patches should be well defined and evenly put on the lighter, roan background, making a marble effect.

**- Roan**

Hair in base color, evenly interwoven with white hair, not to mistake with silver variety.

**- Hereford**

The face should be white in shape of letter "V", ending just behind the ear line, the white line should run under the chin, ending there - shouldn't go under the throat. The tail should be half white. On the belly white, even and thin mark resembling rectangle, running from the front paws to the middle of the belly. Feet white.

**- Variegated**

Body in white color; patches evenly placed on head, belly and back, giving the impression of being spattered.

**- Capped**

Patches distributed on the ears and head, there is a white line or open star on the face; the rest of the body is white.

**- Dutch**

Two patches should be evenly distributed on the sides of the head, covering the ears, eyes, excluding the whiskers, nose and chin; on the head a blaze separating the patches; the third patch should cover the part from mid-body to mid-tail; the rest of the body is white; hind feet half white.

**- Rumpwhite**

A white, even white stripe around the body should be at the rear of the body, covering the entire tail and hind feet.

## **(VI) Silvered**

Base color evenly tipped with grey/white hair.

### **- Silver Black**

Color as black as possible, silvering should be even throughout, undercolor blue-black; eyes black.

### **- Silver Blue**

Color slate-blue, silvering should be even throughout, blue undercoat; eyes black.

### **- Pearl**

Color pale-silver, white undercoat; each hair shall be delicately tipped with grey or black; eyes black.