

American Chinchilla Standard of Perfection:

GENERAL TYPE	45
Body	30
Head & Ears	8
Eyes	2
Feet & Legs	5
FUR	25
COLOR	25
Under color	5
Ring color & Definition	8
Surface color	12
CONDITION	5
TOTAL POINTS	100

Senior Bucks- 8 months of age or over, weight 9-11 pounds

Senior Does- 8 months of age or over, weight 10-12 pounds

Intermediate Bucks-6-8 months of age, not over 10 pounds

Intermediate Does- 6-8 months of age, not over 11 pounds

Junior Bucks & Does- Under 6 months of age, not over 9 pounds. Minimum weight 4 ½ pounds.

NOTE: Juniors and Intermediates which exceed maximum weight limits may be shown in higher age classifications. *No animal may be shown in lower age classification than its true age.*

General Type:

BODY- Points 30: The body is to be medium length, with well-rounded hips, and well filled loin and ribs. Shoulders are to be well developed and in proportion to the rib spread and hips. There should be a slight taper from hips to the shoulders, with more length in does than bucks. The back is to form a gradual arc, beginning at the base of the ears, carried to a high point at the middle of the hips, and continuing down to the base of the tail. Medium size dewlap is permissible in does.

Faults: Overly fat or flabbiness

Disqualification from Competition: All rabbits resembling mandolin type.

Hear & Ears-Points 8: The head is to be medium full from base of ears to muzzle, with well filled face and jaws. The neck is to be short. Ears are to be in proportion to head and body, carried erect, and close together. Ears are to be evenly ticked and match body color. Upper tip of ears are to show a distinct narrow, jet black lacing of approximately 1/16 inch.

Faults-Narrow head; extremely pointed nose.

EYES-Points 2: Eyes are to be large, bright, and bold, with an alert expression.

FEET & LEGS- Points 5: Feet and legs are to be straight, with medium bone. The front feet and the outside of the upper part of the hind legs are to be ticked with a uniform shade of gray, matching body color as nearly as possible. Color is to run down the thighs to a narrow strip on the outside of the hind feet.

Disqualification from competition-Hind feet lacking blue under color; white or unmatched toenail(s).

FUR-Points 25: (Rollback) Fur on the body is to be 1 1/8 to 1 3/8 inches in length. Ideal length to be 1 1/4 (A longer or shorter fur with density preferred over standard length lacking density). Fur is to be very dense, of fine texture, and with a gentle rollback. Fur is to be bright smooth, glossy, and free from molt or hutch stain.

Faults-Fur shorter than 1 inch; showing a tendency toward wool; harsh and wiry.

COLOR-Points 25: Color is to resemble real Chinchilla. **The under color** is to be dark slate blue at the base; intermediate portion of pearl to be as light as possible, with the top edge being a very narrow black band (base definitely wider than the intermediate portion); above this is a very light band, brightly ticked with wavy jet black hairs to resemble the beautiful Chinchilla surface color. **Neck fur** is to be lighter in color than the body, but strictly confined to the nape. **The chest** is to be lightly ticked with a uniform shade of pearl, slightly lighter than the body. **The body color** is to extend as far down the sides as possible. **Belly color**, next to the skin, is to be white or blue. Surface color is to be white. **Eye circles** are to be well defined, narrow and light pearl. **Tail** underside is to be white. Topside of tail is to be black, interspersed with white hairs. **Eye color**-Brown, blue-gray, or Marbled. Dark brown preferred.

UNDERCOLOR-Points 5: Base of the hair shaft to be slate blue.

RING COLOR & DEFINITION- Points 8: Intermediate color is to be light pearl, with black edging.

SURFACE COLOR- Points 12: Surface color is to have a wavy, ticked top coat.

Faults- Salt and pepper; even appearance; faded under color; narrow pearl; cloudy, or smoky ring color.

Disqualifications from Competition-Solid white spot(s); extremely light or dark color, or mixed brown patches; extreme brownish tinge in ring color; absence of ring color.

CONDITIONS-Points 5: Per ARBA definition.