

CALIFORNIA SPANGLED (SP)

HEAD	35 points
Shape	6
Ears	5
Eyes	6
Chin	4
Muzzle	5
Profile	6
Neck	3

BODY	35 points
Torso	10
Legs	6
Feet	5
Tail	6
Musculature	8

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN	30 points
Coat	10
Pattern	12
Color	8

CATEGORIES: Traditional.

DIVISIONS: Tabby and Silver/Smoke.

COLOR: Eumelanistic colors ONLY, spotted tabby pattern ONLY.

PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES: Domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed, Abyssinian, British Shorthair, American Shorthair.

HEAD:

Shape: Medium length and width. Sculpted, wide, prominent cheekbones. Slightly rounded forehead

Ears: Base and height approximately equal; rounded tip. Medium in size, placed high and back from face, typically carried at a quarter relative turn from one another.

Eyes: Medium-large in size with an open almond shape; placed wide with a gently sloping aperture, accented by the cheekbones. Eye color is pale amber to deep copper.

Chin/Muzzle: Strong, fully developed, so that in profile, there is also a heaviness to the muzzle.

Muzzle: Full, well-developed. Whisker pads must be well-developed, to create a broad medium-length muzzle (most prominent in adult males). Whisker pads should be pale in color.

Profile: Gentle stop between forehead and nose, slightly raised and rounded cranium.

Neck: Medium long, cylindrical and muscular.

BODY:

Torso: Long, lean, muscular, well-supported. Medium in size. Carriage is typically low and even: a "hunter-like" stance.

Legs: Long in forearm; rear legs long when extended, but as in forelegs, appear shorter, in carrying the body low. Strong and ample boning without undue bulk. Strong musculature, well-developed in thigh.

Feet: Medium in size with toes tactile

Tail: Medium-full end-to-end, blunt tip. Medium in length, well-furred, ending in one to three dark rings. The tip must be dark.

Boning: Ample bone without undue bulk.

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:

Coat: Short and close across the back, sides, neck, and face; short but slightly longer on tail and underbelly.

Pattern: Spotting covers the back and sides of the body, while striping extends from between the ear, down the back of the neck to the shoulders. The spots themselves are blocked or rounded in shape and may be grouped into rosetted patterns. Not permitted and a serious fault are, "crescent", "eyelet" or "fish scale" markings. A small white dot or bib-marking is permissible on the throat; this is not considered a patch. A definite dark bar marks the top of each foreleg.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: First impression should be an unmistakably spotted cat, with a long, strong, cylindrical-type body and a "hunter-like" quality to its gait. Other things being equal, the Spangled should create the illusion of a much larger cat. In general, adult males are larger, heavier, and more muscular than the females. Males average from 12 to 15 pounds, while females tend to be about 8 to 10 pounds. The Spangled is known for its affectionate and social nature, along with athletic abilities and keen intelligence. It is energetic without being aggressive.

PENALIZE: Cobbiness. Lack of bone or musculature. Long or "whiplike" tail. Pointed or low-set ears. Narrow or bony rib-cage. Green eyes. White toe markings. Longish or fluffy coat, hard bristly coat. Lack of standard pattern. "Fish-scale" type pattern. Lack of contrast in pattern-to-ground color. Excessive ticking. Any display of bad temperament.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW): Any overall MARBLED. Any white patch markings. Elongated or fore-shortened skull. Light-tipped tail. Roundness of head. Narrow or pointed muzzle. Lack of chin and jaw development. Lack of sturdiness in physique. NOTE: A "bib mark" is not considered a patch mark.



Temperament must be unchallenging; any sign of definite challenge shall disqualify. The cat may exhibit fear, seek to flee, or generally complain aloud but may not threaten to harm.
In accordance with Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN, the following shall be considered mandatory disqualifications: a cat that bites (216.9), a cat showing evidence of intent to deceive (216.10), adult whole male cats not having two descended testicles (216.11), cats with all or part of the tail missing, except as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.1), cats with more than five toes on each front foot and four toes on each back foot, unless proved the result of an injury or as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.2), visible or invisible tail faults if **Board approved standard requires disqualification** (216.12.4), crossed eyes if **Board approved standard requires disqualification** (216.12.5), total blindness (216.12.6), markedly smaller size, not in keeping with the breed (216.12.9), and depression of the sternum or unusually small diameter of the rib cage itself (216.12.11.1). See Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN for more comprehensive rules governing penalties and

disqualifications.