

THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION

CONDITION STANDARDS AND STRUCTURE



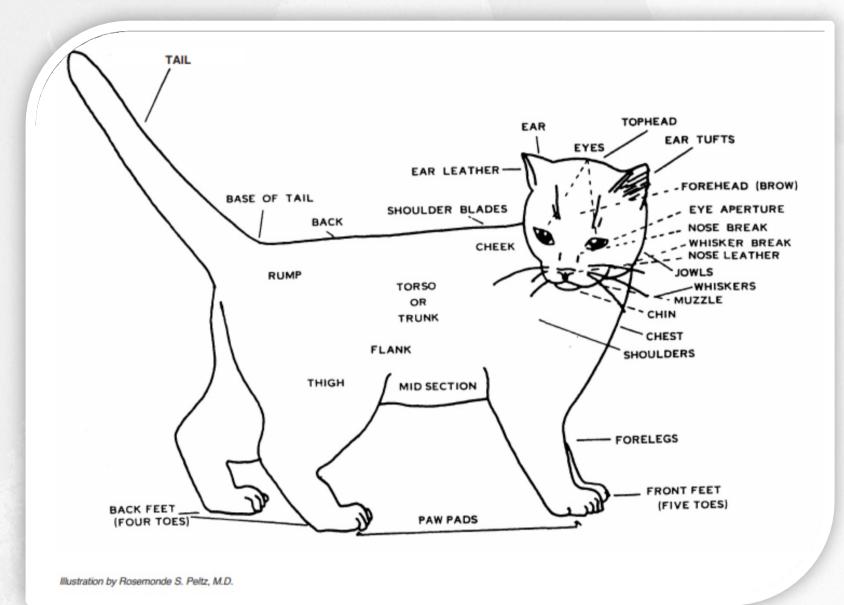
What Is a Standard?



What Is Condition?



Feline Structure





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- In order to embody the aesthetic qualities of beauty, grace and agility that epitomize the cat, the ideal show cat reflects excellent health and <u>sound structure</u>.
- Variations in structure help differentiate and distinguish the variety of pedigreed cat breeds. Though individual breed standards sometimes describe unusual physical traits, the ideal show cat is free of any characteristics, exaggerated or otherwise, which cause discomfort or jeopardize health and well-being.



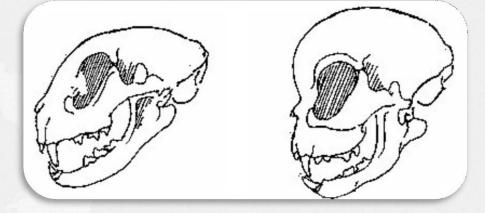


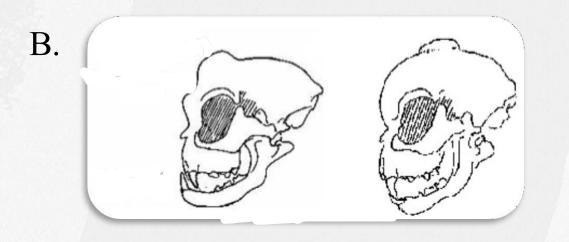
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- It must never be forgotten that the cat is a living, breathing, moving being.
- Sound structure and function are integral to the pursuit of the aesthetic.
- Keep in mind as you handle, the joints of the cat move in similar fashion to the joints of humans.
 - Do they swivel?
 - Do they bend?
 - Do they twist?
 - Where is the cat's handle?



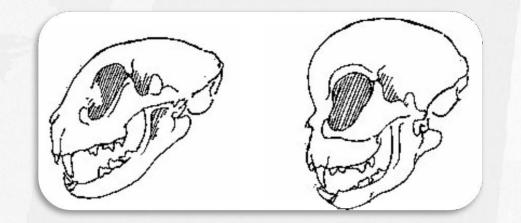
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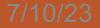


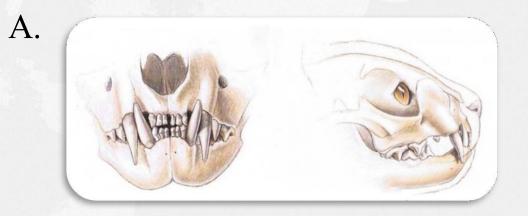


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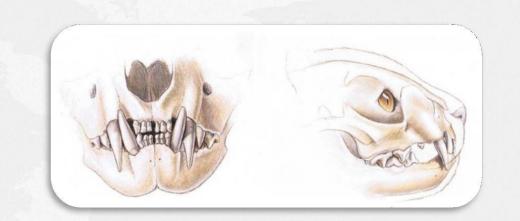
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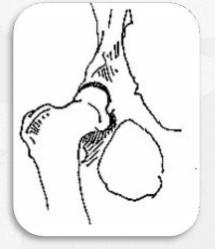


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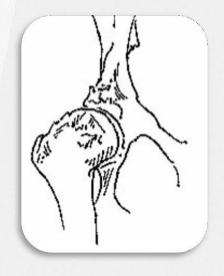


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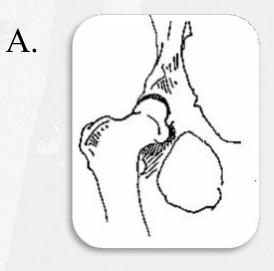
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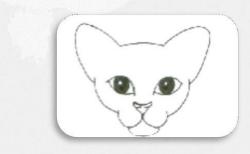
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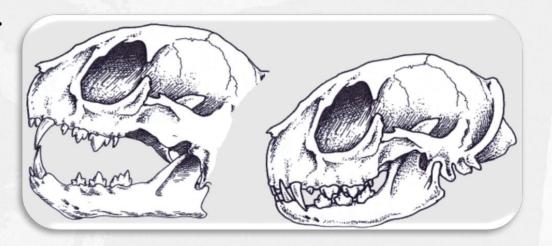






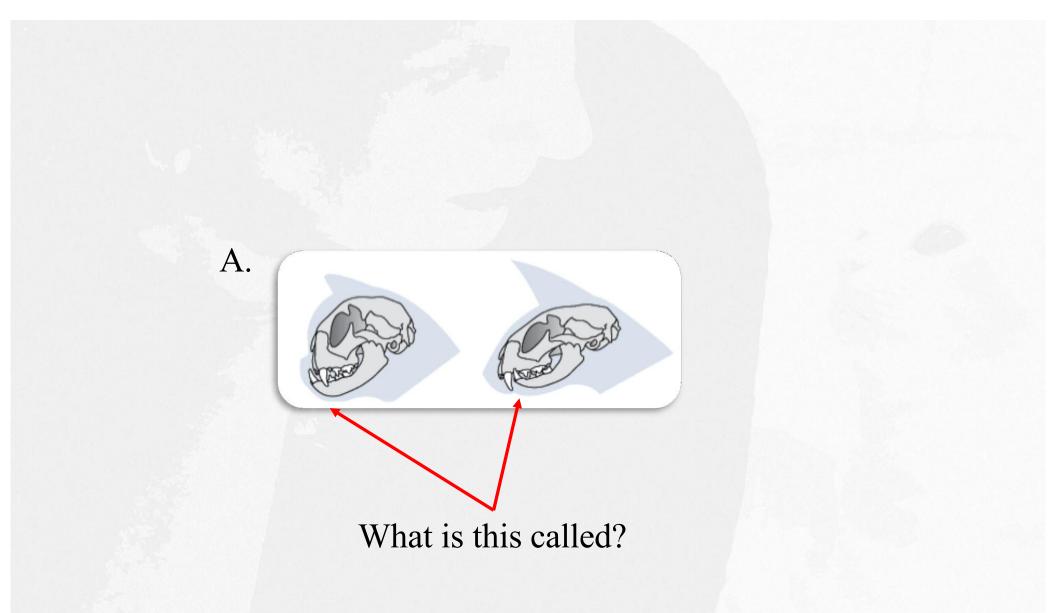


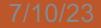
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Which Photo Depicts Normal Structure?

B.



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