

## Texel – Tan Variety

<b>Type</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Head</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Coat</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Density</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Texture</b>	<b>05</b>
<b>Ringlets/Curls</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Color</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Condition</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>100</b>

### **Variety Description:**

**Color points are to be divided equally – ½ points to color quality and ½ the points to the markings.**

Top Color is to be Black, Beige, Blue, Chocolate, or Lilac. Tan Markings around eyes, pea spots, inside ears, nostrils, jowls, shoulders, inside of legs/feet, chest and belly. Flanks are to be evenly and thickly laced with tan tipped hairs.

### **Top Color:**

**Black**-Color is to be a deep, rich black, carried to the skin; ears and foot pads to match. Eyes: Dark

**Beige** –Color is to be light brown, rich and even, carried to the skin; ears and foot pads to match. Eyes: Pink

**Blue**-Color is to be deep gray with an even slate cast, carried to the skin; ears and foot pads to match. Eyes: Dark with Ruby cast

**Chocolate**-Color is to be a deep, rich chocolate, carried to the skin; ears & foot pads to match. Eyes: Dark, with or without a Ruby Cast.

**Lilac**-Color is to be a light gray with an even purple cast, carried to the skin; ears and foot pads to match. Eyes: Pink

### **Tan Markings:**

To consist of Tan tipped hairs. Long tip color is desirable, minimal undercolor. Undercolor to match top color. Tan color on Black or Chocolate is to be a rich red. Tan color on Beige, Blue, and Lilac to be a rich orange. Tan color is to be brilliant and complimentary to the top color- the self description for Red and Red Eyed Orange does not apply.

Belly Markings are to be as wide as possible, clear and free of muddiness. Side lacing and belly markings may not be visible when viewed from the side due to coat length.

Line of demarcation on sides and throat are to be present.

Eye Circles to be well defined and prominent around the entire eye.

Nostrils / mouth should be prominently outlined. Jowl markings should be of tan color which is clear, wide and following the jaw line.

Shoulder markings are to be bold tapered line beginning at the top of the chest and continuing over each shoulder and up the sides.

Feet / legs - on the inside of each, should show tan with top color on the outside. Toenails are to match top color. Belly undercolor permissible.

Pea Spots are to be prominent.

Sides should be evenly laced with tan tipped hairs, extending well up the sides. The lacing of tan tipped hairs served to enhance the tan markings.

### **Note:**

When judging the Texel Tan variety some muddy belly band allowances can be made due to kink, curl and coat length. Mealiness on the face will be more prominent in Junior's and is not to be faulted. This is due to the tan

marking changes as cavy matures. Side lacing and belly markings may not be visible when viewed from the side due to coat length. Shoulder markings may not be as visible on the mature coat.

**Faults:**

Excessive tan color on nostrils extending up to the eye circles in Seniors. Stray Tan hairs in top color – not to be confused with desirable side lacing. Very muddy belly band.

**Disqualifications from competition:** Patches of foreign color including Tan, Red, or Orange -- not to be confused with tan tipped lacing on flanks. Flesh spots on the foot pads or ears on Black, Chocolate and Blue.