BODY CONDITION SCORE



TOO THIN



- Ribs, spine and pelvic bones easily visible on shorthaired cats
- Very narrow waist
- Small amount of muscle
- No palpable fat on the rib cage
- Severe abdominal tuck



- Ribs easily visible on shorthaired cats
 - Very narrow waist
 - Loss of muscle mass
 - No palpable fat on the rib cage
 - Very pronounced abdominal tuck



- Ribs visible on shorthaired cats
 - Obvious waist
 - Very small amount of abdominal fat
 - Marked abdominal tuck

IDEAL



- Ribs not visible but are easily palpable
- · Obvious waist
- Minimal amount of abdominal fat



- Well proportionedRibs not visible
 - but are easily palpable

 Obvious waist
 - Small amount of abdominal fat
 - Slight abdominal tuck

OVERWEIGHT



- Ribs not visible but palpable
 - Waist not clearly defined when seen from above
- Very slight abdominal tuck

TOO HEAVY



- Ribs difficult to palpate under the fat
 - Waist barely visible
 - No abdominal tuck
 - Rounding of abdomen with moderate abdominal pad



- Ribs not palpable under the fat
 - Waist not visible
 - Slight abdominal distension



- Ribs not palpable under a thick layer of fat
 - Waist absent
 - Obvious abdominal distension
 - Extensive abdominal fat deposits

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