

# BODY CONDITION SCORE CAT

## TOO THIN



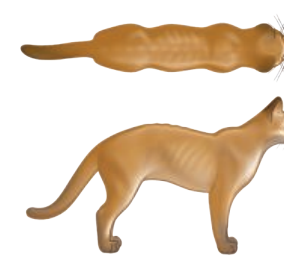
**1**

- 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



**2**

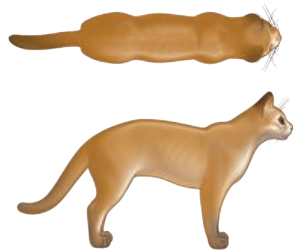
- Ribs easily visible on shorthaired cats
- Very narrow waist
- Loss of muscle mass
- No palpable fat on the rib cage
- Very pronounced abdominal tuck



**3**

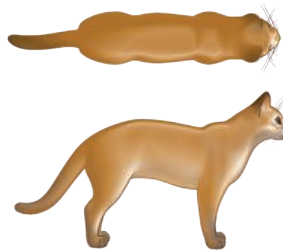
- Ribs visible on shorthaired cats
- Obvious waist
- Very small amount of abdominal fat
- Marked abdominal tuck

## IDEAL



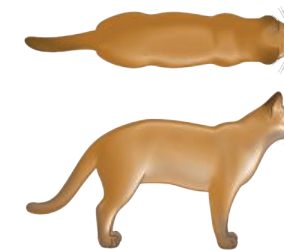
**4**

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



**5**

- Well proportioned
- Ribs not visible but are easily palpable
- Obvious waist
- Small amount of abdominal fat
- Slight abdominal tuck



**6**

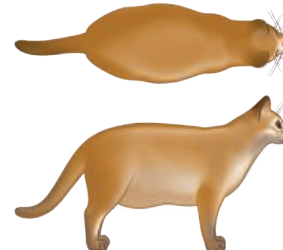
- Ribs not visible but palpable
- Waist not clearly defined when seen from above
- Very slight abdominal tuck

## OVERWEIGHT



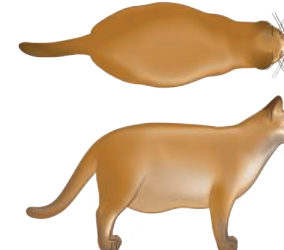
**7**

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



**8**

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



**9**

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

## OBESE