

ALPRU Procedure 2b - measuring the mane of African lions (*Panthera leo*)

Mane length is measured at 6 defined positions [1-6]. It is measured as the average length of a tuft of mane hairs, comprising a group of several individual hairs held closely next to a ruler [if no mane is present at a location, indicate with an X in the appropriate block]. The extent of mane development is measured at defined positions 7 & 8.

4 - Mane length at side of neck (lateral point - neck)

 mm

1 - Mane length on top line (dorsal line - neck)

 mm

Neck, shoulder & belly mane

ME = mane ends

3 - Mane length at base of neck (ventral line - neck)

 mm

2 - Mane length between ears (point B of skull; most posterior (back) point of skull)

 mm

5 - Mane length at sternum (spot on breast between front legs)

 mm

6 - Mane length at abdomen (belly) (between anterior [front] teats)

 mm

Neck mane

7 - Distance (mm) from the back of skull (at point 2 on head) along the top line of the lion to the end of the mane growth (at ME) on its back

 mm

Neck & shoulder mane

8 - Horizontal distance (mm) from shoulder joint (● between humerus & scapula) to end of mane growth (either to front = a or to back = p)

 a = or p = mm

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Location: _____