



# THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.®

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## The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. 2016 BREED COUNCIL POLL

### RUSSIAN BLUE

Re-elected Breed Council Secretary: Annette Wilson – South Haven, MI  
 Total Members: 29  
 Ballots Received: 16

- PROPOSED:** Change the Russian Blue registration rules to exclude any color other than blue and coat length other than short in the 8 generation pedigree requirement.

**Current:**

**DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):**

Whites			
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**Proposed:**

**DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):**

<del>Whites</del> <u>Any color other than blue</u>			
<u>Any coat length other than short</u>			

**RATIONALE:** This will align the registration rules with the standard, which disqualifies for any color other than blue and any coat length other than short. There are breeders hybridizing for long coat and other solid colors (black, white) and tabbies; there are also breeders using the blue point offspring of blue cats for breeding. There should be no cats in the required 8 generations of any color other than blue and coat length other than shorthaired.

**YES: 16**

**NO: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)**

Votes: 16

> 50% of Voting: 9

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2. Change the Pedigree Requirement section of the Russian Blue Rules of Registration to exclude pedigrees issued by WCF in Russia, Ukraine and/or China.

**Current:**

**PEDIGREE REQUIREMENTS (last date showing is current):**

<b>Date: 2/02</b>	<b>8 generations</b>		

**DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):**

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**Proposed:**

**PEDIGREE REQUIREMENTS (last date showing is current):**

<b>Date: 2/02</b>	<b>8 generations</b>	<b>Date: <u>05/17</u></b>	<b><u>Exclude any WCF pedigrees issued in Russia, Ukraine, China</u></b>

**DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):**

<b><u>Registration by pedigree using pedigrees from WCF issued in Russia, Ukraine or China</u></b>			
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**RATIONALE:** There has been evidence of fraudulent and incorrect pedigrees issued (or supposedly issued) by WCF clubs in Russia, Ukraine and China. This results in incorrectly registered Russian Blues and incorrect pedigree data in the CFA database. When errors are pointed out, the WCF clubs just issue a new pedigree without verifying that the details are correct.

**YES: 14**

**NO: 2**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)**

Votes: 16

> 50% of Voting: 9

3. **PROPOSED** (if Proposal #2 Fails): Change the Pedigree Requirement section of the Russian Blue Rules of Registration to require a second review of all pedigrees issued by WCF in Russia, Ukraine and/or China by the Russian Blue Breed Council Secretary.

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**Current:**

**PEDIGREE REQUIREMENTS (last date showing is current):**

<b>Date: 2/02</b>	<b>8 generations</b>		
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**Proposed:**

**PEDIGREE REQUIREMENTS (last date showing is current):**

<b>Date: 2/02</b>	<b>8 generations</b>	<b>Date: <u>05/17</u></b>	<b><u>Breed Council Secretary to Review/Approve all pedigrees issued by WCF clubs in Russia, Ukraine and China.</u></b>
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**RATIONALE:** There has been evidence of fraudulent and incorrect pedigrees issued (or supposedly issued) by WCF clubs in Russia, Ukraine and China. This results in incorrectly registered Russian Blues and incorrect pedigree data in the CFA database. When errors are pointed out, the WCF clubs just issue a new pedigree without verifying that the details are correct. Central Office could also forward any suspect pedigrees to the RB BCS for review. This is also a way to check to see if there are CFA cats in the 8 generations that are not identified with CFA Registration numbers.

**YES: 16**

**NO: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)**

Votes: 16

> 50% of Voting: 9

- 4. PROPOSED:** That CFA not allow the Russian Blue to be used as an outcross for any breed that has a structural defect as part of the feature of the breed (folded ears, lack of tail, shortened limbs, etc.).

**Current:**

**ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS**

None
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**Proposed:**

**ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS**

None
<b><u>Russian Blues may not be used as an outcross to any breed with a structural defect (example: Scottish Fold, Munchkin)</u></b>

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**RATIONALE:** Currently, individual breed registration rules indicate what other breeds may be allowed in the breed. We would like to go further and not permit breeds (either currently registered in CFA or those which might apply at some time) to use the Russian Blue as an outcross. A pedigreed breed should be able to have a say in which breeds it can be used. There would never be a benefit to the Russian Blue breed to be an allowed outcross for any breed that has a structural defect as part of its breed description.

**YES: 15**

**NO: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 1**

**REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)**

Votes: 15

> 50% of Voting: 8

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**RUSSIAN BLUE BREED COUNCIL SECRETARY BALLOT**  
**For the Term May 1, 2017 – April 30, 2019**

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Ballot for the Election of

**RUSSIAN BLUE**

**Breed Council Secretary**

For the Term May 1, 2017 – April 30, 2019

- 15     Annette Wilson  
         South Haven, Michigan
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