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INSTRUCTIONS

The entry clerk should create the disk at the time of printing the catalog, master clerk's catalog and the judge's books (color class sheets). Once the entries have been sorted and the first print file is created **DO NOT MAKE ANY ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE DATA FILE**. Making an addition or correcting a birth date, title or color of a cat may cause a resort and the new file will not be in the same order as the original file that was created.

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The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.

SHOW RULES

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Exhibitors, clubs and show officials are expected to adhere to all regulations and requirements specific to the country in which any CFA Show is held.

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

1.01 CAT is used in these rules to mean a domestic feline of the age of 8 calendar months or more of either sex, neutered or spayed.

A DOMESTIC feline is a subspecies, known as a *Felis catus*, within the *Felis* genus.

1.02 A KITTEN is a cat under the age of 8 calendar months.

1.03 A REGISTERED CAT is a cat for which a CFA registration number has been received from the Central Office.

1.04 A BENCHED CAT is one that is present and qualified for competition and judged in at least one ring. Such cat is presumed to be benched and present for competition throughout the entire show. Any cat competing in a ring, including a disqualified cat, is considered a benched cat for scoring purposes.

1.04.01 A BENCHED CHAMPION or PREMIER is one that is present and qualified for competition and judged in one ring as a Champion or Premier. Champions or Premiers, including Opens competing as Champions or Premiers, transferred to Grand Champion or Grand Premier after the first day of a two day show will be counted as a Champion or Premier in all rings. Such cat is presumed to be benched and present for competition throughout the entire show. Any cat competing in a ring, including a disqualified cat, is considered a benched cat for Grand Championship and Grand Premiership scoring purposes.

1.05 AN ENTRY is a cat or kitten for which an entry form or facsimile thereof has been submitted to the show entry clerk and accepted for competition. An entry is also a cat or kitten entered in the Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) Class.

AN ENTRY, as used in these rules, is also the process of submitting an entry to the entry clerk.

AN EXHIBITOR, as used in these rules, is the owner or agent of single or multiple entries in a show as designated on the entry form.

1.06 AN ALTERED CAT is one that has had the testicles (in a male) or the ovaries (in a female) removed surgically. A vasectomized cat is not eligible for entry.

1.07 A NEUTER is an altered male. A SPAY is an altered female.

1.08 A RING is a competition judged by one judge.

1.09 A SHOW is any commonly licensed concurrent series of rings sponsored by the same show management, administered by the same show committee, and held in the same location.

1.10 For the purpose of these rules, a CONCURRENT ring is not a SUBSEQUENT SHOW.

1.11 COMPETITIVE CATEGORY refers to the three major competitive groups: Non-Championship, Championship, and Premiership (Alter).

1.12 CLASS refers to the competitive divisions within the competitive categories as follows: Kitten, AOV, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) and Household Pet classes; Novice, Open, Champion and Grand Champion classes; Novice, Open, Premier and Grand Premier classes.

1.13 COLOR CLASS refers to the various recognized color/pattern classifications.

1.14 To PENALIZE: a judge deducts from an exhibit a portion, or all, of the points allotted to a specific part of the standard for that exhibit.

1.15 PRINTED: as used in these rules and unless otherwise noted (e.g. hand-printed), refers to information which has been mechanically reproduced.

1.16 To WITHHOLD AWARDS: a judge withholds awards from an otherwise eligible entry when in his opinion an entry is not worthy of them. Causes for withholding awards are listed in Paragraph 28.18.

1.17 To DISQUALIFY: to remove from competition. The class is judged as if the entry were not present. Causes for disqualification are listed in Article III and in each breed standard. An entry may be disqualified by the show committee, the veterinarian, the judge or the Central Office.

1.17.01 LISTING is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are permitted at all licensed shows.

1.18 NON-CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

a. The KITTEN CLASS is for any kitten, male or female, altered or unaltered, not less than 4 months but under 8 calendar months old on the opening day of the show, which, if an adult, would be eligible to compete in a Championship/Premiership Class.

b. The VETERAN CLASS is for any male or female, altered or unaltered, not younger than 7 years on the opening day of the show that if the owner chose to, could otherwise be shown in the championship or premiership classes. Veterans are not eligible for any Best-in-Show awards other than what might be awarded to veterans only. Cats entered in the Veterans Class are ineligible for competition in competitive categories (Championship and Premiership) at the same show.

c. The AOV (Any Other Variety) CLASS is for any registered cat or registered kitten, the ancestry of which entitles it to Championship or Premiership competition, but which does not (colorwise; coatwise; sexwise; as in the case of naturally tailless or naturally partially tailless breeds, tailwise; or earwise) conform to the accepted show standard. A cat with a disqualifying trait(s) as listed in the breed standard is not eligible for competition in the AOV class. An AOV entry is eligible only for awards in the AOV class of its own breed. AOV's compete separately as kittens,

adult whole cats or altered cats within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class and 2nd Best of Color Class. One Color Class per breed. For a list of those breeds which have AOV classes, see 32.01 and Article XXXIII.

d. The PROVISIONAL BREED CLASS is for any registered cat or registered kitten of a breed not accepted for Championship competition when CFA has approved a provisional standard for that breed. Cats entered in the Provisional Breed Class are eligible only for awards in the Provisional Breed Class. Provisional breeds compete separately as kittens, adult whole cats, or altered cats within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class and 2nd Best of Color Class - one class per category (i.e. Kitten, Championship, Premiership).

e. The MISCELLANEOUS (Non-Competitive) CLASS is for any registered cat or registered kitten of a breed not accepted for Provisional Breed competition. Miscellaneous Class entries are examined by judges; however, no awards will be made in this class.

f. The HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry. Household pets are eligible only for awards in the Household Pet Class. Household pets are to be judged separately from all other cats, solely on beauty and condition. Wild cats or wild cat-domestic cat hybrid crosses are not eligible for entry. (See Article II - Eligibility for Entry.)

g. The EXHIBITION ONLY CLASS is for any cat or kitten for which an entry form has been received, and for which a listing appears in the show catalog, but which is not scheduled for handling in any ring.

1.19 CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

a. The NOVICE CLASS is for altered or unaltered "listed" (unregistered) cats, of either sex, altered or unaltered, 8 calendar months old or over on the opening day of the show whose color and breed is CFA registerable as the breed being shown, including longhair Exotics shown as Persians and Oriental Shorthairs shown as Colorpoint Shorthairs (see rule 2.04), and who do not have a temporary registration number. The sire and dam of these cats must be printed in the show catalog. Entries that do not meet this requirement are not eligible for entry. Qualifying rings are awarded in the Novice class. Upon the cat's registration with CFA, these will be posted to the cat's record towards its Champion/Premier title. Cats competing in the Novice class may not go on to compete as Champions/Premiers. Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points and are not included in counts determining the number of cats present in any class. This class is for all licensed shows.

b. The OPEN CLASS is for CFA registered cats with either a temporary or permanent registration number of a color accepted for Championship competition, or either sex, 8 calendar months old or over on the opening day of the show, except cats that have completed requirements for Championship confirmation. When a cat has completed requirements for confirmation, it is ineligible for the Open Class at any subsequent show (see 2.07, 8.05). Opens are listed in the show catalog as opens and in the judge's book as champions. For the purposes of judging only, the open class is considered a subset of the champion class. Opens compete in the champion class and count as champions.

c. The CHAMPION CLASS is for cats that have completed Championships in this Association, and for which the required Championship claim form and fee has been mailed to the Central Office, claimed on-line or filed with the show master clerk. The Champion Class includes opens (with either temporary or permanent registration numbers) for competition purposes. Opens are listed in the show catalog as opens and the judge's book as champions. Opens compete in the champion class and count as champions.

d. The GRAND CHAMPION CLASS is for cats with either a temporary or permanent registration number that have completed Grand Championships in CFA. These cats have been confirmed automatically by the Central Office, have attained sufficient banked points with a temporary registration number, or the owner/agent has transferred the cat with the master clerk at the end of the first day of a two day show, believing that the cat has met the requirements to be a Grand.

1.20 PREMIERSHIP CLASSES

a. Premiership Classes are for CFA registered, neutered or spayed cats, 8 calendar months old or over, that would, as whole cats, be eligible to compete in the Championship classes.

b. The following classes will be recognized for neuters and spays of each Championship Color Class: Grand Premier, Premier, Open and Novice. The eligibility for each class will be determined in the same manner as for the corresponding class in Championship competition.

1.21 FINALS AWARDS: refer to show rule #28.19 for list of finals awards.

1.22 SHOW PRODUCING SERVICE: shall mean any individual, group of individuals, partnership or corporation, whether doing business under the name of any individual or a fictitious firm name, which performs or offers to perform, for any fee or other compensation, any one or more of the following services for any CFA member club:

- a.** Act in the capacity of entry clerk;
- b.** Act in the capacity of show secretary;
- c.** Act in the capacity of show manager;
- d.** Assume any management, control or possession, however slight, of any funds relating to or generated by the production of a CFA licensed show;
- e.** Assume any management, control or direction, however slight, over the selection or contracting of any CFA licensed judge, any show hall, any cage rental service or any independent retail vendor to be hired for or used in connection with any CFA licensed show.

In the event that the individual, all members of the group of individuals, all members of the partnership or all officers, directors and shareholders of the corporation otherwise falling within the terms of this definition are valid and duly elected members of the club for which the services are performed, they shall not be deemed to be a show producing service.

1.23 A PERMANENT REGISTRATION NUMBER is the number obtained upon registering the cat/kitten from either a CFA litter registration or from the appropriate generation pedigree as required by the registration rules for each breed.

1.24 A TEMPORARY REGISTRATION NUMBER is provided to listed cats who wish to compete at a CFA show and earn awards in any competitive category, e.g., points earned and qualifying rings will be credited to the cat. The temporary registration number is obtained for the exhibitor from the CFA Central Office via the Entry Clerk. Temporary Registration numbers will be issued by the entry clerk upon receipt of a four-generation pedigree (or whatever is required for registration of that breed if fewer than four generations are required) issued by a cat registering body recognized by CFA, with all cats on the pedigree being acceptable for that breed per current registration requirements. This would include longhair exotics shown as Persians (see rule 2.04) and the appropriate fee, which is in addition to the club's entry fee for registration by pedigree; or a CFA-issued pedigree showing the CFA registration number for both the sire and dam of the cat/kitten, and the appropriate fee, which is in addition to the club's entry fee. This must be provided to the entry clerk no later than **the close of check-in**. The fee, application form, and pedigree will be provided to Central Office in the show package. Upon review, the registration number will either remain valid for 30 days from the first day of the show, or be voided if CFA registration requirements are not met for the breed being registered. Central Office will notify any exhibitor whose temporary registration number is voided with the bases for such decision. Note: wins will also be voided if a cat competes in a competitive category not otherwise eligible based on its permanent registration, e.g., offspring of a "not-for-breeding" cat competing in Championship. Temporary registration numbers will be listed in the catalog as if they were permanent. Cats may compete and continue to earn points for 30 days from the first day of the first show where they have obtained a temporary registration number. That number should be used on all subsequent entries after the first show for the 30-day period or until the cat obtains a permanent registration number. At the end of this 30-day period, the cat may not be shown without a permanent registration number.

1.25 A WEEKEND is a two-day consecutive period occurring either on a Friday/Saturday, Saturday/Sunday, or Sunday/Monday. **However, for the purposes of determining the start and end of the show season, or for determining traditional dates, the Saturday/Sunday period will be used. The first weekend of any month is the first weekend where both the Saturday and Sunday of that weekend are within that month. For April, the last weekend of the month is the last weekend where both the Saturday and Sunday of that weekend are within that month. As such, in those years where April 30 falls on a Saturday the first weekend of the new show season is the weekend of April 30 (Saturday)/May 1 (Sunday), with the first weekend of May for traditional date purposes being the first full weekend in May (7th/8th).**

ARTICLE II ELIGIBILITY/INELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY

2.01 a. Any cat or kitten of sound health not less than 4 calendar months old on the opening day of the show and which has not been previously disqualified (see 2.01b) under the provisions of show rule 2.09 is eligible (subject to the exceptions herein) for exhibition at shows sanctioned by CFA and may compete for and be entitled to win, under the rules herein, any ribbon or prize offered. (See Paragraph 15.12)

b. 2.01.a. notwithstanding, male cats previously disqualified for not having two descended testicles may be altered and shown in the premiership class.

2.02 Any cat or kitten from a house or cattery where there has been feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis) within 21 days prior to the opening date of a show is ineligible for entry, and, should entry have been made prior to the onset of any such condition, such entry is ineligible for admission into the show room.

a. Only cats which appear healthy, without evidence of fleas, ear mites, or any contagious or infectious illness, are eligible for admission into the show room. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to refrain from bringing an unhealthy cat or kitten into the show hall. Failure to observe this rule will be grounds for disciplinary action.

2.03 Only cats registered with CFA with either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number or request for a temporary registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing as Novices, as provided for in show rule 1.19a/30.02.) It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.

2.04 With the exception of qualifying longhair Exotics (which may be shown in Persian classes), each cat must be entered in the breed under which it is registered and each kitten must be entered in the breed under which it is registered or eligible to be registered.

2.05 When an officiating judge, including a Best of the Bests judge, is the breeder of a cat or kitten, or the judge's cattery prefix/suffix is on the cat or kitten, such cat or kitten is not eligible for competition in that judge's ring.

a. This rule does not apply to shows in Hawaii or when a substitute judge officiates in a Best of the Bests competition.

b. This rule does not apply to shows where a trainee is performing color classes. In the event a cat bred by a trainee is presented to the ring the trainee shall request to not handle the entry, stating it is inappropriate due to prior knowledge.

c. A cat or kitten not entered in a ring because the advertised judge is the breeder may be judged by a substitute judge in that ring.

d. In the event an exhibitor shows a cat in a show where the presiding judge is the breeder of a cat or kitten, or the judge's cattery prefix/suffix is on the cat or kitten, or the cat or kitten is owned by a member of his/her immediate family which includes father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, step-children, stepparents, or in-laws, the cat will be mandatorily "x'd" out of that judge's ring.

2.05.01 Entries co-owned by a judge or owned by a member of the judge's household are not eligible for competition in any ring at a show at which that judge is officiating, provided that this restriction shall not apply to the judge who is judging Household Pets or Veterans only.

- 2.06** A neutered or spayed kitten is eligible for entry in the Kitten and Household Pet classes.
- 2.07** Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points for a cat that has completed requirements for Championship or Premiership will not be posted to a cat's record until the Central Office has received a Championship Claim form, appropriate fees, and confirmed that Championship or Premiership requirements have been met.
- 2.08** A cat that has been confirmed a Champion, Grand Champion, Premier or Grand Premier may be eligible for entry under a different color and/or pattern than its confirmed color and/or pattern (**except Sphynx, which are shown with no color or pattern description listed**). It may be shown as an Open in the Champion/Premier class at the show in which the owner decides to make the change. These cats may not continue to compete as the new color and/or pattern at any further shows until the Central Office has been notified of the color and/or pattern change and payment of the current fee for a corrected registration has been submitted. Points and titles earned under the previously confirmed color and/or pattern are not carried over to the new color and/or pattern and the cat must compete again as an Open in the Champion/Premier class.
- 2.09** A cat or kitten not having all its physical properties – eyes, ears, legs, tail, claws, both descended testicles (adult cat only) – or has had surgery which changes a cat's natural functions (e.g. tendonectomy), is not eligible for entry. The previous notwithstanding, cats missing certain physical properties, as listed below, are eligible for entry in the category (class) indicated:
- a. Altered cats in the Premiership classes;
 - b. Altered cats and kittens in the Household Pet classes;
 - c. Altered kittens in the Kitten classes;
 - d. Kittens without descended testicles in Kitten classes;
 - e. Recognized naturally tailless or naturally partially tailless breeds in Kitten, Championship or Premiership classes;
 - f. Cats having had a perineal urethrostomy operation in the Premiership Classes.
 - g. Household pets in the Household Pet Class not having these physical properties - eyes, ears, legs, or tail. Household pets may not be shown who have surgically absent claws or whose feet have undergone tendonectomy surgery.
- 2.10** A cat or kitten with a disqualifying feature (e.g. kinked tail, crossed eyes, etc.) which has been removed or changed by any method is not eligible for entry.
- 2.11** The show committee may refuse to accept an entry received after the specified hour on the advertised date for the closing of entries, or after the advertised limit of entries has been reached.
- 2.12** The show committee may permit cats or kittens, 4 months old or older, to be present for display or sale. Only cats or kittens eligible for CFA registration may be sold. No kitten under the age of 4 months shall be permitted in the show hall. This does not apply to animals being adopted from humane organizations. Proof of age must be presented upon the request of the show manager (see paragraph 15.12). Non-entered cats and kittens may be present in the show hall subject

to such conditions as the show committee may require. (See paragraph 4.09.)

- 2.13** No more than two kittens or one cat may be benched in a single cage whether entered for exhibition or competition or benched for sale.
- 2.14** No cat or kitten shall compete in more than 1 two-day show or 2 one-day shows (total 12 rings maximum) within three calendar days of any previous benching. If a cat/kitten is scheduled to be judged on only one day of a two day show, it will be considered to be benched only on that day. Cats benched in violation of this rule will receive no credit for the awards/points achieved in the latter show.

ARTICLE III CAUSES FOR DISQUALIFICATION

- 3.01** A Cat or kitten shown in the wrong class or under incorrect name, ownership, or registration number may be disqualified by the Central Office and any wins voided.
- 3.01.01** A cat or kitten for which an entry form was not submitted prior to the close of entries is subject to disqualification. A cat or kitten being exhibited must match the entry form which was submitted for entry to the show.
- 3.02** After the show committee has determined that sufficient evidence of illness exists, the show manager has the responsibility to order the immediate removal of any sick cat or kitten. Such cat or kitten will be entitled to all prizes allotted to it prior to its removal.
- 3.02.01** A cat or kitten transported to the show by an officiating judge is subject to disqualification.
- 3.03** Any exhibitor, judge, clerk or show committee member suspecting any cat or kitten of having fleas, ear mites or any contagious or infectious illness shall report same to the show manager. The show manager must convene a meeting of the show committee to determine if there is sufficient evidence to require the cat or kitten to be removed from the show hall. It is the duty of the show committee to investigate all such allegations and decide the appropriate action. Information from the complainant, personal observation by one or more of the committee members, and consultation with others of the committee's choosing such as an officiating judge or veterinarian exhibitor shall be taken into consideration, then the determination will be made by a majority vote of the show committee. If the determination is made for removal, the cat or kitten, along with all other exhibits belonging to the same exhibitor, being agented by that exhibitor, or traveling from that exhibitors primary residence with that exhibitor must be removed to an area outside of the benching and judging rooms. Re-entry of said cats into the show hall will be allowed only if the suspect cat or kitten is examined by a veterinarian licensed in the state in which the show is held and a written certification of health is obtained and presented to the show committee. It shall be the responsibility of the owner or agent of the suspected entry to obtain the veterinarian's services.
- 3.04** A cat or kitten may be disqualified in all rings if removed from the show room contrary to the provisions in these rules.
- 3.05** A judge must disqualify a cat or kitten for a defect listed in the "Disqualify" section of the standard for that particular breed or color.

- 3.06** A judge will disqualify and dismiss from his ring any cat or kitten that bites or that is, in his judgment, behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner. The chief clerk in that ring is responsible for notifying all chief ring clerks of the action taken.
- 3.07** The excessive use of white powder, or chalk, or the use of any colored powder, colored chalk, tints, color rinses or other artificial coloring or concealment media on a cat or kitten entered in a CFA show is strictly forbidden. The plucking of buttons or lockets; the use of any device, substance or chemical; e.g. tranquilizer, hormone, antihistamine, that will alter the natural actions or appearance of a cat or kitten, is forbidden including the surgical alteration to the cat's anatomy such as cropped or stapled ears, docked or shortened tails. Evidence of such, as determined by the personal opinion of the judge, will result in the immediate disqualification of the entry in that ring.
- 3.08** Any entry that is entered contrary to these rules will be disqualified in all rings by the show committee. The judge will disqualify any entry (including declawed cats and kittens and adult, whole males that do not have two descended testicles) entered contrary to these rules if such an entry has not previously been disqualified. The Central Office will disqualify in all rings and void any wins of any entry that is entered contrary to these rules should such entry not have been previously disqualified.
- 3.09** Cats and kittens that are disqualified are not eligible for any award in the ring where such disqualification applies with the exception of cats removed by the veterinarian under paragraphs 3.03 and 5.03.

ARTICLE IV ENTRY PROCEDURES

- 4.01** Any person entering a cat or kitten in a show held under the rules of CFA shall by such act agree to abide by, and this person and the entry of this person shall be subject to, these rules.
- 4.02** For the purpose of entering a show, the lessee of a cat or kitten is the same as the owner of such cat. Lessees should identify themselves as such when completing an entry form.
- 4.03** It is the responsibility of the owner to enter a cat or kitten correctly under its exact registered name, registered ownership, region/area of residence, and when required, registration number. (See Paragraph 2.03.) Exhibitors that request a temporary registration number will also include a pedigree as specified in paragraph 1.24 of these rules.
- 4.04** It is the responsibility of the owner to **enter and** show a cat or kitten in its correct competitive category, class and color class and correct color/pattern description. **(except Sphynx, which are shown with no color or pattern description listed).**
- 4.05** For each entry, the exhibitor must submit a properly completed, official CFA entry form or facsimile thereof to the entry clerk no later than the close of entries. All information required on the entry form, with the exception of the owner's signature, must be typed or printed. For email entries, the email address may be accepted in lieu of a signature. If a club accepts prepaid entries, the accepted guideline for the entry clerks will be to accept completed entry forms before an incomplete prepaid entry. In the event the show fills prior to completion of the information

for the prepaid entry, the club shall return the check/fee for the prepaid entry to the exhibitor.

- 4.05.01** It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or D (see CFA's Constitution, Articles VIII and IX for region and division boundary specifications). 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, D=International Division.
- 4.06** Each entry must have a name.
- 4.07** Each entry must be accompanied by the stipulated entry fee. FAX or email entries may be accepted at the discretion of the sponsoring club. If the club opts to accept FAX or e-mail entries, the club shall accept them from any exhibitor submitting such entry regardless of location of residence. All FAX or email entries must be paid in full within 10 days of receipt or prior to the start of the show, whichever is first. (See 11.08 b. 3.) No entry fee may be paid by a check drawn on a CFA cat club account. Entries accompanied by such a check must be refused and returned. No entry fee will be returned because of failure to bench except as provided in Paragraphs 5.02d and 13.06b.
- 4.08** An entry must be the property of the person who is shown on the entry form as the owner. The records in the Central Office are conclusive where the ownership of the entry is concerned. If ownership is transferred between the date of entry and the date of the show, the transfer must be reported to the master clerk. It is essential that transfer of ownership papers be filed with the Central Office immediately upon transfer of ownership.
- 4.09** It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry.
- 4.10** All claws of each entry must be clipped prior to benching. Failure to do so will subject the entry to disqualification.
- 4.10.01** Cats or kittens will not be judged with ribbons on their necks or with other identifying marks other than an optional tattoo (see paragraph 4.11), micro-chipping or, in the case of Household Pets, devices applied to the claws which inhibit the ability of a cat to scratch, i.e. claw covers. (See paragraphs 11.11.01 & 28.10.)
- 4.11** Cats or kittens may be marked with an identifying tattoo such as the last digits of the CFA registration number or a Social Security number. The tattoo shall be placed inside the thigh or ears and not exceed 1/2 inch in height or 9 digits in length. Cats may also be identified with a subcutaneous microchip which may cause a slight bump usually in the shoulder region. A nonconforming tattoo may be considered to be an identifying mark. (See Paragraph 28.10.)
- 4.12** **Any exhibitor that attempts to blatantly manipulate show counts for the benefit of their entry, such as by paying for other exhibitor's entries, may be considered to have acted in an unsportsmanlike manner and may be subject to discipline as specified in Article XV of the CFA Constitution.**

ARTICLE V PROCEDURES PRIOR TO BENCHING

- 5.01** Procedures for shows without veterinarian inspection.
- Show management shall reserve the right to hold a show without the provision of veterinarian inspection prior to benching.
 - The show **entry clerk** or a designated representative shall mark all those entries that are absent, or that require transfer to another competitive category, class or color class.
- 5.02** Procedures for shows with veterinarian inspection.
- A copy of Article V of these Show Rules must be given to the veterinarian for his careful review prior to his inspection of entries.
 - The show committee is responsible for answering any questions that the veterinarian may have regarding these rules.
 - At the club's discretion, veterinarian inspection may be required of Household Pets only.
 - In the event that the veterinarian is unable to officiate or does not appear at the designated time for benching inspection and a substitute veterinarian cannot be engaged to perform the benching inspection, the show shall be declared a show without veterinarian inspection. Those exhibitors who so request shall be reimbursed for all entry fees for the entries present, and their entries shall be marked absent.
 - The owner or the owner's agent of each cat considered by the veterinarian to be in good health shall be issued a card to that effect and thereby benched.
 - The show **flyer** for the show held under the provisions of this paragraph must include the following statement: "Veterinarian inspection prior to benching will be required."
- 5.03** In the event of a disqualification by a veterinarian, all other entries from the same house or cattery and all cats or kittens for whom such exhibitor is agent shall be automatically disqualified and removed from the show room immediately, but shall retain, under the provisions of this Article, awards already received. In the event an agent's cat or kitten is disqualified, the agent's own cat or kitten shall be disqualified.
- 5.04** Any decision based on the judgment of a veterinarian acting under these rules shall not be questioned.

ARTICLE VI BENCHING PROCEDURES

- 6.01** No entry may be benched before being checked in by the show **entry clerk** or a designated representative or prior to inspection by the designated veterinarian in a vetted show.
- 6.02** When an owner does not accompany his cat or kitten, a designated agent must be in attendance.
- 6.03** Late arrivals: an entry arriving at the show room after the stipulated hour may be benched, at the option of the show management, after examination by the designated veterinarian, if applicable, at the expense of the exhibitor. For any ring in which its class is judged prior to its benching, it shall be marked absent and no class will be reopened.

- 6.04** The owner or agent of a late arrival is responsible for notifying all ring clerks once the late arrival is benched.
- 6.05** Absentees and Transfers.
- Before judging begins, an exhibitor is responsible for reporting to the show **entry clerk or designated representative** any of his cats or kittens that are absent, or that require transfer to another competitive category, class, or color class (**including one in a different breed**) or change in color/pattern description.
 - Transfers of ownership must be reported to the master clerk, and a correction slip must be filled out by the new owner, or agent indicating the correct name(s) of the owner.
 - Before judging begins on the second day of a two day show, the **master clerk** will report all competitive transfers to each ring clerk who will notify the officiating judge of changes.
- 6.06** Show management shall assign benching cages for all entries. All entries of a particular exhibitor and those entries for which that exhibitor is the designated agent shall be benched together. No more than one agent may be named by an exhibitor for all cats entered in a show. No change of benching assignments shall be made without the permission of the show manager. Non-benched shows are not permitted. Benching must be provided on the second day of a one day Longhair/one day Shorthair show for cats and kittens who have qualified for the Best of the Bests judging.
- 6.07** All cats or kittens for sale or lease must be benched in the benching area. (Note: Some clubs prefer to locate Animal Welfare exhibits including cats and kittens for adoption outside the "benching area." When this is the case, this rule is not to be misconstrued to include such Animal Welfare cats and kittens.)
- 6.08** No exhibitor shall be allowed to remove cages and use the area to set up a sales booth in the benching row. Any sales activity is subject to the approval of the show management.
- 6.09** Exhibitors will be allowed to display CFA ribbons or rosettes, foreign ribbons or rosettes and unaffiliated breed club ribbons or rosettes only on/in exhibition cages. Such ribbons or rosettes not won at a current show, with the exception of CFA National or Regional Award rosettes, must be confined to the inside of the exhibit's cage. Awards won on any day at a show-format licensed according to 12.07.a.3, or any similar format on one weekend at the same location, may be displayed on the outside of the cage on any subsequent day at that location.
- 6.10** Stud service in the show room is absolutely prohibited. Any owner whose entry participates in such action is subject to disciplinary action under Article XV, Section 4 of the CFA Constitution.
- 6.11** Under no circumstances will a pregnant cat be delivered of her kittens in the show hall.
- 6.12** Nothing may be placed on top of a cage that would extend above the top of the cage height by more than 12 inches, except as allowed by show management.

ARTICLE VII REMOVAL PROCEDURES

- 7.01** Kittens may be removed from the show room at the completion of the kitten judging.
- 7.01.1** Veterans may be removed from the show room at the completion of Veterans class judging.

7.02 All benched entries with the exception of kittens, Veterans and Household Pets, must remain in the show hall until the advertised closing hour. Failure to be present may cause all awards won in that show by that entry to be voided with the following exceptions:

a. Any entry absent from rings judged after the advertised closing time of the final day of the show shall retain awards previously won but shall not be eligible for any awards made after their removal provided the show manager is noticed of the entry's absence.

b. Household Pets may be removed at an earlier hour than the closing of the show as determined by the show manager.

ARTICLE VIII CHAMPIONSHIPS & PREMIERSHIPS

Scoring Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a CFA registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.

8.01 Of each color class color class recognized as entitled to Championship or Premiership, all opens in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty, can use the ring as a "Qualifying Ring" so long as the judge does not disqualify or otherwise withhold awards (including wrong color) from the open.

8.02 Winners ribbons or qualifying rings claimed must be won competing as the same color and/or pattern (**except Sphynx, which are shown with no color or pattern description listed**) and must be won under the exact name in which the cat is registered. The cat's registration number must be printed in the catalog. Ownership shown in the show catalog must agree with the registered ownership, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 4.08. Wins made in Championship competition may not be transferred to Premiership records. However, titles won in Championship competition are retained.

8.03 **a.** Six (6) Qualifying Rings earned under at least four (4) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least three (3) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Russia (east of the Ural Mountains), and Asia (except Japan) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation.

b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.

c. An Open must compete all of the requirements for Championship or Premiership confirmation before competing as a Grand Champion or Grand Premier.

8.04 Cats must be registered as the color and/or pattern for which a championship claim is being made. A corrected certificate for cats registered as a different color and/or pattern than the color and/or pattern the cat competed as must be obtained either prior to or in conjunction with the championship claim form. The current fee in effect for a corrected certificate must be submitted.

8.05 **a.** A Championship or Premiership claim can be made by completing the official CFA Championship Claim Form and mailing to the Central Office before the opening day of the next show in which the cat is benched, completing an online confirmation at the CFA website, or filing with the show master clerk. The CFA Championship Claim form must include the following information on the shows where Qualifying Rings have been earned: show name, show date, and judges who judged each Qualifying Ring and be accompanied by the appropriate fee. See current price list for applicable fees.

b. Cats completing the requirements for the Championship or Premiership class may file the Championship Claim Form and fee with the master clerk for inclusion in the show records package for CFA.

c. Requests for confirmation of Championship or Premiership must be made within three years of the date of the first show at which Qualifying Rings are achieved except where Championships or Premierships have been earned over a longer period. Such requests may be confirmed subject to the availability and verification by official show records. Exhibitors may validate Qualifying Rings achieved at a show whose date approaches the three year limit by contacting the Central Office in a timely manner providing the details of the award – name of show, date, and judge.

8.06 Grand points for a cat that has completed requirements for Championship or Premiership will not be posted to a cat's record until the Central Office has received a Championship Claim form, appropriate fees, and confirmed that championship or premiership requirements have been met. In the case of cats that earned points with a temporary registration number, those points also will not be posted to a cat's record until the cat has received a permanent registration number. When the Championship or Premiership Claim Form has not been received by the Central Office, any wins earned by a cat otherwise eligible to compete as a Champion or Premier will be held in abeyance. For these wins to be counted, the exhibitor must respond to the written notice of delinquency issued by the Central Office within 20 days of the date of such notice. The response shall consist of a completed Championship or Premiership Claim Form, the confirmation fee and payment of a late filing fee. See current price list for applicable fees.

ARTICLE IX GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS/PREMIERSHIPS

9.01 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows:

a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. The highest placing Champion or Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated. The second highest placing Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points awarded the highest placing Champion or Premier, third highest 80%, fourth highest 70% and 5th highest 60%, etc. In all cases, fractional points .5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.

b. Best Champion or Best Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated.

c. Second Best Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points received by the Best Champion or Premier. Third Best Champion will receive 80% of the points received by the Best Champion.

d. Best Longhair Champion and Best Shorthair Champion in Allbreed rings will receive one point for every benched Champion defeated in that specialty.

e. The Second Best Longhair Champion and Second Best Shorthair Champion in Allbreed rings will receive 90% of the points received by the Best Longhair or Best Shorthair Champion. The Third Best Longhair Champion and Third Best Shorthair Champion in Allbreed rings will receive 80% of the points received by the Best Longhair or Best Shorthair Champion.

f. Best Longhair Premier and Best Shorthair Premier in Allbreed rings will receive one point for every benched Premier defeated in that specialty.

g. The Second Best Longhair Premier and Second Best Shorthair Premier in Allbreed rings will receive 90% of the points received by the Best Longhair or Best Short-hair Premier.

9.02 Breed and Division Points

a. Cats which receive the award of Best Champion/Premier in each of the Breeds/Divisions currently recognized for Championship/Premiership competition (see Paragraph 32.01) will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every benched Champion/Premier defeated within the Breed/Division.

b. In all cases an entry will receive the points from only one award per ring - that which carries the most points.

9.03 a. A cat must have at least one win of Best Champion/Premier or Second Best Champion/Premier or Third Best Champion or a final award of Best-Fifteenth Best Cat in either a CFA Specialty or Allbreed final in order to qualify for the title of Grand Champion/Grand Premier.

b. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Malta, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), the International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia), and the Maritime Provinces of Canada seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia one hundred twenty-five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In the Ukraine two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship. In Hong Kong seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Premiership.

In China and Malaysia fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Thailand and Indonesia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Ukraine and Russia (east of the Ural mountains) twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.

c. Grand points will be adjusted when a cat competes outside their scoring location. For example, a cat competing from a 75 point scoring location to a 200 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 37.5% and grand premier points at 33.3%. A cat competing from a 75 point scoring location to a 125 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 60% and grand premier points at 50%. A cat competing from a 125 point scoring location to a 200 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 62.5% and grand premier points at 66.6%.

Grand points will only be adjusted up when a cat competes from a higher point scoring location to a lower point scoring location for either of the following two reasons: (1) there is a permanent change of residence or (2) a cat from Japan, Singapore, or Taiwan is competing in either Japan, Singapore, or Taiwan (see 9.03 d.).

d. A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one scoring location will be adjusted per 9.03.c. Grand Champion points earned in a 75 point scoring location moving to a 200 point scoring location will be credited at 267%. Grand Premier points will be credited at 300%. Grand Champion points earned in a 75 point scoring location moving to a 125 point scoring location will be credited at 166%. Grand Champion points earned in a 125 point scoring location moving to a 200 point scoring location will be credited at 160%. Grand Premier points earned in a 50 point scoring location moving to a 75 point scoring location will be credited at 150%. Grand Premier points earned in a 25 point scoring location moving to a 50 point scoring location will be credited at 200%.

e. Wins made in Championship competition may not be transferred to Premiership records. However, titles won in Championship competition are retained.

f. An Open must complete the requirements for the Champion/Premier class in order to qualify for the title of Grand Champion/Grand Premier. Opens may not compete as Grand Champions or Grand Premiers until all of the requirements for the Championship or Premiership claim have been met.

9.04 Points must be won under at least three (3) different judges.

9.05 Cats completing the requirements for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership by the close of the first day of a two day show will then be eligible for competition as a Grand Champion or Grand Premier on the second day of the show, including those cats competing with a temporary registration number. All such transfers must be made to the master clerk at the end of the first day's judging. Prior to the start of judging on the second day of the show, the show secretary will report all Grand Championship and Grand Premiership transfers to each ring clerk who will notify the officiating judge of changes.

The Central Office will automatically confirm cats that have completed requirements for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. Certificate of confirmation will be mailed as soon as possible after show records are

received and wins have been recorded with the exception of those cats competing with a temporary registration number. In that case, the Certificate of confirmation will only be mailed after the cat has received a permanent registration number.

If confirmation of Grand Championship/Grand Premiership is not received, owners should contact the Central Office by phone via the number listed at the front of this booklet prior to competition in any subsequent show, to confirm that their cat(s) has completed the requirements for Grand.

A cat may also begin to compete on the second day of a two day show, without having the title of Grand Championship or Grand Premiership confirmed by the Central Office if the owner/agent completes a correction slip and transfer with the master clerk at the end of the first day of a two day show.

9.06 After confirmation of title has been received, a cat is ineligible to compete in the Champion or Premier Class and must be transferred and compete in the Grand Champion or Grand Premier class at any subsequent show.

9.07 Any cat that achieves 30 or more top 10/top 15 finals per season in three separate seasons shall be eligible to claim the "Grand of Distinction" title (abbreviated GCD or GPD). At least 20 of these finals in each season must be in Allbreed rings. These finals may be achieved in either championship or premiership class, or a combination, in each season. The "of distinction" suffix will be added to the title corresponding to the class in which the cat competed in the third season with 30 finals. Cats who have achieved this title will still compete in the regular Grand Champion/Grand Premier classes.

This award may be claimed by filing the appropriate form with Central Office, and paying a fee as set by the Board of Directors. Show seasons prior to **2005-2006** may not be considered in claims for this title. **The Grand of Distinction title must be claimed within 90 days of the conclusion of the last qualifying season.**

ARTICLE X VIOLATIONS

10.01 A protest asserting an alleged violation of these rules by any show official, judge, exhibitor or member club may be made by an exhibitor, an officiating judge or by a member of a member club and may first be made to the show committee in writing at the show or within thirty (30) days following the show. The show committee shall endeavor to gather all pertinent facts concerning the alleged violation(s) and in the event the show committee deems the protest to be supported by substantial evidence, the written protest and all relevant matter gathered by the show committee shall be forwarded to the CFA Executive Board. However, the person(s) asserting the alleged violation may opt to bring the facts directly to the CFA Protest Committee.

The Executive Board may, at its option, proceed to hear the protest after giving the party charged due notice and opportunity to be heard in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution. Upon a finding of guilty, the Board shall prescribe punishment in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

10.02 Whether or not a formal protest has been made, the CFA Executive Board shall have full power to inquire into any alleged violation(s) of these rules by any show

official, judge, exhibitor, or member club provided that notice and opportunity to be heard is first given to the party charged.

10.03 SHOW PRODUCING SERVICES: In the event that any CFA member club shall be charged, by protest or otherwise, with a violation of these rules arising out of the act or omission of a show producing service retained by such member club in connection with the production of a CFA licensed show, the following apply:

a. If the show producing service involved was a licensed show producing service, as defined in Paragraph 1.22, and the violation, act or omission was not the result of any conduct of the member club itself, such member club shall not be held to be in violation of these rules.

b. If the show producing service involved was not a licensed show producing service as defined in paragraph 1.22, the acts or omissions of the show producing service shall be deemed to have been the acts or omissions of the member club and such member club shall be subject to such disciplinary action as the Board may determine, pursuant to Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

c. In the event that the provisions of paragraph (1) above are found to be applicable in connection with a particular charged violation, the terms, conditions and provisions of Article XV of the CFA Constitution shall apply to the licensed show producing service, in the same manner and to the same extent as would be the case with respect to the CFA member club involved.

d. In the event that the provisions of paragraph (2) above are found to be applicable in connection with a particular charged violation, the terms, conditions and provisions of Article XV of the CFA Constitution shall also be applicable as to the individual or group of individuals whose acts or omissions are found by the Board to have been the cause of the charged violation, notwithstanding any action taken with respect to the CFA member club involved.

ARTICLE XI RESPONSIBILITIES OF EXHIBITORS

11.01 Any person entering a cat or kitten in a show held under the rules of CFA shall by such act agree to abide by, and this person and the entry of this person shall be subject to these rules.

11.01.1 Exhibitors must transport cats into and out of the show hall in an enclosed, secured carrier.

11.01.2 Any person offering a cat(s)/kitten(s) for sale must ensure an enclosed, secured carrier is being used for the transport of the cat being sold.

11.02 Exhibitors with bona fide handicaps shall be responsible for making their special needs known to the entry clerk. Exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices can request end of row benching during judging procedures by such to the entry clerk.

11.03 It is the responsibility of the owner to enter a cat or kitten correctly under its exact registered name, registered ownership, region/area of residence, exact color/tabby pattern, **(except Sphynx, which are shown with no color or pattern description listed)**, and when required, registration number. (See paragraph 2.03, 11.04.) Entries that request a temporary registration number must comply with paragraph 1.24 of these rules.

11.03.1 It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure, prior to his arrival at the show, that an entry form for each of his

cats/kittens entered in the show has been received by the entry clerk prior to the close of entries. Cats/kittens whose entry information is not printed in the catalog, but is included as an addendum, will not receive credit for any awards achieved at the show unless approved by the CFA Central Office (see paragraphs 15.01.1 and 20.06).

11.04 Correction of entry information:

a. It is the exhibitor's responsibility, upon arrival at the show, to confirm that the registration number, region/area of residence, the color/tabby pattern, and other entry information as printed in the catalog is correct.

b. If any of the entry information as printed in the catalog is in error, or a registration number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide corrections of the information printed in error and/or the lacking registration number to the master clerk or the **Entry Clerk** or their designee (individual handling check-in), as appropriate. An official catalog correction request form must be used and the exhibitor submitting the form must obtain a copy of the catalog correction form signed by the master clerk, or designated representative, showing the correct information has been supplied for corrections of erroneous or missing entry information involving the name, registration number, birth date, ownership, region of residence of the cat, or competitive category (Novice, Open, Champion, Premier, Grand Champion, Grand Premier). This receipt should be retained by the exhibitor in the event any question might arise at a future date regarding an entry. For erroneous information regarding sex, age, color/tabby pattern, color class, competitive category (changes to or from Grand Champion/Grand Premier only) or competitive class of the cat, the correction must be made on the absentee/transfer sheet with the Show Secretary or their designee (individual handling check-in), or, if check-in is completed, with each ring clerk prior to the cat being judged. Correction of erroneous information regarding the sire, dam, or breeder is not required. **Likewise, adding the permanent registration number for an adult cat entered in Novice is not allowed.**

c. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to submit the completed catalog correction request form to the master clerk no later than four (4) hours prior to the published or announced closing hour on the final day of the show. The master clerk is not required to accept catalog correction requests submitted after the cutoff time specified above.

11.05 It is the responsibility of the owner to show a cat in its correct competitive category, class, color class and color and/or pattern **(except Sphynx, which are shown with no color or pattern description listed).**

11.06 For each entry, the exhibitor must submit a properly completed entry in the form of an official CFA entry form, a facsimile of an official CFA entry form or an entry sent by email following the form of an official CFA entry form. All information required on the entry form, with the exception of the owner's signature, must be typed or hand-printed. For email entries the email address may be accepted in lieu of a signature. The entry form must be submitted to the entry clerk no later than close of entries.

11.07 Each entry must have a name.

11.08 a. Each entry *must* be accompanied by the stipulated

entry fee. Once a cat is entered, entry cancellations or refunds of fees due or paid is at the option of the sponsoring club. If a show fills prior to the closing date specified in the show **flyer**, entry fees will be refunded for those cats whose entry has been replaced by a replacement entry. It is the option of the club as to whether to accept replacement entries or not. If the club opts to accept fax or email entries, the club shall accept them from any exhibitor submitting such entry regardless of location of residence. Such entries must be paid in full within 10 days of receipt or prior to the start of the show, whichever is first. Clubs requiring cash payment at the door for faxed or email entries must so state this fact prominently in the show flyer.

b. If the club sponsoring a show finds, after the opening of a show, that an exhibitor's check for fees is not collectible, or the fee for a faxed or emailed entry is not paid, the following actions shall be taken.

1. The club will notify both the exhibitor and CFA Central Office by certified, return receipt mail that if the monies for the fees plus the bank penalty charges, if payment was made by an uncollectible check, and postage in an amount sufficient to cover the four mailings required by CFA Show Rules 11.08.1-3, are not received within thirty (30) days after notification, that all wins for that show weekend, if applicable, for the exhibitor's cat(s) will be rescinded. The club must send the initial notification within sixty (60) days of the opening date of the show. Notification must provide the names, registration numbers and entry numbers of all cats entered by the exhibitor and whether payment by money order or certified bank funds is required. The club may elect to notify CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the notification within the sixty (60) days.

2. If the club receives the fees plus any applicable bank penalties and postage within the 30 day period, the club will immediately notify the exhibitor and CFA Central Office that the exhibitor is now in good standing and no action shall be taken.

3. If the full payment (as prescribed in section 1) is not received within the 30 day period, the club will notify the exhibitor and CFA Central Office of that fact within seven (7) days by certified, return receipt mail. The club may elect to notify CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the notification within 7 days after the thirty (30) days is up. CFA Central Office will then rescind all wins earned by the exhibitor's cat(s) for that show weekend and suspend all CFA services and inform the exhibitor by certified, return receipt mail. A processing fee shall be payable to CFA by the exhibitor. The amount of the processing fee is listed in the CFA's current price list. All CFA services will be suspended to the exhibitor until the processing fee and the debt to the club are paid. Once points are rescinded they will not be reinstated if the exhibitor ultimately pays the outstanding fees.

4. CFA Central Office requires a photocopy of the certified post office receipt for all certified letters sent to the exhibitor in accordance with this rule. The club may send the photocopy to CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the photocopy within

the appropriate time period.

5. All cats entered by the exhibitor, whether owned by the exhibitor or some other person(s) are affected by this rule.

The official count and the wins earned by other cats in the show will not be affected by the above actions.

- 11.09** An entry must be the property of the person who is shown on the entry form as the owner. The records in the Central Office are conclusive where the ownership of the entry is concerned. If ownership is transferred between the date of entry and the date of the show, the transfer must be reported to the master clerk. It is essential that transfer of ownership papers be filed with the Central Office immediately upon transfer of ownership.
- 11.10** It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry.
- 11.11** All claws of each entry must be clipped prior to benching. Failure to do so will subject the entry to disqualification.
- 11.11.1** Cats or kittens will not be judged with ribbons on their necks or with other identifying marks other than an optional tattoo (see paragraph 11.12), micro-chipping or, in the case of Household Pets, devices applied to the claws which inhibit the ability of a cat to scratch, i.e. claw covers. (See 4.10.01 & 28.10.)
- 11.12** Cats or kittens may be marked with an identifying tattoo, such as the last digits of the CFA registration number or a Social Security number. The tattoo shall be placed inside the left thigh and not exceed 1/2 inch in height nor 9 digits in length. A non-conforming tattoo may be considered to be an identifying mark. (See 4.11, 28.10.)
- 11.13** No entry may be benched prior to inspection by the designated veterinarian or prior to presentation to the show secretary, whichever is applicable.
- 11.14** When an owner does not accompany his cat or kitten, a designated agent must be in attendance.
- 11.15** Late arrivals: an entry arriving at the show room after the stipulated hour may be benched, at the option of the show management, after examination by the designated veterinarian, if applicable, at the expense of the exhibitor. For any ring in which its class is judged prior to its benching, it shall be marked absent and no class will be reopened.
- 11.16** The owner or agent of a late arrival is responsible for checking in with the show secretary and notifying all ring clerks once the late arrival is benched.
- 11.17** No kitten under the age of 4 months shall be permitted in the show hall. Proof of age must be presented upon the request of the show manager (see paragraph 15.12).
- 11.18** Absentees and Transfers.
- a.** Before judging begins, an exhibitor is responsible for reporting to the show **entry clerk or designated representative** any of his cats or kittens that are absent, or that require transfer to another competitive category, class, color class (**including one in a different breed**), or color and/or pattern.

b. Transfer of ownership must be reported to the master clerk, and a correction slip must be filled out by the new owner, or agent indicating the correct name(s) of the owner.

c. To qualify for the Grand Champion or Grand Premier class on the second day of a two day show, the owner/agent must notify the master clerk and must file a correction form with the master clerk before the end of the first day of a two day show. If the transfer is from Open to Grand, the owner/agent must file a completed Championship or Premiership Claim form and fee with the master clerk before the end of the first day of a two day show. If the exhibitor has already filed the claim electronically, the exhibitor must submit a catalog correction form instead of the claim form and fee. Transferring a cat from Open or Champion to Grand in either the Championship or Premiership class is at the option of the exhibitor.

- 11.19** No exhibitor shall be allowed to remove cages and use the area to set up a sales booth in the benching rows. Any sales activity is subject to the approval of the show management.
- 11.20** Exhibitors will be allowed to display CFA ribbons or rosettes, foreign ribbons or rosettes and unaffiliated breed club ribbons or rosettes only on/in exhibition cages. Such ribbons or rosettes not won at a current show, with the exception of CFA National or Regional Award rosettes, must be confined to the inside of the exhibit's cage. Awards won on any day at a show-format licensed according to 12.07.a.3, or any similar format on one weekend at the same location, may be displayed on the outside of the cage on any subsequent day at that location.
- 11.21** An entry must be present and available for judging when the time for judging each entry is reached. An entry not so presented or available will be marked absent and the class will be judged as if such an entry had not been benched. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor or the exhibitor's agent to see that the cat or kitten is presented for judging when the entry number is called the first time. **Only one call to the judging ring is required.**
- 11.22** Stud service in the show room is absolutely prohibited. Any owner whose entry participates in such action is subject to disciplinary action under Article XV, Section 4 of the CFA Constitution.
- 11.23** All benched entries, with the exception of kittens and Veterans, must remain in the show hall until the advertised closing hour. Failure to be present may cause all awards won in that show by that entry to be voided with the following exceptions:
- a.** Entries absent from rings judged after the advertised closing time of the final day of the show shall retain awards previously won but shall not be eligible for any awards made after their removal provided the show manager is notified of the cat's absence.
- b.** Household pets may be removed at an earlier hour than the closing of the show as determined by the show manager.
- 11.24** Each claimant of a Championship or Premiership must mail to the Central Office, have already filed the claim electronically, or give to the master clerk the official CFA Championship Claim Form, or facsimile thereof, before the opening day of the next show in which the cat is benched, a list of shows where Qualifying Rings

have been earned with dates, names of shows and judges, along with the current confirmation fee.

- 11.25** Grand points for a cat that has completed requirements for Championship or Premiership will not be posted to a cat's record until the Central Office has received a Championship Claim form, appropriate fees, and confirmed that Championship or Premiership requirements have been met. In the case of cats that earned points with a temporary registration number, those points also will not be posted to a cat's record until the cat has received a permanent registration number. When the Championship or Premiership Claim Form has not been received by the Central Office, any wins earned by a cat otherwise eligible to compete as a Champion or Premier will be held in abeyance. For these wins to be counted, the exhibitor must respond to the written notice of delinquency issued by the Central Office within 20 days of the date of such notice. The response shall consist of a completed Championship or Premiership Claim Form, the current confirmation fee and payment of a late fee. See current price list for applicable fees.
- 11.26** Exhibitors must not make any comments on exhibits within the judge's hearing or challenge the judge's decision. Any decision based on the judgment of a judge acting under these rules is final.
- 11.27** Unsportsmanlike conduct will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.
- 11.28** Exhibitors must not solicit the opinion of non-officiating judges at any show.
- 11.29** No exhibitor may leave cats or kittens in the show hall overnight.
- 11.30** An exhibitor may not spray any disinfectant, deodorizer, or other liquid in a judging cage without permission of the ring clerk and judge.
- 11.31** An exhibitor must not exhibit a cat transported by an officiating judge if the cat was transported in conjunction with travel related to the judging assignment.
- 11.32** Nothing may be placed on top of a cage that would extend above the top of the cage height by more than 12 inches, except as allowed by show management.
- 11.33** Use of noise-producing devices by exhibitors, such as a hair dryer or vacuum cleaner, in the benching area is prohibited.
- 11.34** Any exhibitor that attempts to blatantly manipulate show counts for the benefit of their entry, such as by paying for other exhibitor's entries, may be considered to have acted in an unsportsmanlike manner and may be subject to discipline as specified in Article XV of the CFA Constitution.
- 11.35** Gifts from exhibitors in conjunction with a show are never acceptable. Judges are prohibited from accepting gifts from exhibitors from the time they leave their place of residence until they return home. This time is considered to be 'in conjunction with a show'.

ARTICLE XII SHOW LICENSES

- 12.01** A member club holding any type of show where CFA awards are to be made must secure a license. A member club or Regional Director(s) applying for a license shall by such act be deemed to have agreed to conduct the show in strict conformity with these rules and, if called upon by the Executive Board or Judging Program

Chairman to do so, submit a report on the work and conduct of the officiating judge(s) and such other information on the conduct of the show, including a financial report on such form as the CFA Board may prescribe.

- 12.02** The following fees are required for the issuance of a show license:
- club dues and insurance up to and including the year in which the show is to be held;
 - show license and show insurance fee;
 - any other outstanding fees.
- 12.03** No show license shall be denied because the same date has been scheduled by one or more other clubs with the following exceptions:
- No other show within the same region will be licensed on the weekend as a regional show held in conjunction with a region's annual awards ceremony;
 - No show within the International Division will be licensed on the same weekend within 1000 kilometers of another show licensed in the International Division **unless approved by the CFA International Division Chair.**
 - Any show held on a weekend or in a city different from the previous year must have written permission of either the Regional Director for the region (region 1-9) in which the show is planning to be held or from the International Division Chair for International Division shows. Written permission must accompany the show license application. Before granting permission, the Regional Director shall notify all subscribers of the CFA News announcements or a similar CFA-managed email list of such a license request. Clubs wishing to provide comment may do so to their Regional Director within 7 days of the announcement. While the Regional Directors will consider all input, they are not bound by it. This is in addition to any other policy used by the CFA Executive Board to manage the show schedule. This does not apply to shows licensed within the state of Hawaii.
 - Regional Director (RD) and adjoining Regional Director approval is required for any club to obtain a show license with one exception. Clubs that hold a show for two (2) consecutive years on the same weekend (also referred to as date) are considered traditional dates and do not need to seek permission from their Regional Director to license their show each year thereafter. Traditional dates come in two types: fixed, i.e., a specific weekend of the month such as the first, second third or fourth (note – the fifth weekend of a month can never be a traditional date as there are at least two consecutive years where the weekend does not exist); or floating, i.e., tied to an event such as Easter, a national holiday, the last weekend in the show season, etc. In cases where a floating traditional date lands on the weekend of a fixed traditional date in the same region, RD approval is required to license either or both shows. Clubs that do not hold a show for two (2) consecutive years on their traditional date will lose the distinction of having a traditional weekend.
- For clubs that hold a show on a biennial basis, i.e., every other year, their traditional show date will be month, weekend and either odd or even to indicate the year of the show. These clubs will lose the distinction or having a traditional date after a show is not held for two (2) consecutive show dates.
- CFA's Central Office shall maintain a page on the CFA

website listing all traditional dates, including at a minimum the name of the club holding the traditional date and the traditional city and state (and where applicable, country) of the last show.

e. Clubs that hold traditional dates and do not plan to hold a show for one year should let their Regional Director know as soon as possible. The date will be considered “vacant” for the one year only and will become available to the region or other club(s) for a one-time only show date.

With the permission of the Regional Director, another club may hold a one-time only show on the vacant weekend. The club that is approved to hold a show on the vacant date will submit with the show license a letter signed by their President and Secretary acknowledging the show as a one-time only show for that weekend. A copy of the letter will be sent to the Regional Director.

12.04 Application for license should be received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 90 days prior to the opening day of the show on the official form that may be obtained from the Central Office. Applications post-marked with a date less than 90 days from the opening day of the show will incur late filing fees, in addition to the regular show processing and show insurance fees, as specified in the CFA’s current price list.

No license will be granted for shows whose license is received in the Central Office with less than 7 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show.

A club will be considered not in good standing until the late filing fee is paid.

The show secretary of the benching club must submit to the Central Office the following

a. license application for each sponsoring club in duplicate. (Any member club may request any other member club to sponsor one or more of its concurrent rings. In such cases, an additional show license application for each ring sponsor, signed by the sponsoring club’s secretary, is required. A ring sponsor must also be a member in good standing.)

b. ONE executed copy of each judging contract.

c. the show license fee and show insurance fee.

These documents and fees must be submitted as a package, and the Central Office will not issue the license for any show until all the papers have been received in proper order. The office will return copies of the approved license(s).

Applicable late filing fees will apply if a completed application with all judging contracts and show license and insurance fees is received with a postmark of less than 90 days from the opening day of the show.

*Clubs are permitted to schedule one ring for which no judge(s) has been contracted (commonly known as a “to be announced” (TBA) judge). If a club chooses to schedule such a ring, include the initials “TBA” on the show license under the judging information section and the type of ring scheduled for the TBA judge. Completed judges contracts (to include the name and signature of the judge) for any previously scheduled TBA judge(s) must be received in the Central Office no later than 30 days prior to the opening day of the show.

Once a show license is approved by the Central Office,

no change in club sponsorship will be allowed **except the addition of a club or clubs as co-sponsor(s) if requested no later than 30 days prior to the opening date of the show.**

Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in format, including a change in a judge’s assignment (e.g. allbreed to specialty or specialty to allbreed) will be permitted, except in the case of an emergency. An emergency constitutes a situation where one or more contracted judges cannot judge the show as contracted. If as a result of an emergency the club is notified more than 30 days in advance of a judge’s inability to fulfill their contract(s), a revised license application must be sent to the Central Office for approval. The show judges, exhibitors and Regional Director must be notified immediately of any change in format or assigned judges.

In cases of emergency, format changes will be permitted without prior Board approval provided the request is received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 30 days prior to the opening day of the show. The request must include a description of the emergency necessitating the format change. Revised judging contracts must be obtained before the format change request is submitted if a judge’s ring type is being changed.

In cases where the club is notified of the emergency less than 30 days in advance of the show, such as on the day before or day of the show, a change in format/judging assignment must be approved by the CFA Board’s Executive Committee. The club must contact a member of the Executive Committee as soon as the emergency becomes known to the club. Once approved by the Executive Committee, revised judging contracts must be submitted to Central Office with the show package if not submitted earlier if a judge is replaced for the show or a judge’s assignment changes.

A change from a two-day show where all judges and entries are present both days to a back-to-back show or the addition of Household Pet **and/or Veterans** judging, are not considered format changes (see 12.07 b.3.); however, Central Office and all contracted judges must be notified of the change by the club.

If a show scheduled as a two day show is changed to a one day show or a show scheduled as a one day show is changed to a two day show, the judges, exhibitors, Regional Director and Central Office must be notified as soon as possible.

12.05 Any club or Regional Director(s) may sponsor any type or number of rings to be held concurrently provided that a cat or kitten may not be entered in more than ten rings all to be held concurrently. When shows are held of a nature that would permit certain cats or kittens to be eligible for entry in more than ten rings, the show committee may so state on the show **flyer** and entry form in which shows such cats or kittens are to be entered.

12.06 An application for a show license which designates a show hall located in a CFA region other than that to which the applying club is assigned must be submitted to the Executive Board for its determination as to whether a license will be issued. In making this determination the Executive Board will consider:

- a. Other shows scheduled in the area;
- b. Input from the Regional Director of the region affected;

c. Any other relevant facts which may be brought to the Board's attention.

No club holding a show license shall change the location of the designated show hall without approval of the Executive Board if the substituted show hall will be located in a region other than the club's CFA region. The Executive Board may grant blanket permission, to member clubs whose secretary resides within 100 miles from any boundary separating the club's region with another, to hold shows in the adjoining region with such conditions and restrictions as the Board may attach.

12.07 The CFA Central Office will issue a license for the following types of shows:

a. A one day show which permits:

1. one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.
2. a one-day show format consisting of six rings with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.
3. Two six ring, one day shows in the same location (6x6) consisting of six rings held on the first day and six rings held on the second day with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry each day.

b. A two day show which permits up to ten judgments per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of six judgments per entry per day. It is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. Two day shows offer a variety of formats:

1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;
2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;
3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);
4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days.
5. The above #2, #3 and #4 described shows may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.

c. A Best of the Best ring may be added to any format show described above. Participation in the Best of the Best competition shall not be considered a violation of the provisions in Paragraphs 12.05 and 12.07a. and b.

d. The Central Office will also license breed/color specialty rings which limit entries to a certain breed(s)/division(s)/color(s) as either stand alone or concurrent with other Allbreed and/or Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings.

ARTICLE XIII

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW MANAGEMENT

13.01 *It is the policy of CFA to penalize member clubs by suspension or expulsion for shows that exhibit a flagrant disregard of these Show Rules.*

13.02 SHOW MANAGEMENT when used in these rules refers to:

a. The club sponsoring the show or its Executive (governing) Board, or;

b. the Regional Director(s) in the case of a regional show.

13.03 The show management must select a show committee consisting of a show manager, a show secretary, a show entry clerk, and at least two (2) other persons who must be thoroughly familiar with these rules and show procedures. If the show secretary and show entry clerk are the same person, three (3) other persons must be selected to the show committee.

The position of entry clerk must not be a person who shares address, phone number, or any other accessibility of information with any of the contracted judges.

When a show-producing club avails itself of the services of a non-member professional entry clerk/organization, the club should designate one of its own members to serve on the show committee in lieu of the entry clerk. The show license should reflect this while still listing the professional entry clerk/organization.

13.04 Assignment of any duty to one of these individuals does not exempt the show management (sponsoring club) from ultimate responsibility for proper observance of these show rules.

13.05 a. At least one steward shall be engaged for each judging ring.

b. Clerks must be engaged for each judging ring and a master clerk must be engaged to consolidate and check all of the judging records of the show.

c. The position of master clerk must be filled by a currently licensed CFA certified clerk, master clerk or master clerk instructor in the mainland United States, Canada, Region 9, and Japan. Show management for shows in Hawaii and the International Division are strongly urged to fill the position of master clerk by as experienced a clerk as it is possible to obtain. When possible, the position of chief ring clerk should be filled by CFA licensed clerks. Judges may act as master clerks (see paragraph 27.09).

d. The CFA **licensed** certified clerk performing the function of master clerk shall be compensated at the rate of eight (8) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. A CFA master clerk shall be compensated at ten (10) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. It is strongly recommended that for a six ring, one day show a club engage either two licensed master clerks or one licensed master clerk and one certified clerk who is working towards their master clerk license, assisting the licensed master clerk in charge. The minimum compensation for each person working as a master clerk shall be sixty (60) dollars per weekend or forty (40) dollars for a one day show. (A Best of the Bests ring is not considered as an additional ring requiring compensation.) Payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the date a contract is signed. If no contract exists, payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the first day of the show. CFA **licensed** certified clerks performing the chief ring clerk function shall be compensated according to entries as follows:

Under 150 entries	\$30.00 per weekend
151-250 entries	\$45.00 per weekend
251-350 entries	\$60.00 per weekend
351-450 entries	\$75.00 per weekend
1 day shows with 1, 2, 3, 4 rings	\$35.00

225 back to back shows \$40.00 per day

1 day, 6 ring shows \$45.00

NOTE: These are minimal compensations; more can be given per negotiated rate with clerk.

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e. Clerking fees must be paid before the clerk leaves the show hall at the completion of his or her assignment. Payment must be in U.S. currency, unless otherwise agreed in advance.

f. If payment in a foreign currency is involved, a prior agreement and contract between the club and the clerk is recommended.

g. When translators are to be provided to judges in foreign assignments, they may be ring clerks, master clerks, or other show officials. These translators are to only translate as required by the officiating judge and show committee as necessary to perform their duties. Translators are not allowed to make personal comments other than might be necessary to enhance the translation process and must never make comments regarding the judge or exhibits outside the translation activity.

13.06 a. When the contract judge is unable to officiate, the show management should secure the services of a CFA judge authorized to officiate at that type of show. A judging contract must be signed prior to the start of judging, a copy being sent to the Central Office as soon as possible.

b. In the event that a previously contracted judge is unable to officiate and is replaced before the official closing day of a show, the club shall notify all exhibitors whose entries were confirmed prior to the change. The club shall include notification of the substitution on confirmations sent out after the change. An exhibitor may receive a refund of entry fees provided that a written request is sent postmarked on or before the official closing date.

c. In the event that a judge is replaced after the official closing date of the show or an exhibitor does not send a written request for a refund postmarked on or before the official closing date, the club is not responsible for providing a refund of entry fees.

13.07 Should a judge become incapacitated while judging and be incapable of completing the assignment, the show management shall proceed as if the judge had not appeared (see Paragraph 13.06), but awards made prior to that time shall stand. Once having left the ring in favor of the substitute judge, the advertised judge shall not return to that ring. If it is impractical for the club to bring in a substitute judge who is qualified to officiate under these rules, judging in the ring of the incapacitated judge shall cease. A judge who is exhibiting at the show is deemed "not qualified" since such a judge would be in violation of show rules if he/she were to officiate (see 27.01, 27.02, 27.06). Awards made prior to that time shall stand and the club will refund exhibitors by dividing the entry fee in half and then dividing the resulting dividend by the number of judgings scheduled for that show. This final number is the refund.

In the event a judge is incapacitated while judging but is able to proceed if suitable assistance is provided, the clerk for that judge's ring, a master clerk or a member of the show committee may assist the judge in handling. A judge's assignment begins when he/she leaves his/her home or place of work for the assignment.

In the event a judge is incapacitated prior to his/her judging assignment, suitable assistance will not be provided the judge. The judge shall cancel his/her contract. Questions of physical incapacity shall be resolved by a written physician's statement to the show manager or to the CFA Board of Directors, if requested. Judges returning to the ring following surgery or severe illness requiring hospitalization are required to present a letter/form of medical clearance, signed by a physician, to the Judging Program Chair prior to resuming their duties.

A judge is not considered incapacitated in the event he/she is unable to officiate at a show due to travel related problems, e.g. flight delays/cancellations, inclement weather, personal reasons, etc.

13.08 The show management will take all reasonable care of cats, kittens, carriers and other personal property of the exhibitors, but it is expressly stipulated that neither the show management, nor any other club member, nor any show official, nor the club sponsoring or conducting the show shall be liable for any loss or damage to such property.

13.09 The show management is responsible for providing the number of judging rings and judging cages required under these rules. In the event that Household Pets or Veterans are judged by a separate judge, a ring must be provided for his use, and none of the regular officiating judges shall be required to relinquish his ring for the use of the Household Pet or Veteran judge.

13.10 The show management may make such special rules specifying the time when the Household Pet or Veteran entries are required to be in the show room as may be desired, subject to the provision of Paragraph 7.02b. Veterans may be removed from the show room at the completion of the Veteran class judging.

13.11 Number of entries permissible:

a. No club shall accept more than 450 entries to be judged by any one judge over a full two-day period. For shows where the judge will not have a ring or the entries available for more than one day, no club shall accept more than 225 entries. No allowance shall be made for absentees. All one-day Sunday shows MUST start at 9:00 a.m. or earlier if over 200 entries are entered. (Note that if separate shows are held for Non- Championship and Non-Premiership classes in order to comply with this rule, additional judging rings must be provided.)

b. Where, after the show flyer has been printed and distributed, the sponsoring club desires to add an additional judge or judges to judge Kitten, Veteran, AOV, Provisional Breed or Household Pet classes, such a change will not be considered a violation of these rules. If an unadvertised judge is used, it is suggested that Kittens be the last classes to be dropped from the ring of the advertised judge. Such a procedure is not recommended since the CFA Board is of the opinion that judges should officiate as advertised, and the relaxation herein provided is effective because these rules limit the number of entries to be judged by any one judge. In any event, the names of the various judges under contract must be published in the show catalog.

13.12 a. The show management shall determine the amount of the entry fee, which must be at least \$1.00 per ring. A club shall not refuse an entry fee(s) paid in the "coin of the realm."

b. Clubs must maintain all fees as quoted in the show flyer and, except as otherwise provided in these Show Rules, may not charge fees to exhibitors which are not quoted in the show flyer.

- 13.13** Each judge must be paid all money due him for expenses and judging fees in U.S. funds prior to the judge leaving the show room at the completion of his judging. If agreed in writing by the judge and the club, the currency of the country in which the show is held, equivalent to U.S. funds, may be used.
- 13.14** Cats or kittens may not be given away at CFA shows by CFA clubs or individuals; however, cats or kittens may be placed by incorporated humane societies.
- 13.15** No animals other than domestic felines shall be allowed in show halls with the exception of certified assistance animals which may be allowed at the discretion of show management. The show hall is any area through which domestic cats pass, are benched or judged. If applicable, any other animals must be in a room totally separate from the show hall and not be within the sight and scent of cats entered for competition in the show.
- 13.16** Clubs are required to provide hotel accommodations for each judge for the night before the beginning of that judge's judging, the night after the completion of that judge's judging, and for each night in between, if any.
- 13.17** In the event a show is cancelled after licensing or after contracts have been signed for judges, the show management must immediately notify all judges under contract, the Regional Director and the Central Office.
- 13.18** Unsportsmanlike conduct will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

ARTICLE XIV RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW COMMITTEE

- 14.01** Questions about the age of a cat or kitten, or its eligibility to compete in accordance with these rules must be referred to the show committee, which shall investigate the matter. In such cases the class must be judged as though the doubtful exhibit is eligible and one additional award allotted so that the regular list of awards may be made if the doubtful exhibit is disqualified. This rule shall not apply to matters within a judge's discretion, such as color class, condition or merit (see 15.12).
- 14.02** Any entry entered contrary to these rules shall be disqualified by the show committee.
- 14.03** In all cases where an Apprentice or Approval Pending judge is used, or when a Trainee is judging Household Pets, a questionnaire supplied by the Chairman of the Judging Program *must* be filled out and signed by a majority of the show committee and forwarded to the Chairman of the Judging Program within 30 days of the close of the show. **Similarly, if the club contracts a Guest Judge, a Guest Judge Evaluation Form will be completed by the club and mailed to the Judging Program Committee within thirty (30) days of the show.**
- 14.04** The show committee shall receive and act upon any protests received concerning violations of these rules under the provisions of paragraph 10.01.
- 14.05** Acceptance of entries for exhibition or sale (see 2.13).
- 14.06** Rejection of entries (see 2.11).
- 14.07** The show committee may determine in which show rings exhibits may be entered (see 12.05).
- 14.08** All paid promotional and publicity material including posters, flyers, newspaper and television ads used to promote a show licensed by CFA must indicate that the show is a CFA show. Use of the CFA logo will meet this requirement in the print and visual media, a statement that says

"CFA cat show" will cover the requirement for radio.

- 14.09** No smoking is allowed in the areas where cats are benched and where judging is held.
- 14.10** Unsportsmanlike conduct will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.
- 14.11** Suspicions of cats having fleas, ear mites or any contagious or infectious illness reported to the show manager will be referred to the show committee for investigation. It is the duty of the show committee to investigate all allegations to determine if there is sufficient evidence to require the cat or kitten to be removed from the show hall. Information from the complainant, personal observation by one or more of the committee members, and consultation with others of the committee's choosing such as an officiating judge or veterinarian exhibitor shall be taken into consideration, then the determination will be made by a majority vote of the show committee.

ARTICLE XV RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW MANAGER

- 15.01** The show manager is responsible for all aspects of conducting the show in accordance with these rules with the exception of those duties specifically allotted to the show secretary or show entry clerk. As a member of the show committee, he/she is jointly responsible for duties allotted to that committee.
- 15.01.1** Should the show manager permit a cat/kitten whose entry information is not printed in the catalog to compete, the show manager shall provide a written statement of explanation, for the review of the CFA Central Office, which shall determine if the entry was eligible for competition. The show manager's statement and all documents pertaining to his/her decision must be submitted with the show package to the Central Office. Entries deemed not eligible by the Central Office will not receive credit for any award(s) achieved at the show (see paragraph 20.06).
- The show manager must prepare an addendum to include all information for any entry not included in the show catalog, which is to be posted with the master clerk and included with the official show records submitted to the Central Office. A fee, as specified in the CFA's current price list, per addendum will be charged to the club/entry clerk/show service and must be submitted with the show packet. Payment of the non-refundable fee does not guarantee acceptance of an addendum by the Central Office.
- 15.02** The show manager is responsible for making arrangements with exhibitors for removal of cats and kittens as provided in Paragraphs 3.02, 3.03, and 7.02.b.
- 15.03** It is the responsibility of the show manager that the judging begins at the advertised hour.
- All one-day Sunday shows and the Sunday portion of a back-to-back show **MUST** start at 9:00 a.m. or earlier if over 200 entries are entered (see 13.11.a).
- 15.04** The order of judging may be changed **ONLY** at the discretion of the show manager in an emergency. Every possible effort should be made to adhere to the published show schedule.
- 15.05** The show manager must provide suitable utensils and disinfectants for the use of the veterinarians, judges and stewards to clean and disinfect cages and judging sur-

faces. Deodorants cannot be used as substitutes.

- 15.06** The show manager must provide a First Aid Kit which must include a box of latex and/or vinyl gloves. The show manager shall endeavor to provide an adequate industrial type First Aid Kit at the announcer's stand, or when there is no central announcer, at the master clerk's table.

Emergency numbers (ambulance service, police and fire) must be affixed to the top of the First Aid Kit.

- 15.07** The show manager must provide litter sufficient for each entry.

- 15.08** The show manager is responsible for all aspects of the show rings.

a. The show manager must provide illumination most closely simulating daylight (full spectrum light, color temperature 5000-K) as may be reasonably available in each judging ring sufficient to allow thorough examination of each entry.

b. Judging cages in show rings may be placed in a straight row, in a U-shape or in an L-shape.

c. All corners must be at an angle of at least 90 degrees.

d. In U-shaped rings there must be a minimum of six cages between the corners.

e. A minimum of 12 judging cages per ring is required for any ring with less than 150 cats scheduled to be judged on a single day – a minimum of 16 judging cages is required for a ring where 150 or more cats are scheduled to be judged on a single day.

f. In U-shaped rings corner cages must be positioned with a minimum of 12 inches between corners.

g. No cage may be placed so that a cat in one ring can see out the back of its cage into another cage in the ring behind it.

h. A buffer zone must be provided between judging cages and any walkway for spectators.

i. Judging cages must be provided with durable non-porous washable bottoms per unit and non-porous washable partitions between cages. Top and center dividers, when used, must be secured in a fashion that will prevent 'breaking through' to the other side. This requires tying the divider to the front wire in some manner. Plastic 'cable' ties or similar items are recommended. Binder clips, regardless of their size or strength, or the number used, are not acceptable. Partitions must be securely fastened top and bottom. Tops must be securely fastened on all sides.

A sealed, cleanable, sanitary floor/bottom for all judging cage bottoms in the judging ring shall be provided.

Cages in judging rings must be placed on tables or other solid support, which are at least as deep and wide as the cage bases. Collapsible trestles are not acceptable.

j. Judging cages must be provided with doors that swing open horizontally rather than doors that slide up and down.

k. The show manager shall be responsible for all aspects of securing the judging cages to prevent a cat from injuring itself. This includes, but is not limited to, the wiring on the front above the cage door, the top and middle of the cages, protruding nails on the cage bottom and rough metal edges on the cage's sides.

l. Tables and/or bottoms used under benching cages

MUST be covered with paper or plastic.

m. Stacking of cages in the benching area or judging rings is not permitted.

n. Separate judging rings must be provided for each judge officiating on a given day except for rings used only for Non-Championship.

o. Merchandise must not be sold from judging rings.

p. Placement of booths using electrical devices such as engraving machines, drills or saws, in either the benching area or the judging area is prohibited.

- 15.09** The show manager must provide a schedule of judging for each ring in a form readily accessible to all exhibitors, and which shall list each Championship Breed or Division in the order that it shall be judged, from which schedule there should be no deviation with the exception of the provisions of paragraph 15.04.

- 15.10** The show manager *must not* permit caging to be dismantled until all judging has been completed, including the finals.

- 15.11** The show manager should insofar as possible notify each clerk of any entries removed from the show room prior to the start of the finals in his ring.

- 15.12** The show manager is responsible for requesting the immediate removal from the show hall any kittens that appear to be under four months of age, subject to the owner or persons responsible for the kittens producing for review by the show management CFA litter registration certificates which verify that the kittens are at least four months old.

- 15.13** The show manager must provide each ring clerk with a set of numbered cards coinciding with the cats being shown in that ring.

ARTICLE XVI

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW SECRETARY

- 16.01** The show secretary must submit the show license application to the Central Office as outlined in Paragraph 12.04.

- 16.02** Judges' books, entry forms, and copies of the show rules will be sent to the show secretary **or entry clerk, depending on the show license request**, approximately four (4) months prior to the show date. Additional supplies may be ordered at the current fees.

- 16.03** The show secretary must file a copy of the show **flyer** with the Central Office as soon as printed.

- 16.04** The show secretary must send a copy of the show **flyer** to the officiating judges and the Regional Director.

- 16.05** The show secretary must advise the officiating judges of the accommodations that have been made for them and the available ground transportation between airport, show room, and hotel.

- 16.05.1** Prior to the show, the show secretary MUST provide the officiating judges with an emergency telephone and/or cell phone number of a show committee member to enable them to reach a committee member during show hours and the day previous to the start of the show.

- 16.05.2** Prior to the show, the show secretary MUST provide the Central Office with an emergency telephone and/or cell phone number of a show committee member to enable them to reach a committee member during show hours and the day previous to the start of the show.

- 16.06** **Moved to Paragraph 17.08.**

|| 16.06.1 Moved to Paragraph 17.09.

|| 16.06.2 The show secretary shall provide each ring clerk with one catalog to be marked for the judge. In addition, the ring clerks and trainee clerks may wish to record a second fully marked catalog for their own usage. The show secretary shall provide a second catalog to a ring clerk or trainee if requested.

16.07 In a show without veterinarian inspection, the show secretary or a designated representative shall mark all those entries that are absent, the remaining cats are therefore considered benched.

16.08 Moved to Paragraph 17.10

|| 16.09 Moved to Paragraph 18.20

|| 16.10 The show secretary MUST send the following to the Central Office by EXPRESS MAIL Next Day Service (Not Priority Mail which is not an overnight service), UPS OVERNIGHT, FEDERAL EXPRESS or an equivalent overnight service, on the first (1st) business day after the close of the show. This must arrive at the delivering service prior to the time such service requires for delivery to arrive at CFA Central Office the next day (the second [2nd] business day after the close of the show). Central Office may impose upon the club a fine, as listed in the CFA's current price list, for the untimely receipt of show packages.

a. one catalog completely marked for all rings and signed by the master clerk. If an "NCR" catalog (see 18.17) has been marked, also a blank, official show catalog;

b. a complete set of judges' color class sheets and finals sheets for each ring;

c. a copy of the transfer and absentee list including competitive transfers after the first day of a two day show;

d. a complete list of exhibitors' names and addresses and entry numbers if not included in the catalog. This does not apply to Veteran Class and Household Pet exhibitors;

e. the original copies of the catalog correction request forms submitted to the master clerk;

f. those official entry forms (or printed copies of an email entry and the sender's email address information) that relate to verifications of catalog corrections made by the master clerk according to paragraph 18.11;

g. official championship/premiership claim forms, if any, filled out and submitted to the master clerk at the show with the appropriate fee;

h. the electronic show information (in an electronic format acceptable by the Central Office) containing show entry information (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet), unless the file has been sent directly to Central Office by the Show Entry Clerk or Show Secretary. A processing fee, as specified in the CFA's current price list, is payable by the club to CFA if a properly prepared diskette or approved format electronic file is not provided to the Central Office in conjunction with the show records used for scoring;

i. show information sheet;

j. completed "Unofficial Count" form; and.

k. the show entry surcharge fee of \$2.00 per catalog entry (including HHP). Shows held in the International Division, Canada and Hawaii will include a show entry surcharge fee of \$1.00 per catalog entry (including HHP).

I. For those cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application form, associated pedigree, and appropriate fees submitted for said cats.

|| 16.11 Deleted in its entirety.

16.12 The show secretary must retain in club records for one year the original entry forms with the exception of official entry forms sent to the Central Office for verification of a correction made by the master clerk because of a typographical error (see paragraph 18.11). The Central Office may request that a form(s) be submitted as verification of a valid entry.

ARTICLE XVII

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW ENTRY CLERK

17.01 The show entry clerk shall distribute a show flyer and official CFA entry forms or facsimiles thereof to prospective exhibitors.

17.02 The entry clerk shall be responsible for reviewing each entry form received to verify that all necessary information is included. The entry clerk is prohibited from accepting Championship (unless the entry is for a Novice), Premiership (unless the entry is for a Novice), Provisional (kittens or adults) and AOV entries (kittens or adults) whose entry form does not contain a registration number. In the case of cats requesting a temporary registration number, the entry clerk will contact Central Office and obtain the number for inclusion in the show catalog and complete, if not already completed by the owner, an application for temporary registration number that will be attached to the pedigree. The cat's pedigree, (or CFA registration numbers if allowed by rule 1.24), application form, and associated registration fee must be provided no later than the close of check-in for the show or the cat will be entered as a novice. If a fully completed TRN package is received by the entry clerk between entry closing and the close of check-in, the entry clerk will put the number in the Master Clerk catalog and transfer the cat out of Novice in that catalog and the judges books. It is acceptable to use the absentee/transfer form to transfer the cat in the judges' books.

17.03 The entry clerk should advise exhibitors attempting to supply a kitten's registration number after entry has been made, that it is the exhibitor's responsibility, upon arrival at the show, to confirm that the registration number has been printed in the catalog; and, if the registration number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide the registration number to the master clerk at the show using a catalog correction request form.

17.04 a. The show entry clerk must acknowledge receipt of all entries within 15 days of receipt. The entry confirmation must include the name of the club sponsoring the show.

b. In confirming an entry, the entry clerk shall at least provide the full name of the entry or entries. It is preferable that the confirmation provide a complete listing of the entry as it will appear in the catalog.

c. When the show entry limit(s) have been reached or when the entry has arrived after the closing date or when the entry is not accepted for any other reason, a note of explanation must accompany the entry being returned to the exhibitor.

d. An entry clerk may not refuse an entry without just cause. If an entry is improperly refused a protest may be filed against the entry clerk, the club and any show official involved in the refusal. In a protest for failure or refusal to accept an entry received on time (before closing date and before the show fills) the burden of proof shall be on the accused to show that the refusal is justified.

e. The entry confirmation, whether it be in the form of email, fax or regular mail, must be accompanied by a show flyer or link to a web-page containing the show flyer for emailed confirmations, and driving directions from nearby major highways to the show hall.

17.05 The show entry clerk must enter a cat or kitten in the breed and color class indicated on the entry form regardless of the cat's registration number.

17.06 The show entry clerk must pass on to the show management all information received regarding benching requests for reasonable accommodation by handicapped disabled exhibitors. In addition to the benching area, exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices can also request end of row benching in judging rings.

17.07 It is the entry clerk's responsibility to ensure the entries are listed in all catalogs and judges' pages in the correct order and class as appropriate to comply with rules 1.19 b, c and 17.09 regardless of the capabilities of any entry clerk software used.

17.08 The show entry clerk or a designated representative is responsible for preparing the judges' books, including those for judging Best of the Bests competitions, which shall be in numerical, but not necessarily sequential catalog order. A minimum of two (2) lines must be left between color classes. The color class number, age (indicated in years and months) and the class for each entry must appear in the judges' books. At least two (2) spaces should be left between each class (Champion and Grand Champion) to allow for transfers. Opens shall be listed as champions or premiers in the judge's book, as applicable. Champions and opens competing as champions shall be listed within each color class in sequence by age, youngest to oldest. Premiers and opens competing as premiers shall be listed within each color class in sequence by age, youngest to oldest. When a color class includes entries of more than one color/tabby pattern, the exact color/tabby pattern indicated on the entry form must be entered in the judges' books unless the breed is Sphynx, in which case no color or tabby pattern will be listed in the judges' book. At the end of each breed, the show entry clerk shall type a form for the following awards: Best of Breed/Division, Second Best of Breed/Division for Kittens, Championship and Premiership, and where necessary, Best Champion/Premier of Breed/Division.

At the end of the Veterans Class, the show entry clerk shall type a form for Best through Fifth Best Cat and, if applicable, Sixth through Tenth Best Cat.

17.09 The show entry clerk or designated representative is responsible for creating a computerized file in a format specified by the Central Office which contains complete information as required on the show entry form for all

cats/kittens entered in the show (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet). A processing fee, as specified in the CFA's current price list, is payable by the club to CFA if a properly prepared diskette or approved format electronic file is not provided to the Central Office in conjunction with the show records used for scoring.

17.10 After benching, the show entry clerk or a designated representative must prepare and deliver to each ring and master clerk a list of catalog numbers of entries that are absent, transferred or withdrawn. Should an entry be withdrawn, the entry will be marked absent. In addition, a list must be prepared and delivered to each ring of the catalog numbers of entries of exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices who have requested end of row benching in judging rings.

ARTICLE XVIII RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLERKS

18.01 The chief ring clerk of each ring shall function as the executive assistant of the officiating judge.

The chief ring clerk of each ring shall supervise the ring stewards.

The chief ring clerk shall bench entries of exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices in end of row cages, when requested by such exhibitors. Should the exhibitors have multiple entries in the same color class, division or breed, the entries shall be benched as close to the end in judging rings as possible.

Adult whole males or neuters, including Household Pets, must not be placed in adjoining cages at any time. For the purposes of this rule, two corner cages at a 90 degree or greater angle to each other are considered to be adjoining cages. When benching cats or kittens in the judging ring, clerks will, where possible, attempt to accommodate reasonable requests made by exhibitors.

18.02 No smoking is allowed in the areas where cats are benched and where judging is held.

18.03 The chief ring clerk shall provide a fully marked catalog to the judge for his ring at the close of the show.

18.04 The chief ring clerk shall mark a catalog as the ribbons and rosettes are placed on the cages, indicating 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Best/Second Best of Color Class, Best/Second Best of Breed/Division, Best Champion/Best Premier of Breed/Division, Merit Awards for HHP (mark M in judge's book/catalog) and Veterans (mark V in judge's book/catalog) and all Finals awards. All absentees and transfers including competitive transfers after the first day of a two day show must be clearly marked. The chief ring clerk must NEVER mark his catalog using the judge's color class sheets. (No winners ribbons.)

18.05 No one shall remove the cat's number or award from the judging cage until the entry has been removed from the judging cage. If a final is immediately following the class judging due to the small number of entries, then with the judge's permission, the ring clerk may remove the awards after verifying that they have all been recorded.

18.06 When a cat is judged but receives less than third place in a class, the chief ring clerk shall clearly mark in the judge's copy of the catalog a dash (—) in the area where an award would have been placed. This indicates the cat was handled and judged but received less than third in its class.

18.07 When an award is withheld by the officiating judge under the provisions of Paragraphs 28.15, 28.16 and 28.17, the chief ring clerk shall clearly mark in the judge's copy of the ring catalog the reason: i.e., "Wrong Color" (WC), "No Award-Condition" (NA/Cond.), "No Award-Insufficient Merit" (NA/ IM), "Disqualify-Undescended Testicle(s)" (DISQ-UT) or "Disqualify-All Other Reasons" (DISQ).

18.08 a. The chief ring clerk shall check the judge's color class sheets against the marked catalog and shall advise the judge as soon as prudently practical of any discrepancies.

b. The chief ring clerk shall check and initial the official (white) copy of the judge's color class sheets as each sheet is completed. This copy shall then be turned over to the master clerk.

c. If a judge defers hanging of Divisional/Breed awards for a later time, the color class sheets, showing only those awards which were made, must be checked for accuracy, initialed by the chief ring clerk and forwarded promptly to the master clerk.

d. The chief ring clerk shall check and initial all three copies of the judge's finals sheet before delivering them to the master clerk.

e. The chief ring clerk shall verify titles (NOV, CH, GC, PR, or GP) which the judge has entered on the finals sheets for cats receiving finals awards in the Championship and Premiership classes prior to submitting the sheets to the master clerk.

18.09 The chief ring clerk is responsible for notifying ALL chief ring clerks when the judge in his/her ring disqualifies any cat or kitten that bites or that, in the judge's judgment, is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner.

18.10 The master clerk shall sign the cover of the official CFA catalog or show information sheet and note his current clerking status, his address and telephone number.

18.11 a. The master clerk is authorized to make corrections in the official catalog to entry information that is printed in error and/or to add registration numbers for kittens where not printed in the catalog (see paragraph 11.04). When such a correction is made, the official entry form and the original copy of the catalog correction request form must be sent to the Central Office with the official catalog. Submitting the entry form to Central Office is not required if the catalog correction involves only the addition of a missing kitten registration number or the transfer of a cat from open, champion, or premier to champion, premier, grand champion, or grand premier. In these cases only the original correction form need be submitted to Central Office.

b. The master clerk shall print the corrections and added registration numbers for kittens legibly in red ink in the fully marked catalogs to be submitted to the Central Office and the club, either the official show catalog or the NCR condensed show catalog. When an NCR condensed catalog is used for scoring the show, the master clerk shall make all corrections and registration number additions to the NCR condensed catalog only, and shall not mark any corrections in the blank copy of the official show catalog to be sent to the Central Office.

18.12 The master clerk shall consolidate all judging records into a master catalog. He shall check for completeness and mechanical correctness. Discrepancies shall be reported to the appropriate chief ring clerk for resolution with the judge.

18.13 The master clerk is responsible for initialing and posting the official (white) copies of the color class sheets that have been fully checked. The sheets should be posted in a manner readily accessible to all exhibitors. Once the master clerk has completed checking the color class sheets and has initialed the sheets, the awards can only be changed as follows: If a mechanical error is discovered after the master clerk has initialed the sheets, the error may be corrected by the judge. The judge's written confirmation of the correction must be provided with the show records. The only other method of changing the awards after they have been posted is by action of the CFA board.*

*If a mechanical error is discovered after the close of the show, the Central Office will void the affected win(s).

The proceeding notwithstanding, a mechanical error not discovered until after the master clerk has initialed the sheets may be corrected by the judge. A judge's written confirmation of the correction must be provided with the show records.

18.14 The master clerk is responsible for the safekeeping of the completed official CFA copies of the judges' color class sheets until such copies have been released to the show secretary for transmittal to the Central Office.

18.15 The master clerk is responsible for counting the number of cats and kittens present and competing in the Kitten, Championship, **Veterans, Household Pets**, and Premiership Classes, as well as the number of Champions and Premiers present and competing. He shall have these numbers available for the exhibitors.

18.16 The master clerk will check each judge's finals sheet for mechanical accuracy and sign all three copies before the judge leaves the show hall. The judge's copy of his/her finals sheets should be returned to the judge as promptly as possible, but in any event before the judge leaves the show hall.

18.17 The master clerk shall provide the show secretary with two (2) fully marked catalogs, including all rings, at the close of the show. A marked catalog may consist of either an official show catalog or a condensed show catalog that has been marked. A condensed show catalog contains an entry's name, registration number, color description, entry number, birthdate, region of residence, and owner's name – the sire, dam and breeder are not included. Multi-copy (NCR) paper and forms are available from the Central Office for use in producing multi-copy catalogs. No other forms may be used to produce the color class portion of a marked catalog. One catalog, the official CFA catalog, is to be mailed to the Central Office by the show secretary in accordance with Paragraph 16.10. If an "NCR" catalog is used, a blank, official show catalog must also be sent to the Central Office.

The second catalog is to be retained by the club for appropriate use and file.

18.18.1 The master clerk will accept completed official championship/premiership claim forms. In addition, the master clerk will also accept correction slips that transfer a cat from Open, Champion or Premier to Grand in either the Championship or Premiership classes from the owner/agent. The master clerk will provide the show secretary with a list of the catalog numbers of these transfers.

The master clerk will prepare Championship and Premiership confirmation forms by securely stapling or clipping checks to the claim form. The master clerk is not required to accept cash payment for the confirmation fee.

All confirmations and transfers must be submitted to the Central Office with the show records.

18.19 Upon completion of the show, the master clerk shall assemble, arrange, group and verify the completeness of all show records he is responsible for turning over to the show secretary pursuant to paragraphs 16.10 through 16.12, 18.14, 18.17 and 18.18. The master clerk shall separate multi-part forms and arrange the copies of the master catalogs and forms according to the prescribed distributions into the sets to be sent to the Central Office, to be retained by the show secretary as the club's record, and the master clerk's own set. The assembled and checked sets shall be enclosed in envelopes or otherwise bound and labeled to identify the destination of each set, i.e., "Central Office Copy" and "Club Copy," when turned over to the show secretary. Records sent to Central Office will include the pedigrees submitted for all cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application forms, and the associated fees, stapled together for each associated cat. The master clerk's responsibilities for the show terminate when the assembled sets of show records are turned over to the show secretary.

18.20 Prior to the beginning of judging on the second day of a two day show, the master clerk must deliver to each ring a list of catalog numbers of entries that have been transferred competitively.

ARTICLE XIX SHOW FLYER

19.01 There must be a printed show flyer and it must include the following:

a. The name of the show hall, street address (or nearest cross streets if a numbered street address is unavailable), city, state and postal/zip code.

b. The names of all judges and their assignments (e.g. allbreed or specialty).

c. The specified entry fee(s).

d. **A statement as follows:** "It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry."

e. All claws of all entries must be clipped prior to benching.

f. All Championship, Premiership, and *registered* Kitten entries will be scored for CFA National and Regional awards.

g. The hours of veterinarian inspection or entry presentation to the show secretary, the hour judging will begin, and the advertised hour of closing.

h. For shows with veterinarian inspection a statement that veterinarian inspection prior to benching will be required.

i. Specific climate control facilities that will and will not be provided at the show hall (e.g., heat, fans, air conditioning, etc.) *must* be stated. The term "climate-controlled" or "other climate – controlled system" is NOT to be used as it is confusing and non specific.

j. The size of benching cages.

k. If available, a telephone number within the show hall should be printed in the show flyer and/or confirmation of entry.

l. The CFA logo or statement that this is a CFA licensed show must appear on the first page or panel of the show flyer.

m. The specific closing date and the entry limit(s).

n. **If applicable, special fee or cash-only requirements for fax or email entries, paying at the door, uncollectable checks, etc. (see 11.08a).**

19.02 The show flyer must also identify any special circumstances or unusual problems such as the following:

a. Accurate information on handicapped accessibility, including specific limitations, e.g. lack of ramps, handicap equipped restrooms, etc. Handicapped benching requests shall be accommodated whenever possible, at no extra charge to the exhibitor.

b. Wild animals or hybrid crosses between wild cats and domestic cats that will be on exhibition in conjunction with the show. (See Paragraph 13.15.)

c. Smoking is not permitted where cats are benched or judged (this information must be indicated on the first page).

d. No chairs or only rental chairs for exhibitors.

e. If no food or drink is allowed in the benching area.

f. If benching and/or judging areas cannot be contained so that it can be secured in the case of a "cat loose" situation.

g. Special state regulations that require health certificates or rabies shots.

ARTICLE XX CATALOG

20.01 Show catalogs must not be smaller than 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches.

20.02 The CFA logo or statement that this is a CFA licensed show must appear on the front cover of catalogs of all shows licensed by CFA.

20.03 An official CFA championship claim form or facsimile thereof must be printed or inserted in the show catalog.

20.04 Page numbering: only those catalog pages which contain cats/kittens entered in the show must be numbered.

20.05 The introductory page(s) must contain the following information:

a. the full name of the club or clubs (including all specialty clubs) sponsoring the show;

b. the names of all officiating judges;

c. the names of the show committee, indicating their positions as officials of the show;

d. a notice that all Championship and Premiership entries and all *registered* Kittens (whose registration numbers are printed or written in ink in the catalog) will be scored for CFA National awards and Regional awards; and

e. emergency telephone numbers (ambulance service, police and fire).

20.06 All entries must appear in numerical order (**but not necessarily sequential**) in the printed catalog that is required at shows held under these rules. No addendum to the catalog is permitted except as provided by paragraph 15.01.1.

The catalog shall list entries in their correct breed, color and/or pattern (except Sphynx, which are shown with no color or pattern description listed), and competitive category. It is recognized that occasional transfers will be necessary due to entry error or late change in status; flagrant disregard of this show rule will be subject to disciplinary action. Transfers of competitive status, from Open to Champion or Premier, Champion or Premier to Grand Champion or Grand Premier, filed in accordance with rule 8.05 and 9.05 are valid catalog changes.

- 20.07** The exact registered name of each entry; its CFA registration number (either temporary or permanent), date of birth, sire & dam (including titles) and breeder (if available); and the name and region of residence of the owner—all must be PRINTED in the catalog. The only exception to the requirement for a registration number would be 1) Novices, and 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class. Their registration numbers may be printed or hand written in the catalog or may not exist at the time of the show. Each entry must have a name.
- 20.08** A list of exhibitors' names and addresses with entry numbers may be printed in the catalog. In the event that this cannot be done, a separate complete list of exhibitors' names and addresses with entry numbers MUST be forwarded to the Central Office. This rule does not apply to Veteran Class and Household Pet exhibitors. (See 16.10.d, 16.11.)
- 20.09** CFA titles must not appear in the catalog listing as part of an entry's name.
- 20.10** If the show standard for any breed is printed in the catalog, it must be the exact CFA standard for the breed.
- 20.11** When multiple rings are held concurrently, the catalog must be printed in the following manner:
- a column to record awards must be provided for each ring and be headed with the name or initials of the judge. All award columns must appear to the right of the entry's name;
 - when a cat or kitten is not eligible for entry in a particular ring, "XXX" must be printed in the column for that ring (see Paragraph 2.05);
 - the entry's cage number, its name (in capital letters with no titles indicated) and spaces for its awards must appear on the same line;
 - all headings (name of breed, color class number and color class name) should be centered or printed flush left on the page;
 - the competitive class is not included in the group headings, but is noted below each catalog entry number as in the following example. The following abbreviations should be used: "MISC" for Miscellaneous; "PROV" for Provisional; "AOV" for Any Other Variety; "KIT" for Kitten; "NOV" for Novice; "OPN" for Open; "CH" for Champion; "GRC" for Grand Champion; "PR" for Premier; "GRP" for Grand Premier; "HHP" for Household Pet; "VET" for Veteran Class; "EXH" for Exhibition Only. Example:

SIAMESE

Class 270 – Chocolate Point Male

		AA	BB	CC	DD
JAY'S JOHN BOY 0270-1698	178.	—	—	—	—
3/4/77. Jay's Johnson X	CH				
Jay's Chocolate Lass.					
Br/Ow: Maggie Jones (6)					

- 20.12** If the entry is listed as being for sale on the entry form, this information should be entered in the catalog following the owner's name.
- 20.13** Entries in the catalog should appear in the following order:
- Junior Showmanship.
- Non-Championship: Kittens, AOV kittens following entries for the particular breed. Provisional Breeds separated by breed and by kitten, adults and alters. Miscellaneous breeds (non-competitive) separated by breed.
- Championship: Longhair and Shorthair. AOV entries should appear at the end of the Championship entries for the particular breed.
- Premiership: Longhair and Shorthair. AOV entries should appear at the end of the Premiership entries for the particular breed.
- Non-championship: Household Pets.
- Non-championship: Veteran.
- Exhibition only: Exhibition only cats and kittens should be numbered in the catalog.
- 20.14** Championship, kitten and premiership finals awards must be printed in the catalog. Forms to record championship and premiership breed/division awards may either be printed in the catalog or made available at the master clerk's table. All forms shall conform to an approved CFA format.
- 20.15** When a catalog is not included with entry and is sold separately, a judging schedule must be provided to the exhibitors at no charge.

**ARTICLE XXI
PRIZES AND TROPHIES**

- 21.01** No award shall be offered for which the officiating judge must make a decision in addition to those required for official CFA awards.
- 21.01.1** Clubs that wish to honor a specific breed at their show may ask the judges to hang up to three breed/division awards beyond those that are currently scored by Central Office, that is, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Best of Breed or Division. These additional awards will not be scored by Central Office toward any regional or national awards. Clubs do not have to ask permission from the CFA Board to ask judges to hang up to three additional non-scored breed/division awards.
- 21.02** Prizes specified in the show flyer must be given.
- 21.03** Clubs are not expected nor encouraged to give judges' gifts to the judges that are presiding at a show. However, should they want to either continue the practice or have a practice in place to do so, some suggestions are: donations to the Winn Foundation or the CFA Legislative Fund in the name of each judge, CFA funds or gift cards not to exceed \$50 in value. If clubs give gifts to their judges, they should be providing the same gift or equivalent to all their judges.
- In some cultures, the refusal of a gift may be considered an insult. If this occurs, you should accept the gift on behalf of CFA and consult with the Judging Program chair about how the gift should be treated

ARTICLE XXII FINALS AWARDS

22.01 In Allbreed rings the Championship finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 115, for Championship entries of 115 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion, Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Longhair Champion, and Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Shorthair Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 60, for Premiership entries of 60 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier, Best and 2nd Best Longhair Premier, Best and 2nd Best Shorthair Premier.

Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.

22.02 a. In Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings the Championship finals will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 115, for Championship entries of 115 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 60, for Premiership entries of 60 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier.

Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.

b. In Breed/Division specialty rings the Championship finals will be Best through 10th Best Cat, Best and 2nd Best Champion; the Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten; the Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat, Best and 2nd Best Premier.

Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.

For the purpose of determining the counts listed in a. and b., AOV, Novice, Provisional, Miscellaneous and Veteran class entries will not be counted.

22.03 The only cats or kittens eligible for the Best of the Bests competition shall be those cats or kittens that have received an award of Best, Second Best or Third Best cat (Championship or Premiership) or Best, Second Best or Third Best Kitten, where eight or fewer finals contribute to the Best of the Best. (Top two cats or kittens when nine or more finals contribute to the Best of the Bests.) The judge for the Best of the Bests competition (except Household Pets) must be an Approved Allbreed judge who has not judged any of the concurrent rings. The judge will select the five (5) Best Cats (Championship and Premiership) and five (5) Best Kittens. Participation in the Best of the Bests competition shall not be considered a violation of the provision in paragraph 12.05.

A cat or kitten bred by the Best of the Bests judge is not

eligible for competition in the Best of the Bests judging except in Hawaii or when the Best of the Bests judge is a substitute judge.

ARTICLE XXIII RIBBONS AND ROSETTES

23.01 Rosettes/Awards must carry the name of the club sponsoring the ring, the CFA insignia and the award.

23.02 On all ribbons or rosettes/awards designating prizes to be awarded in the various classes, the following words must appear: First, Second, Third, and the CFA insignia. In the case of a standard Household Pet show, the words "Household Pet Merit Award" and the CFA insignia must appear. In the case of Veterans competing in the show, the words "Veterans Merit Award" and the CFA insignia must appear. (no winners ribbons)

23.03 Permanent ribbon designations, ribbons, or rosettes in the color designated MUST be given for the awards listed below. If more than one type of memorial is listed, any one of the choices may be given. (no winners ribbons)

First Place	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Dark Blue
Second Place	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Red
Third Place	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Yellow
Best of Color Class	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Black
2nd Best of Color Class	Perm/ribbon/rosette	White
Championship Winners	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Red, White & Blue
Premiership Winners	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Red, White & Blue
Best of Breed/Division	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Brown
2nd Best of Breed/Division	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Orange
Best Champ/Prem of Breed/Div	Perm/ribbon/rosette	Purple
Household Pet Merit Award	Ribbon/rosette	Red & White
Veteran Merit Award	Ribbon/rosette	Silver or Gray
Best, 2nd, 3rd AB Champ	Ribbon/rosette/award	Any Color
Best, 2nd, 3rd LH Champ	Ribbon/rosette/award	Any Color
Best, 2nd, 3rd SH Champ	Ribbon/rosette/award	Any Color
Best & 2nd AB Premier	Ribbon/rosette/award	Any Color
Best & 2nd LH Premier	Ribbon/rosette/award	Any Color
Best & 2nd SH Premier	Ribbon/rosette/award	Any Color
Best-10th Best Cat	Rosette/award	Any Color
11th-15th Best Cat (if appl)	Rosette/award	Any Color
Best-10th Best Kitten	Rosette/award	Any Color
11th-15th Best Kitten (if appl)	Rosette/award	Any Color
Best-10th Best Premiership	Rosette/award	Any Color
11th-15th Best Premiership	Rosette/award	Any Color
Best-5th Best HHP	Rosette/award	Any Color
6th-10th Best HHP (if appl)	Rosette/award	Any Color
11th-15th Best HHP (if appl)	Rosette/award	Any Color
Best-5th Best Veteran	Rosette/award	Any Color
6th-10th Best Veterans (if appl)	Rosette/award	Any Color

23.04 Ribbons or rosettes/awards may be offered by CFA clubs and by non-affiliated clubs, by foreign cat associations and corporations/companies, but individuals (other than the officiating judge in their ring only) may not offer them. No award shall be offered for which the officiating judges must make a decision in addition to those required for official CFA awards.

23.04.1 Clubs that wish to honor a specific breed at their show may ask the judges to hang up to three breed/division awards beyond those that are currently scored by Central Office, that is, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Best of Breed or Division. These additional awards will not be scored by Central Office toward any regional or national awards. Clubs do not have to ask permission from the CFA Board to ask judges to hang up to three additional non-scored breed/division awards.

23.05 Awards made at CFA licensed shows may not be made the basis of any award other than those made by CFA, a CFA region or a CFA member club, provided that this

provision shall not be construed to prevent donations of trophies or rosettes by CFA member clubs or non-affiliated clubs or foreign cat associations or other sponsors to the club sponsoring the show.

23.06 Permanent ribbon designations must conform to the following specifications:

a. A 2-inch x 6-inch x 1/16 inch tag using a small hook for hanging, made from standard *3-ply phenolic engraving stock with color on both front and back*. The CFA insignia must be engraved or affixed using black and gold-foil adhesive seals. The specific award name (as permitted in 23.03) must be engraved. Colors must be as specified in show rule 23.03.

b. A 2-inch x 8-inch x 1/16 inch tag, heated and folded at a line two inches from the top to present a face two inches by six inches, with the fold forming a clip for hanging, made from standard *2-ply phenolic engraving stock with color on front*. The CFA insignia may be engraved or affixed using black and gold-foil adhesive. The specific award name (as permitted in 23.03) must be engraved. Colors must be as specified in show rule 23.03.

c. Fabric flat ribbons currently in use may be laminated between pieces of heavy (10-mil), clear plastic using a small hook for hanging. The specific award name (as permitted in 23.03) must be engraved and the CFA insignia must appear. Colors must be as specified in show rule 23.03.

The use of permanent designations must be so stated in the catalog introductory page, and does not preclude the club's responsibility to provide each judging ring with a supply of traditional fabric flat ribbons to be available to those exhibitors entitled to them and who have requested them.

ARTICLE XXIV COLOR CLASSES

24.01 Each Championship or Premiership show must have classes available for each breed and color in Championship or Premiership recognized for the show licensed, subject to the limitation in paragraph 12.07. In addition, classes may be provided for Kittens, AOVs, Veteran, Household Pets, Provisional Breeds, Miscellaneous (non-competitive) and cats placed on exhibition.

24.02 An entry clerk must enter a cat or kitten in the Breed and Color class indicated on the entry form regardless of the cat's registration number. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to enter a cat in the correct color class.

24.03 The list of breeds and colors recognized as entitled to win Championship or Premiership honors appears in Paragraph 32.01.

24.04 For KITTEN CLASSES, the letter "K" should be added to the correct breed or color class number.

For PREMIERSHIP CLASSES, the letter "P" should be added to the correct breed or color class number.

For VETERAN CLASSES, the letter "V" should be added to the correct breed or color class number.

24.05 The VETERAN CLASS is for any male or female, altered or unaltered, not younger than 7 years on the opening day of the show that if the owner chose to, could other-wise be shown in the championship or premiership classes. Veterans are not eligible for any Best-in-Show awards other than what might be awarded to

veterans only. Cats entered in the Veterans Class are eligible only for awards in the Veterans Class. The listings in the catalog should appear at the end of the catalog after all Household Pet listings.

24.06 The AOV (Any Other Variety) class is for any registered cat or registered kitten the ancestry of which entitles it to Championship or Premiership competition, but which does not (colorwise; coatwise; sexwise; as in the case of naturally tailless or naturally partially tailless breeds, tailwise; or earwise in the case of the Scottish Fold) conform to the accepted show standard. The listings in the catalog should appear at the end of the Kitten or Championship or Premiership listings for the breed/division.

24.07 The PROVISIONAL BREED CLASS is for any registered cat or registered kitten of a breed not accepted for Championship competition when CFA has approved a provisional standard for that breed. Cats entered in the Provisional Breed Class are eligible only for awards in the Provisional Breed Class. The listings in the catalog should appear at the end of the non-championship division.

24.08 The MISCELLANEOUS (non-competitive) class is for any registered cat or registered kitten of a breed not accepted for Provisional Breed competition. No awards will be made in the Miscellaneous Class. The first three or four digits of an entry's registration number should be used as the Class number, unless class numbers are specified in Article XXXV.

ARTICLE XXV INVITATIONS TO & ACCEPTANCES BY JUDGES

25.01 A member club must not call upon persons who are not on the CFA judges list for judging engagements without first having secured approval from the Guest Judge Administrator of the Judging Program.

25.02 **a.** Invitations from clubs affiliated with non-CFA cat associations are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program/Board and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approved Specialty, or Approval Pending Allbreed or Specialty judges. Household Pet, 4-H, pet fairs and seminars may be accepted by any licensed CFA judge, who should notify the Judging Program Chairman prior to accepting the invitation.

If a CFA judge who is under contract to officiate at 2, 3 or more consecutive, non-CFA sanctioned shows as a guest judge, has cause to cancel these foreign assignments in response to a change of circumstances domestically (excluding illness or incapacitation) then the judge is allowed to accept a CFA show on any of these same weekends.

b. Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered only by Approved or Approval Pending judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is licensed. Note: Once a judge is approved in one specialty, they may judge the other specialty once licensed as an apprentice.

Judges residing in Region 9 or the International Division may judge in Region 9 or the International Division.

c. Invitations from CFA clubs for non-CFA Judges are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program Committee and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty Judges whose license from an accepted association is on file with the Judging Program Committee. A Judge may only judge the level at which they are licensed.

d. For shows in Regions 1-9, individuals may guest judge

for CFA a maximum of five (5) times per show season and a maximum of two (2) times per club per show season.

e. When possible, it is recommended that Guest Judges officiating at a two day show (6X6 or back to back) be scheduled to judge on the second day to enable CFA judges an opportunity to observe/evaluate the performance of Guest Judges.

25.03 An invitation from a club to a judge MUST indicate if he/she will work one or two days. If the judge will only be working one day, the invitation MUST indicate which day.

25.04 An invitation from any CFA Region club to a judge must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 15 days from the date of receipt.

An invitation from a Region 9 or International Division club must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 35 days from the date of receipt.

25.05 If the judge is willing to accept the invitation, he must send an offer in the form of a signed CFA judging contract in triplicate **or one copy transmitted electronically**, containing a provision that this contract is subject to the judge being an authorized CFA judge on the day of the show. This offer must be dated on the date it is mailed **or transmitted**.

25.06 The first copy of the contract will be sent to the judge. The second copy will be sent to the Central Office with the show license application (see Paragraph 12.04.b). The third copy of the contract will be retained by the club for its files.

25.07 A judge who has mailed **or electronically transmitted** an offer in the form of a signed contract to a club is bound to hold his offer to judge that show open for a period of 15 days from the date of receipt. Unless a signed acceptance in the form of one copy of the contract executed by the club is received by the judge within 15 days, the offer of the judge will be considered to have expired.

25.08 A contract that has been signed by both the judge and an officer of the club is binding on both judge and club. If a club wishes to make minor changes to the contract (format, day change on a back to back), the contract does not need to be rewritten. When agreed upon by both parties, these changes may be made and forwarded to the Central Office by email or fax.

25.09 A binding contract may be abrogated or renegotiated by mutual agreement of the parties thereto. When a contract has been abrogated by a club (i.e. too many judges invited, show cancelled, etc.) and through no action or fault of the judge, the judge may exhibit or accept another assignment for the weekend.

25.10 A judge has an obligation to fulfill a mutually signed contract except in verifiable, extenuating circumstances.

25.11 When a judge has asked to be released from his contract, or declines to renegotiate his contract, a. he may not exhibit, b. he may not accept another judging assignment for another club that weekend.

This does not apply to a judge whose contract has been mutually terminated because of a change in residence, change in format, or a judge who is unable to fulfill his contract for verifiable medical reasons. Permission to exhibit on that weekend must be requested from the Judging Program, and approval is contingent upon fulfilling the requirements of show rule 25.09 or the policies of the Judging Program Committee.

25.12 A judge may not accept two shows at different locations in any one weekend in the United States and Canada.

25.13 For Championship, Kitten, Premiership and Veteran classes, a CFA judge (at least Apprentice) or approved guest judge must be used. For Household Pet classes it is permissible for a club to use a Trainee. Depending on the show location, the number of judges that must be CFA judges at the show are as follows:

Regions 1-9		International Division	
No. of Rings	CFA Judges	No. of Rings	CFA Judges
2-3	2	2-3	2
4-5	3	4-5	3
6	4	6	4
7	5	7	5
8	6	8-9	6
9-10	7	10-11	7
11	8	12	8
12	9		

As used above, 11 or 12 rings constitutes two 5 or more ring shows at the same location on the same weekend, sponsored by one or more clubs.

ARTICLE XXVI JUDGING FEES AND EXPENSES

26.01 Judging fees are as follow:

a. Approved judges will receive \$1.25 per scheduled paid entry with no minimum.

b. Approval Pending judges will receive \$0.80 cents per scheduled entry with no minimum.

c. Apprentice judges will receive \$0.50 cents per scheduled paid entry with no minimum.

d. An Approval Pending Allbreed judge shall be paid as an Approved judge when officiating as a Specialty judge, and shall be paid \$0.90 cents per scheduled paid entry with no minimum when officiating as an Allbreed judge.

e. A judge who officiates at a Household Pet show will be compensated at a rate commensurate with the highest status in either specialty.

f. Trainee judges shall receive no fee but shall be reimbursed for traveling expenses (Paragraph 26.02) when judging Household Pet shows.

g. The fees for Best of the Bests judging are as follows: Kittens—\$20.00, Premiership—\$10.00, Championship—\$60.00, Household Pets—\$10.00. These fees may be negotiated between the club and the judge.

h. All judging fees and expenses shall be paid in United States Funds. If agreed in writing by the judge and the club, the currency of the country in which the show is held, equivalent to U.S. funds, may be used.

26.02 Judges Expenses

a. All judges, irrespective of status, and Trainees used to judge Household Pet Classes will be reimbursed for traveling expenses (transportation, hotel, meals, taxis, transportation to and from the airport, parking fees, and tips) in the amount not to exceed that actually expended.

b. Unless the club specifically agrees otherwise in writing at the time the original contract is signed, transportation costs shall not exceed the following:

1. If driving, mileage at the current IRS approved allowance or the equivalent of Coach Class airfare, whichever is less.

2. If traveling by air, Coach Class airfare. Judges, unless

specifically told in writing not to do so by the contracting club at the time the original contract for the show is signed and returned to the judge by the club, shall attempt to purchase advance fare Coach Class tickets that are generally non-refundable and that are usually substantially lower in cost than regular Coach Class tickets.

c. In the event that the club cancels the show, the club shall be responsible for paying the cost of any non-refundable ticket within thirty (30) days following the date the club is billed. However, under specific conditions as defined by each airline, the judge may be able to apply the cost of the canceled ticket (LESS any penalties as imposed by the airline for said cancellation) toward the purchase of a future flight on that airline. In such case, the judge shall then reimburse the club any amount transferred by the airline towards the purchase of the replacement ticket (this amount is the cost of the original ticket as paid by the club LESS the amount of any penalty assessed by the airline); the reimbursement to the club of the amount transferred to purchase the replacement ticket shall be made within 30 days after the date on which said replacement ticket is used by the judge.

d. In the event that the judge cancels their contract for the show, the judge shall be responsible for paying the cost of the non-refundable ticket LESS any penalties as imposed by the airline for the cancellation; the reimbursement payment to the club shall be made within ninety (90) days following said cancellation. The club shall be responsible for the amount of any penalty fee for cancellation as imposed by the airline; the judge, having reimbursed the club for the difference, may then use the resultant fare balance to apply on any future flight the judge may take on that airline.

e. Judges who are contracted to judge shows outside of their country of residence are required to receive negotiable payment for transportation tickets prior to ticket being issued in advance of the show. Judges failing to follow this procedure will do so at their own risk. CFA WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for reimbursing judges for unpaid tickets. This rule is not applicable for travel between the United States and Canada.

26.03 Clubs are required to provide hotel accommodations for each judge for the night before the beginning of a judge's judging, the night after the completion of a judge's judging, and for each night in between, if any. Should an 'act of God' storm (ice and/or snow) occur which prevents a judge from returning home after the club's responsibility ends, the judge may send an itemized bill of room and meal expenses to the CFA Central Office for reimbursement.

Clubs in Region 9 or the International Division must provide hotel accommodations, if required, for each judge for the period between consecutive weekend shows. If the judge does not stay at the show hotel and travels to other locations during the period of the contracted shows, no more than the cost of the show hotel may be charged by the judge as well as reasonable meals which shall be reimbursed by the club.

26.04 Judging fees and expenses are applicable to any CFA licensed show including Kitten matches, Premiership shows, Veteran Class shows, Household Pet shows or any combination thereof.

26.05 The applicable fee is determined by the status of the judge on the opening day of the show.

26.06 A judge who has moved his place of residence subsequent to the signing of his contract, or who is traveling from a location other than his residence, will not be reimbursed any greater sum for his traveling expenses than would have been applicable at the time the contract was signed by the judge unless agreed upon by the contracting club. The judge must notify the club if he has moved his place of residence as soon as this information is known to him and the club must reply within 15 days of the receipt of the notification as to their decision of whether or not to reimburse that judge the additional travel expense. If the club does not agree to pay the additional expense for travel, it must release the judge from the contract, in which event the judge is free to accept another assignment.

ARTICLE XXVII CONDUCT OF JUDGES

27.01 A judge may not transport, supervise the transporting of or in any way be cognizant by personal act of the entries made at a show at which he/she is to officiate. Judges may not travel to shows with exhibitors whose cats are entered in the show where the judge is to officiate. While it is not encouraged, traveling from airport to hotel/show hall in an exhibitor vehicle shall not be construed as a violation of this rule, provided the show management (having no other option), has made the arrangements for an exhibitor to transport the judge. In this event the exhibitor's entries must be placed in the rear of the vehicle, away from the judge, and covered/screened in such a way to prevent visibility of the entry.

If a judge elects to transport a cat/kitten when he/she leaves for his/her contracted show, before doing so the judge must secure a written agreement signed by both the shipper (breeder/owner) and the purchaser (owner/lessee) certifying that the cat/kitten is not entered in the show the judge is officiating at that weekend. It shall be understood that a judge may decline to transport cats or kittens for anyone.

27.02 a. A judge may not make an entry at a show at which he officiates, but he may enter for exhibition only, provided that this limitation shall not apply to entries by a judge who judges Household Pets or Veterans only.

b. A judge may not judge and exhibit on the same week-end at the same location.

c. An Approved Single Specialty judge may judge one day of a two day show and work color classes on the other day. In such case the catalog for the judge will be retained by the master clerk until the close of the show.

d. A judge may not judge a cat owned or co-owned by a member of his/her immediate family which includes father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, step-children, step-parents, or in-laws. If the family member does not reside with the officiating judge, the cat may be judged in all other rings (see 27.04).

27.03 Anyone participating in the CFA judging program in any capacity may NOT agent cats or kittens or present to the judging ring cats or kittens other than those registered in his/her name as owner, except single-specialty judges and trainees may agent cats of the opposite specialty.

27.04 Entries co-owned by a judge or owned by a member of the judge's household are not eligible for competition in any ring at a show at which that judge is officiating, provided that this restriction shall not apply to the judge who is judging Household Pets or Veterans only.

27.05 A judge should not engage in unnecessary conversations with exhibitors while performing his/her duties.

- 27.06** A judge may not have access to a catalog prior to the completion of all judging duties and the transfer of a completed set of judges' color class sheets and finals sheet to the master clerk. The master clerk shall check the finals sheet for mechanical accuracy and sign it. The judge **MUST** remain in the show hall until these requirements are met, at which time the judge may receive a catalog and leave the show hall. The show committee will make certain that the judge's finals sheet is checked for accuracy as soon as possible following the completion of the judge's finals so that no hardship is placed upon the judge who must often meet the demands of a plane schedule. (See 18.16 and 29.01.)
- 27.07** No judge or trainee shall solicit judging engagements from a club or another judge. No promise or implied promise of securing entries, donation to the club or reduction in judging fees shall be made by any person as an inducement for considering that person to judge a certain show. No judge shall solicit entries for any show at which he/she officiates.
- 27.08** A judge at any show may not officiate or make comments about the exhibits while in any judging ring other than his/her own either prior to taking the stand or after leaving the stand.
- 27.09** A judge shall not serve as clerk for another judge but may serve as master clerk. (See Paragraph 13.05.c) A single specialty judge may clerk for a ring in the category for which he is not licensed. Trainees may serve as clerks in all capacities.
- 27.10** As ambassadors of CFA, it is expected judges, in pursuit of their duties, will dress in an appropriate manner; therefore, member clubs **MAY NOT STIPULATE** a judge's attire.
- 27.11** No smoking is allowed in the areas where cats are benched and where judging is held.
- 27.12** Judges, while on judging assignments, must not sell merchandise of any variety.
- 27.13** An officiating judge is not permitted to perform the duties of master clerk or assistant master clerk.
- 27.14** Unsportsmanlike conduct will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

ARTICLE XXVIII JUDGING PROCEDURES

- 28.01** The judge is in complete charge of his ring. He will make every effort to adhere strictly to the published show schedule. Judges are not encouraged to judge classes in advance of the schedule and must not do so except in an emergency as provided in Paragraph 15.04, with public announcement of any change made to the exhibitors well in advance.
- Class judging takes priority over finals except in cases of an emergency, i.e. a judge is put in a position of missing their plane, and needs cats from another ring(s) to complete their finals. In this case the show manager is to be notified by the judge requesting a change in schedule (see show rule 15.04) so this can be arranged. It will be expected that the judge doing their finals in this situation will do so in a timely manner so not to hold up class judging unduly in the other ring(s).
- 28.02** Judges are not required to discuss entries with exhibitors.
- 28.03** Where a public address system is used, all numbers of all cats and kittens to be carried to each judging ring shall be announced over the system. This includes cats and kittens needed for finals. Only an entry's number with its breed/division and/or competitive category

description may be used to call an entry to the judging ring. Only one call is mandatory. Second and third calls are given as a courtesy.

- 28.04** After the advertised show hours and completion of judging in any competitive class (i.e., Kitten, Champion-ship, Premiership, Veteran, HHP) has been reached, finals numbers must be posted when the judge, out of courtesy, is waiting until the completion of other finals to proceed.
- 28.05** An entry must be present and available for judging when the time for judging each entry is reached. An entry not so presented or available will be marked absent and the class will be judged as if such entry had not been benched. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor or the exhibitor's agent to see that the cat or kitten is presented for judging when the entry number is called the first time.
- 28.06** No one other than the officiating judge, a trainee or as shown in Paragraph 28.07, the owner or his agent, may handle an entry in the judging ring, except as provided for in Paragraph 13.07.
- 28.07** No one other than officials connected with the management of the show will be admitted to the judging ring except when the clerk asks, upon the request of the judge, that the owner or his agent hold an entry.
- 28.08** Exhibitors must not make any comments on exhibits within the judge's hearing or challenge the judge's decision. Any decision based on the judgment of a judge acting under these rules shall be final.
- 28.09** Exhibitors *must not* solicit the opinion of non-officiating judges at any show.
- 28.10** Cats or kittens will not be judged with ribbons on their necks or with other identifying marks other than an optional tattoo (see paragraph 4.11), micro-chipping, or in the case of Household Pets, devices applied to the claws which inhibit the ability of a cat to scratch, i.e. claw covers. (See paragraphs 4.10.01 & 11.11.01.)
- 28.11** Females may be placed in cages between males in any class at the option of the officiating judge, who shall have the sole responsibility for determining in each class whether this shall be done.
- 28.12** Handling.
- a. A judge must handle each cat or kitten in its respective class.
 - b. All cats and kittens must be judged in the judging ring.
 - c. A cat or kitten behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner must be disqualified and dismissed from the ring forthwith by the officiating judge and shall not thereafter be recalled to that ring.
 - d. The decision of the judge whether or not a cat is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner is final and shall not be questioned.
 - e. In the event that a judge is incapacitated but is able to proceed if suitable assistance is provided, the clerk for that judge's ring, a master clerk, or a member of the show committee may assist the judge in handling.
 - f. A judge may not handle more than one exhibit at a time.
 - g. During finals a judge may have in his or her ring only those cats or kittens who are being awarded a final win as listed in Paragraph 28.19. (Exception: a Best of the Best final, special awards given in the Household Pet Class.)

h. All cats called to a judge's ring for finals must be provided with a cage.

Note: judges are instructed that it is the policy of CFA not to take excessive risks or to delay unduly the orderly progression of the show in an effort to handle a cat or kitten that is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner.

28.13 Questions about the age of a cat or kitten, or its eligibility to compete in accordance with these rules, must be referred to the show committee, which shall investigate the matter. In such cases the class must be judged as though the doubtful entry is eligible, and one additional award allotted so that the regular list of awards may be made if the doubtful entry is disqualified. This rule shall not apply to questions regarding illness, nor to matters within a judge's discretion, such as color class, condition or merit.

28.14 Transfers. A judge may, with the consent of the exhibitor, transfer to another color class any Kitten, Championship or Premiership entry wrongly entered, provided that the correct color class has not yet been judged. If a cat is being judged as a color different from the one it was entered, the judge shall indicate the "judged as" color in the judges' book.

A judge may transfer, with the consent of the exhibitor, to AOV any Kitten or Champion entry that, in his opinion, does not conform to the accepted show standard for its breed as described in show rule 1.18.b. A transfer from one breed to another breed is not permitted. (See paragraph 2.04.) **A transfer from one breed to another breed is not permitted unless requested by the exhibitor through the absentee/transfer sheet or directly to the ring clerk (see rules 2.04, 6.05 and 11.18).**

28.15 Wrong Color. A judge shall mark the entry "WC" when, in his/her opinion, an entry has been entered as the wrong color and:

- a.** the color class for the correct color has already been judged, or;
- b.** the color class for the correct color has not yet been judged but the owner refuses permission to transfer.

28.16 Withholding of awards by the judge: a judge must withhold all awards when in his opinion ANY entry lacks sufficient merit or is, apparently, obviously pregnant, suffering from emaciation, malnutrition or showing evidence of neglect.

When awards are withheld from an entry for the above reasons, the judge shall record on the judging color class sheet one or more of the following reasons:

a. No Award - Insufficient Merit" (NA/IM), which shall include overall lack of quality, deviation from the standard, congenital or acquired defects, or;

The Central Office shall record the NA-IM judge opinions on each cat. When three judges have recorded "NA-IM" for any cat deemed to possess overall lack of quality, deviation from the standard, congenital or acquired defects (as stated in 28.16.a above), the cat shall never be eligible for entry at any CFA show, or;

b. No Award - Condition" (NA/Cond.), which shall include obvious pregnancy, malnutrition, evidence of neglect or any lack of quality that is deemed by the judge to be of a temporary nature.

28.17 Disqualified by the judge.

a. The excessive use of white powder, or chalk, or the use of any colored powder, colored chalk, tints, color rinses or other artificial coloring or concealment media on a cat or kitten entered in a CFA show is strictly forbidden. The plucking of buttons or lockets; the use of any device, substance or chemical; e.g. tranquilizer, hormone, anti-histamine, that will alter the natural actions or appearance of a cat or kitten, is forbidden. Evidence of such, as determined by the personal opinion of the judge, will result in the immediate disqualification of the entry.

b. A judge must disqualify any cat or kitten for a defect listed in the "Disqualify" section of the show standards for a particular breed or color.

c. A judge must disqualify any cat or kitten that cannot be judged in the judging ring or that is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner. This rule does not apply to cats after the completion of judging of color classes. (See Paragraphs 28.13.c and 28.13.d)

d. A judge will disqualify any entry entered contrary to these rules, including declawed cats or kittens and adult, whole males that do not have two descended testicles, if such entry has not theretofore been disqualified.

e. When an adult male is disqualified for not having two descended testicles, the judge shall record on the judging color class sheet "DISQ-UT" [undescended testicle(s)]. If the entry is disqualified for any other reason, the judge shall record on the judging color class sheet "DISQ." (disqualified).

f. The Central Office shall record the "DISQ-UT" judges' opinion in an appropriate manner. When three judges have disqualified any adult male cat for lack of having descended testicles, the cat shall never again be eligible for entry at any CFA show except that said cat may be entered and shown in Premiership. (It is highly recommended that any such cat be examined by a veterinarian and surgical procedures as required for neutering be undergone.)

28.18 Voiding of Wins by the judge.

a. A judge must void any win, including any win in the finals, when in his opinion there is no entry with sufficient merit to receive it.

b. When an entry has been removed from the show hall and is not available for the finals, it is ineligible for a finals award. The judge must take one of the following actions:

- 1.** The judge will void the win and leave the position open. The judge should announce that had the absent cat been present, it would have received the appropriate award; or,
- 2.** The judge will void the win, move all lesser placing finalists up one position and select a substitute cat, which is mechanically eligible exclusive of the absent cat, for the last position (tenth, fifth or third, whichever is applicable). The judge should announce that had the absent cat been present, it would have received the appropriate award. The judge's finals sheet will show which cat's win was voided and which cat substituted.

In no case will a judge hang an award on an empty cage.

28.19 The following awards will be made by the judge subject to the provisions of paragraph 28.18. (no winners ribbons)

a. CHAMPIONSHIP WINS	Allbreed	LH or SH Specialty	Best of the Bests	Color/Breed Specialty
Best-5th Best Cat	X	X	X	X
6th-10th Best Cat	X	X		X
11th-15th Best Cat	X*	X*		X*
Best, 2nd, 3rd*** Champion	X	X		X
Best, 2nd, 3rd*** LH Champion	X			
Best, 2nd, 3rd*** SH Champion	X			
Best of Division	X	X		1
2nd Best of Division	X	X		2
Best of Breed**	X	X		1
2nd Best of Breed**	X	X		2
Best of Breed/Division Champion	X	X		3
Best & 2nd Best of Color Class	X	X		X
Championship Winners	X	X		X
First-Third	X	X		X
AOV	4	4		4
Provisional Breed	5	5		5
Miscellaneous Breed	6	6		6

b. PREMIERSHIP WINS	Allbreed	LH or SH Specialty	Best of the Bests	Color/Breed Specialty
Best-5th Best Cat	X	X	X	X
6th-10th Best Cat	X	X		X
11th-15th Best Cat	X*	X*		X*
Best & 2nd Best Premier	X	X		X
Best & 2nd Best LH Premier	X			
Best & 2nd Best SH Premier	X			
Best of Division	X	X		1
2nd Best of Division	X	X		2
Best of Breed**	X	X		1
2nd Best of Breed**	X	X		2
Best of Breed/Division Premier	X	X		3
Best & 2nd Best of Color Class	X	X		X
Premiership Winners	X	X		X
First-Third	X	X		X
AOV	4	4		4
Provisional Breed	5	5		5
Miscellaneous Breed	6	6		6

c. KITTEN WINS	Allbreed	LH or SH Specialty	Best of the Bests	Color/Breed Specialty
Best-5th Best Kitten	X	X	X	X
6th-10th Best Kitten	X	X		X
11th-15th Best Kitten	X*	X*		X*
Best of Division	X	X		1
2nd Best of Division	X	X		2
Best of Breed**	X	X		1
2nd Best of Breed**	X	X		2
Best & 2nd Best of Color Class	X	X		X
First-Third	X	X		X
AOV	4	4		4
Provisional Breed	5	5		5
Miscellaneous Breed	6	6		6

d. VETERAN WINS	Allbreed	LH or SH Specialty	Best of the Bests	Color/Breed Specialty
Best-5th Best Cat	X	X	X	X
6th-10th Best Veteran	X*	X*	X*	X*

*Where applicable

**For breeds not divided into Divisions.

***No 3rd Best Champion, 3rd Best LH Champion or 3rd Best SH Champion awards in Color/Breed Specialty rings.

NOTES:

- 1) Same as Best Cat.
- 2) Same as 2nd Best Cat.
- 3) Same as Best Champion or Best Premier.
- 4) 4) AOVs compete only within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class, and 2nd Best of Color Class, One Color Class per category (i.e., K, C or P), per breed
- 5) Provisional Breeds complete only within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class, and 2nd Best of Color Class, One Color Class per category (i.e., K, C or P), per breed.
- 6) Cats entered in the Miscellaneous (non-competitive) Class shall receive no awards.

28.20 VETERAN CLASS

Awards made in the Veteran Class shall be as follows:

Those individual entries deemed worthy shall receive a Veteran's Merit Award ribbon.

The awards for Veteran Class shall be Best, Second Best, Third Best, Fourth Best, Fifth Best and, if applicable, Sixth through Tenth Best Cat.

If two or more Veteran Rings are held concurrently, a Veteran Best of the Bests competition may be held.

Allbreed judges and double specialty judges may judge Veteran classes as either allbreed or specialty rings. Single specialty judges MUST judge these classes as specialties, and only for the specialty for which they are licensed.

28.21 HOUSEHOLD PETS

Awards made in the Household Pet Class shall be as follows:

Those individual entries deemed worthy shall receive the Household Pet Merit Award, which shall be red and white.

There shall be no distinction between Longhair and Shorthair entries in any Household Pet Show.

There shall be no distinction between Adult Neuters, Adult Spays and Kittens.

The awards for Household Pet Finals shall be Best, Second Best, Third Best, Fourth Best, Fifth Best, and, if desired, Sixth through Tenth Best Cat and, if 45 or more are entered, Eleventh through Fifteenth Best Cat.

When two or more Household Pet rings are held concurrently, a Household Pet Best of the Bests competition may be held.

ALTERNATE HOUSEHOLD PET FORMAT

Stand Alone Household Pets shows may have such classes as show management specifies with the requirement that such classes must not detract from the beauty and dignity nor endanger the health of the exhibit. Judges must be advised of the proposed show format at the time of invitation. The Stand Alone Household Pet judge, who is not judging a Championship ring, must be provided with a separate ring; however, a single specialty judge may judge a single specialty on one day and a Stand Alone Household Pet show on the other day.

28.22 The judge shall make no cup list or trophy list awards not provided in these rules.

28.22.1 Clubs that wish to honor a specific breed at their show may ask the judges to hang up to three breed/division awards beyond those that are currently scored by Central Office, that is, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Best of Breed or Division. These additional awards will not be scored by Central Office toward any regional or national awards. Clubs do not have to ask permission from the CFA Board to ask judges to hang up to three additional non-scored breed/division awards.

28.23 Any decision based on the judgment of a judge acting under these rules shall not be questioned.

**ARTICLE XXIX
JUDGES' RECORDS**

29.01 All judges' color class sheets must be signed by the judge. All judges shall mark the Best and Second Best of Breed or Division as well as Best Champion of Breed or Division and Best Premier of Breed or Division on the judges' color class sheets, if the judge determines these awards at the completion of judging the breed or division. If the breed or division wins are not awarded at the completion of the

breed or division, the judge's sheet will be submitted to the master clerk without the wins marked. All judges must initial all error corrections. All judges' finals sheets must be completed, including the titles for cats receiving finals awards in the Championship and Premiership classes, and signed by the judge at the completion of finals. Judges' color class sheets and finals sheets must be checked and initialed by the chief ring clerk. The official CFA (white) copies of the judges' color class sheets must be checked and initialed by the chief ring clerk and the master clerk. The judges' finals sheets must be checked and signed by the master clerk. The master clerk must immediately post the sheets in a manner readily accessible to all exhibitors. Awards as posted are final and may not be changed except as provided by show rule 18.13.

29.02 A judge shall mark a "dash" (i.e. "-") in the awards column on their color class sheets for any cat judged that does not receive a 1, 2, or 3, except where disqualification or withhold is given by the judge. **The judge will also mark a dash for cats handled in the Miscellaneous class. For cats judged in Household Pet competition, the judge shall mark an "M" for merit for all cats handled and not disqualified. For cats judged in veterans competition, the judge shall mark a "V" for all cats handled and not disqualified.**

29.03 The first complete set of signed judge's color class sheets and finals sheets must be given by the judge to the chief ring clerk at the completion of judging, who will review for accuracy and forward to the Master Clerk.

29.04 The second complete set of signed judge's color class sheets and finals sheets and the judge's copy of the marked catalog must be retained by the judge for at least ninety (90) days.

ARTICLE XXX INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

30.01 Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division.

30.02 a. The **Novice class** is for "listed" (unregistered) cats, of either sex, altered or unaltered, 8 calendar months old or older on the first day of the show whose color and breed is CFA registerable as the breed being shown, including longhair Exotics shown as Persians (see rule 2.04), and who do not have a temporary registration number. The sire and dam of these cats must be printed in the show catalog. Entries that do not meet this requirement are not eligible for entry. Qualifying rings are awarded in the Novice class. Upon the cat's registration with CFA, these will be posted to the cat's record towards its Champion/Premier title.

b. The Open class is for CFA registered cats, with either temporary or permanent registration numbers, of a color accepted for Championship competition, of either sex, 8 calendar months old or older on the opening day of the show, except cats that have completed requirements for Championship confirmation.

When a cat has completed requirements for confirmation, it is ineligible for the Open Class at any subsequent show (see 2.07, 8.05).

c. Opens will compete as Champions or Premiers as described in 1.19 and 1.20.

Article XXXI YOUTH FELINE EDUCATION PROGRAM

CFA recognizes a Youth Feline Education Program, as set forth in the CFA Youth Feline Education Guidelines.

ARTICLE XXXII CHAMPIONSHIP BREEDS/DIVISIONS & COLORS

32.01 The following breeds and colors are recognized as entitled to win Championship or Premiership honors.

(NOTE: Male cats of any of the following colors are never eligible for Kitten, Championship or Premiership

competition, but are eligible for an AOV class as provided in Article XXXIII): Shell Tortoiseshell, Shaded Tortoise-shell, Tortoiseshell Smoke, Shell Blue-Cream, Shaded Blue-Cream, Blue-Cream Smoke, Silver Patched Tabby (Torbie), Blue-Silver Patched Tabby, Brown Patched Tabby (Torbie), Blue Patched Tabby (Torbie), Tortoise-shell, Calico or Dilute Calico, Van Calico or Dilute Van Calico, Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Blue-Cream Smoke & White, Blue-Cream, Tortie Point, Blue-Cream Point.)

LONGHAIR SPECIALTY BREEDS AMERICAN BOBTAIL

	Color Class #	
	Male	Female
LONGHAIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors	5400	5401
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)</i>		
SHORTHAIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors	9400	9401
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)</i>		

AMERICAN CURL

LONGHAIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors	8000	8001
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Other American Curl Colors and patterns.)</i>		
SHORTHAIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors	8050	8051
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Other American Curl Colors and patterns.)</i>		

BIRMAN (Sacred Cat of Burma)

Chocolate Point	0180	0181
Seal Point	0182	0183
Lilac Point	0184	0185
Blue Point	0186	0187
Other Solid Point	2178	2179
<i>(Red, Cream)</i>		
Parti-Color Point	--	2189
<i>(Seal-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Chocolate-Tortie, Lilac-Cream)</i>		
Seal Tabby Point	2152	2153
Chocolate Tabby Point	2154	2155
Blue Tabby Point	2156	2157
All other Tabby Point	2158	2159
<i>(Lilac, Red, Cream, Seal-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Lilac-Cream)</i>		

EXOTIC*

(See Note at End of Exotic Listing)

Blue-Eyed White	7700	7701
Copper-Eyed White	7702	7703
Odd-Eyed White	7704	7705
Blue	7706	7707
Black	7708	7709
Red	7710	7711
Cream	7714	7715
OSSC (Other Solid Colors Class)	7720	7721
<i>(Chocolate or Lilac)</i>		
Chinchilla Silver	7730	7731
Shaded Silver	7732	7733
Chinchilla Golden	7726	7727

Shaded/Smoke & White (including Vans).....	1774	1775	Brown Tabby	0144	0145
<i>(Note: any tortie & white colors or blue-cream & white colors will not have the van pattern. Chinchilla Silver & White, Shaded Silver & White, Chinchilla Blue Silver & White, Shaded Blue Silver & White, Shell Cameo & White, Shaded Cameo & White, Shell Cream & White, Shaded Cream & White, Shell Tortoiseshell & White, Shaded Tortoiseshell & White, Shell Calico, Shaded Calico, Shell Blue-Cream & White, Shaded Blue-Cream & White, Shell Dilute Calico, Shaded Dilute Calico, Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White, Cameo Smoke & White, Cream Smoke & White, Tortie Smoke & White, Blue-Cream Smoke & White, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke)</i>			Brown Mackerel Tabby	0144M	0145M
OMCC (Other Maine Coon Colors)	1796	1797	Brown Patched Tabby (torbie).....	--	1145
<i>(Any other color with the exception of those showing hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the himalayan pattern; the unpatterned agouti on the body [i.e., Abyssinian-type ticked tabby] or these combinations with white.)</i>			<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>		
NORWEGIAN FOREST CAT			Blue Tabby	0152	0153
Brown Tabby & Brown Tabby & White	9044	9045	Blue Mackerel Tabby	0152M	0153M
<i>(classic, mackerel, patched, spotted, ticked)</i>			Blue Patched Tabby (torbie).....	--	1153
All Other Norwegian Forest Cat Colors	9000	9001	<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>		
<i>(All accepted colors (with the exception of Brown Tabby and Brown Tabby & White) as defined in the Show Standards and Other Norwegian Forest Cat colors and patterns.)</i>			Cream Tabby	0154	0155
PERSIAN*			Cream Mackerel Tabby	0154M	0155M
<i>(See Note at End of Persian Listing)</i>			Cameo Tabby	0166	0167
SOLID COLOR DIVISION			Cameo Mackerel Tabby	0166M	0167M
Blue-Eyed White	0100	0101	Cream Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	1354	1355
Copper-Eyed White	0102	0103	Other Tabby Colors (classic, mackerel).....	3100	3101
Odd-Eyed White	0104	0105	<i>(Chocolate Tabby, Chocolate Patched Tabby, Lilac Tabby, Lilac Patched Tabby)</i>		
Blue	0106	0107	PARTI-COLOR DIVISION		
Black	0108	0109	Tortoiseshell	--	0147
Red	0110	0111	Blue-Cream	--	0151
Cream	0114	0115	Other Parti-Colors	--	3059
OSCC (Other Solid Colors Class)	1916	1917	<i>(Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Lilac-Cream)</i>		
<i>(Chocolate or Lilac)</i>			CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION		
SILVER & GOLDEN DIVISION			Calico	--	0149
Chinchilla Silver	0130	0131	<i>(White with Black & Red)</i>		
Shaded Silver	0132	0133	Dilute Calico	--	0119
Blue Chinchilla Silver	0128	0129	<i>(White with Blue & Cream)</i>		
Blue Shaded Silver	0156	0157	Blue & White	1106	1107
Chinchilla Golden	1170	1171	Black & White	1108	1109
Shaded Golden	1172	1173	Red & White	1110	1111
Blue Chinchilla Golden	1074	1075	Cream & White	1114	1115
Blue Shaded Golden	1076	1077	Smoke & White	1112	1113
SMOKE & SHADED DIVISION			<i>(Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White, Cream Smoke & White, Red Smoke & White, Chocolate Smoke & White, Lilac Smoke & White, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke, Chocolate Calico Smoke, Lilac Calico Smoke)</i>		
Shell Cameo	0160	0161	Shaded & White	1420	1421
Shaded Cameo	0162	0163	<i>(Shell Cameo & White, Shell Cream & White, Shell Calico, Shell Dilute Calico, Shell Chocolate Calico, Shell Lilac Calico, Shaded Cameo & White, Shaded Cream & White, Shaded Calico, Shaded Dilute Calico, Shaded Chocolate Calico, Shaded Lilac Calico)</i>		
Shell Cream	1356	1357	Red Tabby & White	1140	1141
Shaded Cream	1358	1359	<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>		
Shell Tortoiseshell	--	1175	Brown Tabby & White	1142	1143
Shaded Tortoiseshell	--	1177	<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>		
Shell Blue-Cream	--	1353	Patched Tabby & White	--	1159
Shaded Blue-Cream	--	1351	<i>(all currently established patched tabby patterns in classic and mackerel with the addition of white.)</i>		
Black Smoke	0134	0135	Other Tabby & White	1192	1193
Blue Smoke	0138	0139	<i>(all currently established tabby patterns, with the exception of red, brown and patched tabby, in classic and mackerel with the addition of white.)</i>		
Cream Smoke	0168	0169	Other Bi-Colors	3390	3391
Red Smoke	0164	0165	<i>(Chocolate Bi-Color, Lilac Bi-Color, Chocolate Calico, Lilac Calico)</i>		
Tortoiseshell Smoke	--	0125	HIMALAYAN DIVISION		
Blue-Cream Smoke	--	1139	Chocolate Point	0170	0171
Other Smoke & Shaded	1080	1081	Seal Point	0172	0173
<i>(Chocolate Smoke, Lilac Smoke, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke, Lilac Cream Smoke)</i>			Lilac Point	0174	0175
TABBY DIVISION			Blue Point	0176	0177
Silver Tabby	0136	0137	Flame Point	0178	0179
Silver Mackerel Tabby	0136M	0137M	Cream Point	0196	0197
Silver Patched Tabby (torbie).....	--	1137	Tortie Point	--	0193
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>			Blue-Cream Point	--	0189
Blue Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	1334	1335	Seal Lynx Point	3252	3253
Blue Silver Patched Tabby (torbie)	--	1337	Blue Lynx Point	3256	3257
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>			Tortie-Lynx Point	--	3247
Red Tabby	0140	0141	Blue Cream-Lynx Point	--	3251
Red Mackerel Tabby	0140M	0141M	Flame Lynx Point	3260	3261
			Cream Lynx Point	3262	3263
			Other Lynx Point	3242	3243
			<i>(Chocolate-Lynx, Lilac-Lynx, Chocolate Tortie-Lynx, Lilac Cream-Lynx)</i>		
			OPCC (Other Pointed Colors Class)	--	3249
			<i>(Chocolate-Tortie or Lilac-Cream)</i>		
			Note: Longhair Exotics that meet Persian color descriptions are eligible to		

compete in Persian color classes. These cats, also referred to as AOV Exotics, are identified by a registration prefix of 7798-7799, 7698-7699 and 7598-7599. A longhair division for Exotics will be created for scoring purposes only and National/regional points accumulated by longhair Exotics shown in Persian color classes will count towards longhair Exotic breed and color class wins, not towards Persian wins.

RAGAMUFFIN

All Championship Colors 9800 9801

RAGDOLL

Seal Point & White 0482 0483

Blue Point & White 0486 0487

All Other Pointed & White Colors 0480 0481

(including lilac, chocolate, all lynx colors, red, cream, tortie and all van colors)

Mitted Point Colors 0460 0461

(All mitted colors including chocolate, seal, lilac, blue, all lynx colors, red, cream and tortie)

Colorpoint Colors 0470 0471

(All pointed colors including chocolate, seal, lilac, blue, all lynx colors, red, cream and tortie)

SIBERIAN

All Championship Colors 3700 3701

(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Any Other Siberian Colors.)

TURKISH ANGORA

White Color Class 1802 1803

(Blue-eyed White, Green-eyed White, Green-Gold Eyed White, Amber-eyed White, Odd-eyed White)

Other Solid Colors Class 1806 1807

(Black, Blue, Cream, Red)

Tabby Color Class 1836 1837

[Blue Tabby, Brown Tabby, Silver Tabby, Blue-Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted, patched), Cream Tabby, Red Tabby, Cameo Tabby, Cream Cameo (cream-silver) Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked)].

Parti-Color & Bi-Color Class 1848 1849

(Black & White, Blue-Cream, Blue & White, Calico, Cream & White, Red & White, Dilute Calico, Tortoiseshell, Tabby & White [brown, silver, blue, blue-silver, red, cream, cameo and cream-cameo in classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and, where applicable, patched]; Smoke & White [black smoke & white, blue smoke & white, cameo smoke (red smoke) & white, cream cameo smoke (cream smoke) and white], Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke)

OTAC (Other Turkish Angora Colors) 1890 1891

(Any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender the Himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white.)

TURKISH VAN

Solid & White 3560 3561

(Black & White, Blue & White, Cream & White, Red & White)

Parti-Color & White -- 3585

(Blue Patched Tabby & White, Brown Patched Tabby & White, Tortoiseshell & White, Dilute Tortoiseshell & White)

Tabby & White 3590 3591

(Blue Tabby & White, Brown Tabby & White, Cream Tabby & White, Red Tabby & White)

All Other Turkish Van Colors 3500 3501

(van pattern only – any other color and white (silver tabby, smokes, etc.) with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting from the Himalayan pattern (point restricted) and colors (chocolate, lilac, etc.).

SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY BREEDS

ABYSSINIAN

Ruddy 0380 0381
 Red 0382 0383
 Blue 0384 0385
 Fawn 0386 0387

AMERICAN SHORTHAIR

Blue-Eyed White 0700 0701
 Gold-Eyed White 0702 0703
 Odd-Eyed White 0704 0705
 Blue 0706 0707
 Black 0708 0709
 Red 0710 0711
 Cream 0714 0715
 Chinchilla Silver 0730 0731
 Shaded Silver 0732 0733
 Black Smoke 0734 0735
 Blue Smoke 0738 0739
 Silver Tabby 0736 0737
 Silver Mackerel Tabby 0736M 0737M
 Silver Patched Tabby (Torbie) -- 0785
 (classic, mackerel)
 Blue-Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel) 7068 7069
 Blue-Silver Patched Tabby -- 7037
 (classic, mackerel)
 Red Tabby 0740 0741
 Red Mackerel Tabby 0740M 0741M
 Brown Tabby 0744 0745
 Brown Mackerel Tabby 0744M 0745M
 Brown Patched Tabby (torbie) -- 0787
 (classic, mackerel)
 Blue Tabby 0752 0753
 Blue Mackerel Tabby 0752M 0753M
 Blue Patched Tabby (torbie) -- 0789
 (classic, mackerel)
 Cream Tabby 0754 0755
 Cream Mackerel Tabby 0754M 0755M
 Shell Cameo 0760 0761
 Shaded Cameo 0762 0763
 Smoke Cameo 0764 0765
 Tortoiseshell Smoke -- 0725
 Cameo Tabby 0766 0767
 Cameo Mackerel Tabby 0766M 0767M
 Cream Cameo Tabby (classic, mackerel) 7066 7067
Ticked Tabby/Ticked Tabby and White (including vans). 7088 7089
(Silver, Brown, Blue, Red, Cream, Blue Silver, Cameo, Cream Cameo ticked tabby colors, including patched patterns, and ticked tabby with white)
 Tabby & White (including Vans) 7072 7073
 (Silver, Brown, Blue, Red, Cameo, Cream [tabby colors in mackerel or classic and, where applicable, patched patterns])
 Smoke & White (including Vans) 7024 7025
 (Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White, Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Shell Cameo & White, Shaded Cameo & White, Smoke Cameo & White)
 Dilute Shaded 0728 0729
 (Blue Chinchilla Silver, Blue Shaded Silver, Cream Shell Cameo, Cream Shaded Cameo, Blue Cream Smoke)
 Bi-Color and Van Bi-Color 0770 0771
 (Red & White, Blue & White, Cream & White, Black & White, Shaded Silver & White, Chinchilla Silver & White, Shaded Calico & White, Dilute Shaded Calico & White, Blue Shaded Silver & White)
 Tortoiseshell -- 0747

Calico and Van Calico	--	0749
<i>Calico (White with Black & Red) or Dilute Calico and Van Dilute Calico (White with Blue & Cream)</i>		
Blue-Cream	--	0751
Shaded Parti-Color	--	0723
<i>(Chinchilla Tortoiseshell, Shaded Tortoiseshell, Dilute Chinchilla Tortoiseshell, Dilute Shaded Tortoiseshell)</i>		

AMERICAN WIREHAIR

All Championship Colors 9900 9901
(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Other Wirehair Colors and patterns with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern or these combinations with white, etc.)

BALINESE BALINESE DIVISION

Chocolate Point	1270	1271
Seal Point	1272	1273
Lilac Point	1274	1275
Blue Point	1276	1277

JAVANESE DIVISION

Solid Color Point	2078	2079
<i>(Cream, Cinnamon, Fawn, Red - including smoke & silver)</i>		
Lynx Point	2054	2055
<i>(Blue, Blue-Cream, Chocolate, Chocolate-Tortie, Cinnamon, Cinnamon-Tortie, Cream, Fawn, Fawn-Cream, Lilac, Lilac-Cream, Red, Seal, Seal-Tortie Point - including smoke & silver)</i>		
Parti-Color Point	--	2047
<i>(Blue-Cream, Chocolate-Tortie, Cinnamon-Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Lilac-Cream, Seal-Tortie Point - including smoke & silver)</i>		

BOMBAY

Black	0410	0411
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BRITISH SHORTHAIR

Solid Color Class	2500	2501
<i>(Black, Blue, Cream, Red, Blue-Eyed White, Gold-Eyed White, Odd-Eyed White)</i>		
Tabby Class (spotted, classic, mackerel)	2536	2537
<i>(Blue Tabby, Brown Tabby, Cream Tabby, Red Tabby, Silver Tabby, Blue Patched Tabby, Brown Patched Tabby and Silver Patched Tabby)</i>		
Parti-Color & Bi-Color Class	2546	2547
<i>(Blue-Cream, Tortoiseshell, Calico, Van Calico, Dilute Calico, Van Dilute Calico, Solid Color and White, Van Solid Color and White, Tabby and White, Van Tabby and White, Patched Tabby and White)</i>		
OBSHC (Other British Shorthair Colors)	2596	2597
<i>(Smoke, Shaded, Shaded Golden and any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white. Eye color: appropriate to the dominant color of the cat.)</i>		

BURMESE

Sable	0400	0401
Champagne	0402	0403
Blue	0404	0405
Platinum	0406	0407

BURMILLA LONGHAIR DIVISION

All Championship Colors 4500 4501
(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)

SHORTHAIR DIVISION

All Championship Colors 5500 5501
(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)

CHARTREUX

Blue	0550	0551
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COLORPOINT SHORTHAIR

Solid Color Point	2278	2279
<i>(Red, Cream)</i>		
Lynx Point	2254	2255
<i>(Blue, Blue-Cream, Chocolate, Chocolate-Tortie, Cream, Lilac, Lilac-Cream, Red, Seal, or Seal-Tortie)</i>		
Parti-Color Point	--	2247
<i>(Blue-Cream, Chocolate-Tortie, Lilac-Cream, or Seal-Tortie)</i>		

IMPORTANT: Effective with Oriental litters born after June 15, 2010, no Oriental litters (shorthair division) that result from a pointed to pointed breeding (i.e. any cross between a pointed Oriental (shorthair division) and Siamese or a Colorpoint Shorthair or a pointed Oriental), will be permitted. Such matings will not be registerable for litters born after June 15, 2010.

CORNISH REX

White	0900	0901
Blue (including Smoke)	0906	0907
Black (including Smoke)	0908	0909
Red (including Smoke)	0910	0911
Cream (including Smoke)	0914	0915
Other Solid Colors (including Smoke)	0920	0921
<i>(lavender, chocolate)</i>		
Chinchilla Silver and Shaded Silver	0930	0931
Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)	0936	0937
Red Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)	0940	0941
Brown Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)	0944	0945
Blue Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)	0952	0953
Cream Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)	0954	0955
Patched Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)	--	0973
<i>(silver, brown, blue)</i>		
Tortoiseshell (Including Smoke, Chocolate)	--	0947
<i>(Tortoiseshell, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke)</i>		
Calico (including Dilute, Smoke and Van)	--	0949
<i>(Patched Tabby & White [classic, mackerel, spotted], Tortoiseshell & White, Blue-Cream & White, Lavender-Cream & White)</i>		
Blue-Cream (including Blue-Cream Smoke,	--	0951
<i>Lavender-Cream Smoke)</i>		
Bi-Color and Van Bi-Color	0960	0961
<i>[All Solid Color and White; All Tabby and White; Smoke (black, blue, chocolate, lavender, red and cream) and White; All Pointed and White]</i>		
Pointed (including lynx point)	0996	0997
ORC (Other Rex Colors)	0990	0991
<i>(Any other color or pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for these color classes. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.)</i>		

DEVON REX

Solid	2902	2903
<i>(White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lavender, Cinnamon, Fawn)</i>		
Tabby	2944	2945
<i>(Any solid, tortie or silver color when combined with any tabby pattern (classic, mackerel, patched, spotted, ticked) excluding tabby and white.)</i>		
Bi-color	2960	2961
<i>(All colors and patterns (except white), with any amount of white in any distribution except lockets.)</i>		
ODRC (Other Devon Rex Colors)	2990	2991
<i>(Any other color or pattern as defined in the Show Standards and Other Devon Rex Colors and patterns.)</i>		

EGYPTIAN MAU

Silver	0842	0843
Bronze	0844	0845
Smoke	0846	0847

EUROPEAN BURMESE

Solid	1500	1501
<i>(Blue, Brown, Chocolate, Cream, Lilac, Red)</i>		
Parti-Color	--	1521
<i>(Blue-Tortie, Brown-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Lilac-Tortie)</i>		

HAVANA BROWN

Brown	0408	0409
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JAPANESE BOBTAIL LONGHAIR DIVISION

Solid Colors	6700	6701
<i>(White, Black, Red, Blue, Cream)</i>		

Black & White	6760	6761
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Red & White/Red Tabby & White/		
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Red Patterned and White	6762	6763
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<i>(red & white areas may have tabby striping or spotting)</i>		
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Other Bi-Colors	6792	6793
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(Blue and White, Cream and White, Brown Tabby/Patterned and White, Blue Tabby/Patterned and White, Cream Tabby/Patterned and White, Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Blue Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Cameo Tabby/Patterned and White, Cream Cameo Tabby/Patterned and White, Black Smoke and White, Blue Smoke and White, Red Smoke (Cameo) and White, Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo) and White.)

Mi-Ke (tri-color)	--	6749
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[black, red, and white (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting)]

Other Mi-Ke (Tri-Color) Colors	--	6719
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(Dilute Mi-ke (blue, cream and white [cream areas may be solid or tabby]); Patterned Mi-ke (areas of brown tabby and areas of red on white [red areas may be solid or tabby]); Dilute Patterned Mi-ke (areas of blue tabby and areas of cream on white [cream areas may be solid or tabby]); Tortoiseshell and White; Blue Cream and white; Silver Patterned Mi-ke (areas of silver tabby and areas of red on white [red areas may be solid or cameo or cameo tabby]); Dilute Silver Patterned Mi-Ke (areas of blue silver tabby and areas of cream on white [cream areas may be cream cameo or cream cameo tabby]); Smoke Mi-ke (black, red and white). Non-white areas have a white undercoat deeply tipped with black or red [red areas may be cameo or cameo tabby]); Dilute Smoke Mi-Ke (blue cream and white. Non-white areas have a white undercoat deeply tipped with blue or cream [cream areas may be cream cameo or cream cameo tabby])

Parti-Colors	--	6747
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(Tortoiseshell, Blue-Cream)

OJBC (Other Japanese Bobtail Colors)	6790	6791
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(Tabby/Patterned colors [Brown, Blue, Red, Cream, Silver, Blue Silver, Cameo, Cream Cameo], Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned colors [Brown Patched, Blue Patched, Silver Patched, Dilute Silver Patched], Other Smoke colors [Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Red Smoke (Cameo), Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo), Tortoiseshell Smoke, Blue-Cream Smoke]. Any other colors or pattern or combination thereof except coloring showing the evidence of hybridization resulting in unpatterned agouti [i.e. Abyssinian coloring] or those colors with white.)

SHORTHAIR DIVISION

Solid Colors	6600	6601
<i>(White, Black, Red, Blue, Cream)</i>		

Black & White	6660	6661
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Red & White/Red Tabby & White/		
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Red Patterned and White	6662	6663
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(red & white areas may have tabby striping or spotting)

Other Bi-Colors	6692	6693
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(Blue and White, Cream and White, Brown Tabby/Patterned and White, Blue Tabby/Patterned and White, Cream Tabby/Patterned and White, Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Blue Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Cameo Tabby/Patterned and White, Cream Cameo Tabby/Patterned and White, Black Smoke and White, Blue Smoke and White, Red Smoke (Cameo) and White, Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo) and White.)

Mi-Ke (tri-color)	--	6649
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[black, red, and white (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting)]

Other Mi-Ke (Tri-Color) Colors	--	6619
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(Dilute Mi-ke (blue, cream and white [cream areas may be solid or tabby]); Patterned Mi-ke (areas of brown tabby and areas of red on white [red areas may be solid or tabby]); Dilute Patterned Mi-ke (areas of blue tabby and areas of cream on white [cream areas may be solid or tabby]); Tortoiseshell and White; Blue Cream and white; Silver Patterned Mi-ke (areas of silver tabby and areas of red on white [red areas may be solid or cameo or cameo tabby]); Dilute Silver Patterned Mi-Ke (areas of blue silver tabby and areas of cream on white [cream areas may be cream cameo or cream cameo tabby]); Smoke Mi-ke (black, red and white). Non-white areas have a white undercoat deeply tipped with black or red [red areas may be cameo or cameo tabby]); Dilute Smoke Mi-Ke (blue cream and white. Non-white areas have a white undercoat deeply tipped with blue or cream [cream areas may be cream cameo or cream cameo tabby])

Parti-Colors	--	6647
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(Tortoiseshell, Blue-Cream)

OJBC (Other Japanese Bobtail Colors)	6690	6691
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(Tabby/Patterned colors [Brown, Blue, Red, Cream, Silver, Blue Silver, Cameo, Cream Cameo], Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned colors [Brown Patched, Blue Patched, Silver Patched, Dilute Silver Patched], Other Smoke colors [Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Red Smoke (Cameo), Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo), Tortoiseshell Smoke, Blue-Cream Smoke]. Any other colors or pattern or combination thereof except coloring showing the evidence of hybridization resulting in unpatterned agouti [i.e. Abyssinian coloring] or those colors with white.)

JAVANESE

(See Balinese)

KORAT

Silver-Tipped Blue	0504	0505
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LAPERM

LONGHAIR DIVISION

All Championship Colors	6000	6001
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(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)

SHORTHAIR DIVISION

All Championship Colors	6300	6301
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(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)

MANX

LONGHAIR DIVISION

Blue-Eyed White	1600	1601
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Copper-Eyed White	1602	1603
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Odd-Eyed White	1604	1605
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Blue	1606	1607
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Black	1608	1609
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Red	1610	1611
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Cream	1614	1615
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Chinchilla Silver	1630	1631
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Shaded Silver	1632	1633
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Black Smoke	1634	1635
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Blue Smoke	1638	1639
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Silver & Blue SilverTabby (includes patched tabbies) ..	1636	1637
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Silver & Blue Silver Mackerel Tabby	1636M	1637M
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(includes patched tabbies)

Red Tabby	1640	1641
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Red Mackerel Tabby	1640M	1641M
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Brown Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	1644	1645
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Brown Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	1644M	1645M
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Blue Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	1652	1653
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Blue Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	1652M	1653M
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Cream Tabby	1654	1655
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Cream Mackerel Tabby	1654M	1655M
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Tortoiseshell	--	1647
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Calico/Tortoiseshell & White	--	1649
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(Calico, Tortoiseshell & White [White with Black & Red], Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream & White [White with Blue & Cream])

Blue-Cream	--	1651	Shaded Class	4332	4333
Bi-Color	1660	1661	(Blue Silver, Chestnut Silver, Cinnamon Silver, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo], Ebony Silver, Fawn Silver, Lavender Silver, Parti-Color Silver, Red Silver [Cameo], Blue, Golden, Chestnut Golden, Cinnamon Golden, Cream Golden, Ebony Golden, Fawn Golden, Lavender Golden, Parti-Color Golden, Red Golden)		
[All recognized Manx solid colors with the addition of white, With the exception of Calico, Dilute Calico, Tortoiseshell & White, Blue Cream & White]			Smoke Class	4334	4335
Tabby & White	1692	1693	(Blue, Red [Cameo], Cream [Dilute Cameo], Chestnut, Cinnamon, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Parti-Color Smoke)		
[All recognized Manx tabby colors and patterns with the Addition of white]			Classic Tabby Class	4336C	4337C
OMC (Other Manx Colors)	1690	1691	(Blue, Blue-Silver, Blue Patched, Blue-Silver Patched, Chestnut, Chestnut-Silver, Chestnut Patched, Chestnut-Silver Patched, Cinnamon, Cinnamon-Silver, Cinnamon Patched, Cinnamon-Silver Patched, Ebony, Ebony-Silver, Ebony Patched, Ebony-Silver Patched, Fawn, Fawn-Silver, Fawn Patched, Fawn-Silver Patched, Lavender, Lavender-Silver Lavender Patched, Lavender-Silver Patched, Red, Red-Silver [Cameo], Cream, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo] in the Classic Tabby Pattern.)		
(Any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white, etc. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for these color classes. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.			Mackerel Tabby Class	4336M	4337M
			(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
SHORTHAIR DIVISION			Spotted Tabby Class	4336S	4337S
Blue-Eyed White	0600	0601	(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Copper-Eyed White	0602	0603	Ticked Tabby Class	4336T	4337T
Odd-Eyed White	0604	0605	(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Blue	0606	0607	Parti-Color Class	--	4347
Black	0608	0609	(Blue-Cream, Chestnut-Tortie, Cinnamon-Tortie, Ebony-Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Lavender-Cream)		
Red	0610	0611	Pointed Color Class	4430	4431
Cream	0614	0615	(Red, Cream, Cinnamon, Fawn, Seal Lynx, Chocolate Lynx, Blue Lynx, Lilac Lynx, Red Lynx, Cream Lynx, Cinnamon Lynx, Fawn Lynx, Seal-Tortie Lynx, Chocolate-Tortie Lynx, Blue-Cream Lynx, Lilac-Cream Lynx, Cinnamon-Tortie Lynx, Fawn-Cream Lynx, Seal-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Lilac-Cream, Cinnamon-Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Shaded, Smoke, and Silver Lynx)		
Chinchilla Silver	0630	0631	Bi-Color Class	4390	4391
Shaded Silver	0632	0633	(All established colors and patterns for parti-colors, shadeds, smokes, solids, tabbies and pointedes with the addition of white.)		
Black Smoke	0634	0635	SHORTHAIR DIVISION		
Blue Smoke	0638	0639	Solid Color Class	2300	2301
Silver & Blue Silver Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	0636	0637	(Blue, Chestnut, Cinnamon, Cream, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Red, White)		
Silver & Blue Silver Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	0636M	0637M	Shaded Class	2332	2333
			(Blue Silver, Chestnut Silver, Cinnamon Silver, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo], Ebony Silver, Fawn Silver, Lavender Silver, Parti-Color Silver, Red Silver [Cameo], Blue, Golden, Chestnut Golden, Cinnamon Golden, Cream Golden, Ebony Golden, Fawn Golden, Lavender Golden, Parti-Color Golden, Red Golden)		
Red Tabby	0640	0641	Smoke Class	2334	2335
Red Mackerel Tabby	0640M	0641M	(Blue, Red [Cameo], Cream [Dilute Cameo], Chestnut, Cinnamon, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Parti-Color Smoke)		
Brown Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	0644	0645	Classic Tabby Class	2336C	2337C
Brown Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	0644M	0645M	(Blue, Blue-Silver, Blue Patched, Blue-Silver Patched, Chestnut, Chestnut-Silver, Chestnut Patched, Chestnut-Silver Patched, Cinnamon, Cinnamon-Silver, Cinnamon Patched, Cinnamon-Silver Patched, Ebony, Ebony-Silver, Ebony Patched, Ebony-Silver Patched, Fawn, Fawn-Silver, Fawn Patched, Fawn-Silver Patched, Lavender, Lavender-Silver Lavender Patched, Lavender-Silver Patched, Red, Red-Silver [Cameo], Cream, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo] in the Classic Tabby Pattern.)		
Blue Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	0652	0653	Mackerel Tabby Class	2336M	2337M
Blue Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies)	0652M	0653M	(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Cream Tabby	0654	0655	Spotted Tabby Class	2336S	2337S
Cream Mackerel Tabby	0654M	0655M	(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Tortoiseshell	--	0647	Ticked Tabby Class	2336T	2337T
Calico/Tortoiseshell & White (Calico, Tortoiseshell & White [White with Black & Red], Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream & White [White with Blue & Cream])	--	0649	(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Blue-Cream	--	0651			
Bi-Color	0660	0661			
[All recognized Manx solid colors with the addition of white, With the exception of Calico, Dilute Calico, Tortoiseshell & White, Blue Cream & White]					
Tabby & White	0692	0693			
[All recognized Manx tabby colors and patterns with the Addition of white]					
OMC (Other Manx Colors)	0690	0691			
(Any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white, etc. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for these color classes. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.					
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Tawny Spotted	0208	0209			
Cinnamon Spotted	0210	0211			
Chocolate Spotted	0216	0217			
Dilute Spotted	0240	0241			
(Blue, Fawn, Lavender)					
Ebony Silver Spotted	0212	0213			
Cinnamon Silver Spotted	0220	0221			
Chocolate Silver Spotted	0226	0227			
Dilute Silver Spotted	0232	0233			
(Blue Silver, Fawn Silver, Lavender Silver)					
ORIENTAL LONGHAIR DIVISION					
Solid Color Class	4300	4301			
(Blue, Chestnut, Cinnamon, Cream, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Red, White)					

(Colorpointed, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), any of these colors with white. Including but not limited to solid or tabby point restricted colors, and pointed and white colors: Black (Seal), Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), Blue, Tortoiseshell, Blue-Cream, Smoke, Dilute Smoke, and all of these colors in lynx pattern. Also, all of these colors with white or colors with lynx pattern and white. Also solid Chocolate and solid Lilac (Lavender) or any colors genetically possible in the breed, such as (but not limited to) Chocolate Mi-ke, Lilac (Lavender Mi-Ke.)

Japanese Bobtail —Shorthair Division	6698	6699
<i>(Colorpointed, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), any of these colors with white. Including but not limited to solid or tabby point restricted colors, and pointed and white colors: Black (Seal), Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), Blue, Tortoiseshell, Blue-Cream, Smoke, Dilute Smoke, and all of these colors in lynx pattern. Also, all of these colors with white or colors with lynx pattern and white. Also solid Chocolate and solid Lilac (Lavender) or any colors genetically possible in the breed, such as (but not limited to) Chocolate Mi-ke, Lilac (Lavender Mi-Ke.)</i>		
Maine Coon	1798	1799
Manx —Longhair Division.....	1698	1699
Manx —Shorthair Division	0698	0699
Ocicat	0248	0249
<i>(Excepting those exhibiting characteristics specifically listed as a disqualifying feature, all non-spotted or non-agouti representatives of the breed to include classic tabby, ticked tabby, solid (with or without ghost markings) and smoke.)</i>		
Persian —Solid Division	0198	0199
Persian —Silver & Golden Division.....	1198	1199
Persian —Smoke & Shaded Division	1394	1395
Persian —Tabby Division.....	1498	1499
Persian —Parti-Color Division.....	1496	1497
Persian —Calico & Bi-Color Division	1396	1397
Persian —Himalayan Division.....	3298	3299
Scottish Fold —Longhair Division	8498	8499
Scottish Fold —Shorthair Division	8898	8899
Selkirk Rex —Longhair Division	5798	5799
Selkirk Rex —Shorthair Division.....	4798	4799
Somali	1398	1399
Tonkinese	2698	2699
Turkish Angora	1898	1899

ARTICLE XXXIV PROVISIONAL BREED

None currently.

ARTICLE XXXV MISCELLANEOUS BREED

The breed(s) listed below, if any, are eligible for entry in this division. Any breed accepted for CFA registration, but not listed below, is also eligible for entry in this division immediately upon its acceptance for registration.

Chinese Li Hua	0510	0511
<i>(Shorthair Specialty Ring)</i>		

ARTICLE XXXVI HOUSEHOLD PETS NUMBERS

Household Pets	0892	0893
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ARTICLE XXXVII NATIONAL/DIVISION/REGIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM

Scoring Procedures/Policies & Awards INTRODUCTION

The Cat Fanciers' Association, inc. Provides a program through which pedigreed cats/kittens compete for awards on a national/

division/regional level. All eligible cats competing in CFA sanctioned shows throughout the world are automatically included in the program.

Awards are based on points accumulated throughout the show season subject to the rules and limitations set forth below. Points are based on official counts of cats competing and wins achieved at each show.

The CFA show season starts with the first weekend in May and ends with the last full weekend in April **per show rule 1.25.**

Important: see information regarding kitten scoring under **SCORING section.**

ELIGIBILITY

1. Championship & Premiership classes - all cats entered and competing in accordance with the show rules.
2. Kitten classes - all kittens entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, **AND** which have been individually registered and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with a fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the kitten to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show (this fee does not include any expedited registration service fee, if applicable). It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the kitten's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied.
3. Cats owned by individuals currently under disciplinary suspension are ineligible to participate in this program.
4. Cats competing in the Veteran classes are ineligible to participate in this program.

SHOW POINTS

Official Show Count

1. For each show, official show counts are determined for each category in which a judge has given finals awards. These categories might include, but are not limited to, allbreed kittens, longhair kittens, shorthair kittens, allbreed championship, longhair championship, shorthair championship, allbreed premiership, longhair premiership, and shorthair premiership.
2. The cats/kittens competing in each show are tallied within their category to establish the official show counts. Novices and AOVs are not counted in the official count.
3. A cat/kitten handled by a judge in one ring is counted as competing in all rings.

Eligible Wins

Points are awarded for the wins listed below.

1. Kitten classes – all finals awards as provided in the current show rules, best and 2nd best of breed/division. Points are awarded for only one win per ring, that which carries the most points.
2. Championship classes – all finals awards as provided in the current show rules, best and 2nd best of breed/division. Points are awarded for only one win per ring, that which carries the most points.
3. Premiership classes – all finals awards as provided in the current show rules, best and 2nd best of breed/division. Points are awarded for only one win per ring, that which carries the most points.

DETERMINATION OF SHOW POINTS

Points are awarded in the following manner based on the wins achieved in each ring and the official show count of cats/kittens in competition.

Eligible Wins

1. Best cat/kitten – one point for each cat/kitten defeated.
2. 2nd Best cat/kitten – 95% of the points awarded to best cat/kitten, 3rd best cat/kitten 90%, 4th best 85%, 5th best 80%, etc.
3. Best of breed/division – one point for each cat defeated within the breed/division.
4. 2nd best of breed/division – 95% of the points awarded to best of breed/division.
5. Points achieved in individual rings are added to determine an entry's total points for the show.

SCORING

At the completion of the show season, a cat/kitten will be credited with the points from its highest 100 individual rings. A kitten will be credited with the points from its highest 40 individual rings earned as a kitten, to be credited in the show year in which its last full weekend of kitten eligibility falls, regardless of the show year in which it begins showing as a kitten.

If a cat is exhibited in shows totaling 100 rings or less (40 rings for kittens) total credited points will be the sum of total points earned.

All points credited must be earned while competing as a particular color. Cats/kittens that have earned points under more than one color description will only receive those points earned under the color description for which they were eligible and last shown (see show rule 2.08).

In order to be eligible for a regional award, a cat/kitten must be shown at least once in the region of final assignment (see regional assignment section).

Breed/Color specialty rings which provide a judging(s) beyond the number of judgments available to other entries will not be scored for National/Division/Regional points.

Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.

AWARDS

The awards presented each year are:

National Awards

- Best—25th Best Cat***: Trophy, Rosette
Best—25th Best Kitten*: Trophy, Rosette
Best—25th Best Cat in Premiership (Alter)*: Trophy, Rosette
Best – 10th Best Cat in Agility*: Rosette
*The title of "National Winner (NW)" is limited to cats receiving the above * awards.
+A minimum of 150 agility points are required for this award and there is no title associated with a national agility award.
Best of Breed/Division**: Trophy, Rosette
**The title of "Breed Winner (BW)" is limited to Championship cats receiving the above award (BEST of Breed/Division).
Second Best of Breed/Division: Trophy, Rosette
Third Best of Breed/Division: Trophy, Rosette
*****Best of Color**: Certificate
*****Second Best of Color**: Certificate
***200 point minimum required for this award.

Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

A cat/kitten is credited for all national points earned under the scoring provisions regardless of any transfers of ownership. The owner(s) of record for the last show in **which a cat earns points** within a competitive category (i.e., kitten, championship, premiership) will be considered the owner for the purposes of any awards.

International Division Awards

International Division Definition: for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is divided into the following geographical areas based on quarantine requirements: Africa and western Asia (including the middle east (minus Israel), Turkey, Iran, India, Maldives, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, etc.); China; Hong Kong; Indonesia; South Korea; Israel; Malaysia/Philippines/Vietnam/Brunei; Singapore; South or Central America, including the Caribbean nations; Thailand; and Taiwan.

International Division

For the above geographical areas, numbers of awards in each area are based on the following formula:

- 5-9 rings sponsored in the area = 1 award;
- 10-30 rings sponsored in an area = 3 awards;
- 31-44 rings sponsored in an area = 5 awards;
- 45-70 rings sponsored in an area = 10 awards;
- >70 rings sponsored in an area = 15 awards.

To be eligible for an award, in the International Division, cats must earn a minimum of the following: 50 points in championship, 30 points in kitten, and 25 points in premiership.

Awards are as follows:

- Best Cat***: Trophy
2nd-15th Best Cat, as appropriate*: Certificate
Best Kitten*: Trophy
2nd-15th Best Kitten, as appropriate*: Certificate
Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy
2nd-15th Best Cat in Premiership, as appropriate*: Certificate

*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.

Hawaii Division Awards

- Best Cat**: Trophy
Best Kitten: Trophy
Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-9 are:

- Best-25th Best Cat***
Best-25th Best Kitten*
Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*
*The title of "Regional Winner (RW)" is limited to cats receiving the above awards.
Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third Best of Breed/Division.

Best of Color; Second Best of Color Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

Note: Regional/Divisional/Hawaii Agility Awards are at the discretion of the Regional Director, but will go no further than 10 deep and any cat earning the award must earn a minimum of 150 agility points for such award.

Regional definition: regions are based on the regions listed in CFA's constitution. To the extent not already provided in the constitution, regional assignments for scoring purposes may be made from time to time by the CFA Executive Board. To date, the CFA Board has ruled that exhibitors whose principal residence is in either Puerto Rico or the Bahamas will be scored in the Southern region.

Each CFA region, as well as Hawaii and the International division presents its own set of awards based on the points a cat receives using the rules outlined in the "Scoring" section, with the following exceptions:

1. All regional awards given in regions 1–7 are based only on points earned in regions 1–7 by exhibitors residing in regions 1–7. Cats may be shown in more than one of these regions and the points earned in shows outside the owner's region of residence will be included in the scoring process. No cat/kitten may receive awards in more than one of these regions.
2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned either in region 8, Taiwan, or Singapore by exhibitors residing in region 8.
3. All awards given in Hawaii or Region 9 are based only on points earned in Hawaii or Region 9 by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
4. Awards given in the International Division are based only on points earned in the International Division with the exception that cats whose residences are in Taiwan or Singapore may earn points in Region 8 as well.
5. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

Regional/Divisional Assignment

IMPORTANT: Although the rules in this section are numbered separately, they should be read and considered as one continuous rule.

1. **Regional assignment is determined separately for each competitive category, i.e. kitten, championship, premier-ship.**
2. a. Region/area of residence is assigned based on the region number listed in the last show in which the cat/kitten was entered and present prior to or on the first full show weekend in January (see #5, 6 & 7). In those cases where the cat/kitten did not earn points, the owner shall notify Central Office of the date and show where the cat/kitten was entered and present within 10 days of the first full show weekend in January.
b. A "split season" kitten is assigned to the region/division which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points as a kitten.
3. The region listed in the catalog must be the site of the residence of the owner or any one of the co-owners. It is not necessary that the region listed in the catalog match the address contained in the official show records.
4. To be eligible for a regional award, a cat/kitten must be shown at least once in the competitive category in the region of final assignment. Exhibiting at the **CFA World Show** or CFA International Cat Show does not satisfy this requirement.
5. No change to the regional assignment of a cat/kitten will be permitted after the first full show weekend in January (see #6, 7 & 8).
6. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the show at which a new region is listed (see #7).
7. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the last show in which the cat earns points prior to the first full show weekend in January (see #6).
8. A cat/kitten whose ownership has changed after the first full show weekend in January may continue to compete and earn points, however, any awards achieved will be received by the owner(s) on CFA records as of the first full show weekend in January. Owner(s) who maintain residences in more than one region must identify by the first full show

weekend in January the region in which the cat/kitten is to be assigned by listing the desired region of residence in the catalog of the last show in which the cat/kitten earns points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January. A cat/kitten whose owners' residence moves from one region to another after the first full show weekend in January will be assigned to the region where its owner(s) maintained a residence as of the first full show weekend in January.

9. A catalog correction may be made at a show to change the region listed in a catalog. The only acceptable proof(s) of a catalog correction are: a) that the master catalog received in the Central Office has been marked to indicate the change, or b) the exhibitor has a properly executed copy of a catalog correction request form.
10. a. A **kitten** is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of either: a) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten, or b) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten prior to and including the first full show weekend in January, whichever show (a or b) occurs first.
b. A "split season" kitten is assigned to the region/division which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points as a kitten.
11. An **adult cat** is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January.
12. Changes in regional assignment are not permitted after the first full show weekend in January for any reason including a transfer of ownership.
13. The regional assignment for any cat/kitten which first scores points within a competitive category at a show occurring after the first full show weekend in January, will be the region listed in the catalog of the first show at which the cat/kitten earns points.

ARTICLE XXXVIII FELINE AGILITY COMPETITION

- 38.01 The purpose of the Feline Agility Competition is to enhance the cat shows by providing a place for the cats to show their athletic ability. They will be judged on speed and accuracy in running the course.
- 38.02 **When offered, it is the club's responsibility to:**
 - a. Provide a setting for feline agility.
 - b. Provide a certified ringmaster (CRM).
 - c. Provide a steward for the ring.
 - d. Provide a table, paper towels and disinfectant.
 - e. Provide lunch for the certified ringmaster.
 - f. To complete the CRM evaluation sheet and send it to the designated person.
- 38.03 **Setup of Enclosure if Agility is offered.**
 - a. The size of the enclosure shall not be smaller than 20'x20' and not larger than 32'x32'. Any combination of these that total 400 to 1024 sq. ft. is allowable.
 - b. The enclosure consists of panels of fence that shall be at least 6 feet high with a slanted top (slanted inward) or a covered top. The mesh shall be strong enough to keep cats in and still be easy to look through.
 - c. Portable flooring that is non-slip must be used in the ring regardless of the existing floor.
 - d. The door shall be in one of the panels of the fence and shall be placed at the most convenient place for access to the ring. The latch shall open from inside and outside the enclosure.

38.04 Setup of Obstacles if Agility is offered.

- a. Standard course. 10 obstacles consisting of:
1. Stairs - one set 3 steps up and 3 steps down with a non-slip surface. Minimum total height is 24".
 2. Tunnels - two 4'-8" long each with a diameter of at least 12".
 3. Hurdles - four with the first bar at 4", second bar at 8", third bar at 10" and 4th bar at 12" measured from floor to top of bar.
 4. Weave Poles - three or four 18" apart.
 5. Hoops - two 12" from floor to bottom of the hoop and approximately 18" in diameter.
- b. Beginner course. Same as standard course except removing hurdles.

38.05 Certified Ringmaster (CRM).

- a. The certified ringmaster is one who has trained and has passed the test provided by the coordinator of ringmasters.
- b. The certified ringmaster is in charge of officiating at the ring and is responsible for the placement of the obstacles.
- c. The CRM officiating shall have an agent showing for him/her if he/she wishes to enter the judging competition. If there is more than one CRM officiating, one of them may leave the ring to show in another class.
- d. The CRM officiating is allowed to compete with his/her cat for exhibition or scores in agility (for Regional/ National) but must not compete for prizes in agility for the show in which he/she is officiating.
- e. No food or treats are permitted in the agility ring at any time.
- f. During the timed run, the handler must not touch the cat.
- g. The CRM shall provide blank CFA Feline Agility Competitor claim forms and sign the completed form certifying that the named feline is qualified for the Agility Competitor (AC) title. In addition, the claim form may also be printed in the show catalog.
- h. The CRM must complete the Agility Sign-In & Score Sheet and deliver it to the master clerk for inclusion in the show package.
- i. The CRM must give the club an evaluation sheet for them to send to the designated person.
- j. Each CRM will complete and pass a test every year to maintain certification. The test will be administered by the CFA coordinator for ringmasters and training.

38.06 Entry.

- a. Entry fees will be determined by show management.
- b. Cats may be pre-entered with the show entry clerk using the CFA feline agility competition form. If the cat is not entered in any other class, it must be pre-entered and a cage provided.
- c. Cats entered during the show by coming to the ring, must sign the sign-in sheet and fill out the entry form.
- d. All entries must be benched. The agility cat may accompany a cat entered in the regular judging and thus be considered benched.
- e. Entries may include pedigreed cats, HHP, and shelter cats.

38.07 Toys.

- a. Laser lights are allowed, but only in the agility enclosure
- b. Any cat toy is acceptable

38.08 Handlers.

- a. A handler is a person who leads the cat through the agility course.
- b. Low heeled shoes are required.
- c. It is the responsibility of the handler to be sure that he/she and the cat are physically able to run the course.

38.09 Scoring.

- a. A maximum time of 4 minutes 30 seconds is allowed per run.
- b. The time of the run will be determined using the number of minutes and seconds for the run rounded to the nearest 100th
- c. The time is started when the cat's first paw touches the first obstacle and ends at the first paw's touching the floor after the last obstacle.
- d. The cat will receive 15 points for each obstacle completed while running counter clock-wise. Bonus points will be added for cats who complete all obstacles in order within the maximum time limit (4 min. 30 sec).
- e. The bonus will be figured by subtracting the cats' actual time from the maximum time allowed and added to the 150 points for completing all obstacles.
- f. The total score will be the best of three runs for any one show. In the event of a tie, the cats involved will be given a run-off to determine the winner.

38.10

- a. Cats competing in CFA Feline Agility and completing the requirements as described in para. c. below, are eligible to confirm their first CFA FAC title and be scored for future titles. Each claimant of an Agility Competitor title must mail to the Central Office or give to the master clerk the official CFA Feline Agility Competitor Claim Form or facsimile thereof signed by the officiating ringmaster before the opening day of the next show in which the cat is benched for CFA Feline Agility, along with the current confirmation fee. *See current price list for applicable fees.*
- b. Only the Agility Competitor (AC) title must be confirmed, the remaining titles will be awarded automatically following the completion of their requirements.
- c. Agility Competitor: (AC) this title is awarded to any cat who completes the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error.
- d. Agility Winner: (AW) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Competitor (AC), and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in at least 2 separate CFA Feline Agility competitions, earning a minimum of 500 Points.
- e. Agility Master: (AM) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Winner (AW) and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in CFA Feline Agility competitions during their competitive career, earning a minimum of 2000 points.
- f. Agility Grand Master: (AG) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Master (AM) and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in CFA Feline Agility competitions during their competitive career, earning a minimum of 4000 points.

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