**RULES OF REGISTRATION**  
(Revised 02/21)

**BREED NAME:**  
BURMESE

**ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS:**

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**BREED CODES:**

- 03 - sable
- 29 – dilute and dilute carrier

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

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**REGISTER AS AOV:**

- None

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

- Longhair
- Any non-CFA colors

**SIGNIFICANT ACCEPTANCE DATES:**

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**BCS CODE SERIES:**

- 0400 Series – All colors
- 1400 – dilute and dilute carrier  
  Eff 05/10: Do not use 1400 going fwd

**REGISTRATION PREFIXES COLORS:**

[https://cfa.org/breeds/color-prefix-chart/#burmese](https://cfa.org/breeds/color-prefix-chart/#burmese)
OUTCROSS POLICIES:

CFA Burmese Breed Council: Out-Cross To Bombay Policy
The Burmese breed may out-cross to the sable Bombay for the time period beginning January 1, 2021 and extending through December 31, 2023. Offspring of these breedings whose coat color is one of the approved Burmese colors may be registered as Burmese.

General Requirements:
1. The Bombay parent must be registered in CFA with prefix 0412/0413.

Checklist: 106
☐ - A CFA litter application is provided.
☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
☐ - A CFA registration number with 0412/0413 is provided for the Bombay parent.

CFA Burmese Breed Council: Out-Cross To Tonkinese Policy

General Requirements for Registering/Recording Offspring from Burmese bred to Tonkinese:
A Burmese cat may be bred to any CFA registered Tonkinese of the four accepted colors (natural, blue, champagne platinum) and any pattern (solid, mink, pointed) to produce offspring that may be used in a Burmese breeding program. The exception is Honey Mink prefix numbers 2604/2605 and Tonkinese registered as AOV prefix numbers 2698/2699. Either the Tonkinese parent is DNA tested as solid (c^b c^b) or the offspring are tested for pattern. Only those kittens produced by a solid Tonkinese X Burmese mating or those kittens testing c^b c^b from a mink Tonkinese X Burmese mating may be registered as a Burmese. Kittens from a mink Tonkinese X Burmese mating that do not test as solid and all kittens from a pointed Tonkinese X Burmese mating must be listed in the Cats Ancestral Tracking registry. These cats may then be used for breeding in the same way as a mink Tonkinese with the same requirements for registration of offspring.

For reference-this table shows example of registrations of Tonkinese X Burmese breedings

| Tonkinese parent c^b c^b Solid (DNA tested) | All kittens would be c^b c^b and may be registered as Burmese |
| Tonkinese parent mink | Kittens may test c^b c^b and be registered as Burmese or may test c^b c^s and be listed in CATS registry. The latter will be treated the same as a mink Tonkinese for future breedings |
| Tonkinese parent pointed | All kittens will be c^b c^s. They will be listed in the CATS registry and will be treated as mink Tonkinese for future breedings |

Checklist: 164
☐ - A CFA litter application is provided.
☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Tonkinese parent.
- If the Tonkinese parent is solid with registration prefix numbers 2620/21, 2622/23, 2626/27, 2628/29 a DNA test must be attached confirming the parent is c^b c^b
- If the Tonkinese parent is mink with registration prefix numbers 2600/2601, 2602/03 2606/07, 2608/09 or is listed in the CATS registry as F1 Burmese outcross a DNA test is attached for each kitten to be registered as Burmese confirming c^b c^b. Any other kittens in the litter would be listed in the CATS registry as F1 Burmese outcross. Tonkinese with prefix number 2604/05 honey mink or AOV Tonkinese with prefix number 2698/2699 may NOT be used in a Burmese breeding program.
- If the Tonkinese parent is pointed with registration prefix numbers 2630/31, 2632/33, 2636/37, 2638/39 the offspring will all be listed in the CATS registry as F1 Burmese outcross.
CFA Burmese Breed Council: Out-Cross To Imported Southeast Asian Cats and Foundation Burmese Policy (Accepted January 1, 2011 and amended February 2013)

The Burmese breed may out-cross to qualified imported cats from Southeast Asia for the time period beginning January 1, 2011 until rescinded by the CFA Board of Directors. Imported cats that meet the requirements may be recorded in the CATS database as a Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese. Solid patterned offspring of these breedings that comply with the required genetic testing for color may be registered as Burmese. Offspring that do not comply with the required color testing may be recorded in the CATS database as Foundation Burmese.

General Requirements for Imported Southeast Asian Cats:
1. The imported cat must have one of the allowed Burmese coat colors (Sable, Champagne, Blue or Platinum) or Black and have a solid, mink or pointed pattern (non-agouti).
2. The imported cat must have a microchip and the microchip number must be present on all paperwork and photographs. The microchip should be implanted prior to importation if possible, but must be completed prior to submitting a request for recording in the CATS database.
3. Genetic test results marked with the cat’s micro-chip number must be included demonstrating the cat complies with the following results:
   - Gangliosidosis 2 – Burmese – Test Negative
   - Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency – Test Negative
   - Hypokalemia – Test Negative
   - Longhair – Test Negative for all 4 variants
   - Blood Type – Test as type A
   - Agouti – Test as non-agouti (aa)
   - Cinnamon coat color – Test Negative for (bl)
4. High-resolution photographs (1800 x 1200 pixels minimum or 4 x 6 inch printed photos showing good detail of the cat) must be provided showing the front (head and chest), left and right (full body) and the underside (full body) of the cat. Electronic photographs must have the cat’s name and microchip number included in the file name. Example: “Mod Darn MC 900 0 12345678901.jpg”. Physical photographs must have the cat’s name and microchip number clearly written on the back.
5. The imported cat must originate from one of the following countries: Myanmar (Burma), Thailand, Viet Nam, Cambodia, Laos or Malaysia.
6. Paperwork to provide proof of country of origin should include as available: An airbill, an airline ticket or government travel papers, veterinary records from the country of origin referencing the microchip number, etc. Any breeder provided paperwork should also be included. Copies of these documents shall be acceptable rather than originals.
7. An international health certificate must be provided.

Checklist for Imported Southeast Asian Cats:
- The required genetic test report with the required results has been provided.
- High-resolution photographs (physical or electronic) have been provided.
- The cat meets the coat pattern and color requirements (no white spotting or gloves etc).
- A microchip number has been provided.
- Adequate paperwork marked with the cat’s microchip number has been provided to support the country of origin requirement.
- An international health certificate has been provided including the microchip number.

For CFA Central office use only – Do not write below this line:
- The imported cat/kitten has been found to comply with the requirements for being recorded in the CATS database as a Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese. Please issue a CATS database record slip.

General Requirements for Registering/Recording Offspring from Burmese to Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese Breedings:
1. The Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese parent must be recorded in the CATS database. The record number must be provided.
2. A kitten resulting from a Burmese to Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese breeding must be genetically tested to have a solid sepia coat pattern (c pcb) in order to be registered as a Burmese. A copy of the genetic test report must be provided.

3. A kitten resulting from a Burmese to Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese breeding that does not comply with requirements to be registered as a Burmese (item 2 above) may be recorded in the CATS database as a Foundation Burmese.

Checklist for Registering/Recording Burmese to Imported Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese Offspring:
☐ - The Burmese parent’s registration number has been provided.
☐ - The Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese parent’s registration number has been provided.
☐ - A hard copy litter application has been provided.

For CFA Central office use only – Do not write below this line.
The cat/kitten has been found to comply with the requirements for being recorded in the CATS database or the CFA registry database as follows (only one should be checked):
☐ - This kitten may be registered as a Burmese. Please issue a Burmese registration slip for this kitten.
☐ - This kitten may be recorded in the CATS database as a Foundation Burmese. Please issue a CATS database record slip.

BREED NOTES

(02/10) eliminate the Sable and Dilute divisions. Burmese shall compete as a single breed within their four natural color classes.

CFA shall register Burmese using 0400/0401 for sable, 0402/0403 for champagne, 0404/0405 for blue, and 0406/0407 for platinum, and shall stop using the 1400 series prefixes. (Note: this is not retroactive and is effective 05/10)

Imports:
  Chocolate = champagne
  Lilac = platinum

If both parents are Burmese and an offspring looks black, register as sable Burmese, not as any other breed. Sable can often be so dark it is mistaken for black.

The dilute colors were once registered as MALAYAN (@1979) and later changed back to Burmese. The 0402 and 0406 prefix codes were discontinued and the 1402 and 1406 added to the other 1400-series numbers already on file.
# RULES OF REGISTRATION -- HISTORICAL

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**BURMESE**

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## SIGNIFICANT ACCEPTANCE DATES:

- **Registration:** Effective: 1936-47 and 1957 on
- **Championship:** Effective: 1959
- **Other:** (02/10) Merge two divisions to one Effective 05/10

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General Requirements:
1. The Bombay parent must be registered in CFA. A Bombay cat registered in a foreign registry may be used once it has been registered in CFA.
2. The Bombay parent must have a sable coat color (cbcb).
3. The Bombay parent must be color tested to not carry cinnamon (negative for bl).

Checklist:
☐ - A CFA litter application is provided.
☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Bombay parent.
☐ - A genetic test is provided indicating the Bombay parent tests as sable in color and is negative for cinnamon.

(02/12) General Requirements for Registering/Recording Offspring from Burmese bred to Tonkinese:
A Burmese cat may be bred to a CFA Tonkinese of any allowed color and pattern or to a Tonkinese registered in another registry that is eligible to be registered in CFA**. Any resulting kitten must be genetically tested for coat pattern. Kittens tested to have a solid sepia (cbcb) color may be registered as Burmese. Kittens that test as mink (cbcs), may be registered in the CATS registered as a T1 Out-Cross Burmese***. These Out-Cross Burmese are then eligible to be bred to a Burmese with the same rules as if they were a Tonkinese, with their mink coat patterned offspring being designated at T2, T3... Out-Cross Burmese.

Tonkinese cats that originate from a foreign registry must also genetically test negative for the following conditions to be eligible for use as an outcross to Burmese:
• Gangliosidosis 2 – Burmese • Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency • Hypokalemia • Disallowed Coat Colors
** Note that champagne may be designated as chocolate and platinum may be designated as lilac in other registries.

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*** Note that a Burmese to Tonkinese breeding should never produce a pointed patterned offspring (cscs).

Checklist for Registering/Recording Burmese to Tonkinese as Burmese or Foundation Burmese Offspring:
☐ - The required genetic test for color has been provided.
☐ - The cat/kitten’s genetic test for color indicates a solid sepia coat color (cbcb). This cat is eligible for registration as a Burmese.
☐ - The cat/kitten’s genetic test for color does not indicate a solid sepia coat color (cbcs). This cat is eligible for recording in the CATS database.

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Gangliosidosis 2 – Burmese – Test Negative Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency – Test Negative Hypokalemia – Test Negative Disallowed Coat Colors – Any color that is not Natural (Sable), Champagne (Chocolate), Blue or Platinum (Lilac).