RULES OF REGISTRATION

BREED NAME:
TURKISH VAN

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS:
None

BREED CODES:
37

PEDIGREE REQUIREMENTS (last date showing is current):
Date: (02/08) 5 generations and approval of BCS (See transfer policy in breed notes)

FOREIGN-CAT REQUIREMENTS (if different from above):
Date: Unknown/unregistered OK in background
Date: (02/08) See import policy breed notes

REGISTER AS AOV:
None

DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):
Non-bi-colors Lilac Anatolians
Chocolate shorthair

SIGNIFICANT ACCEPTANCE DATES:
Registration: Effective: 2/88
Provisional: 2/93 Effective: 5/1/93
Championship: Effective:

BCS CODE SERIES:
3500-series

REGISTRATION PREFIXES (COLORS):
0074 TURKISH VAN FOR BREEDING ONLY 3586 TURKISH VAN BROWN PTCH TABBY-WHITE
3518 TURKISH VAN DILUTE TORTIE-WHITE 3590 TURKISH VAN BLUE TABBY-WHITE
3548 TURKISH VAN TORTIE-WHITE 3592 TURKISH VAN BROWN TABBY-WHITE
3560 TURKISH VAN BLACK-WHITE 3594 TURKISH VAN RED TABBY-WHITE
3562 TURKISH VAN RED-WHITE 3596 TURKISH VAN CREAM TABBY-WHITE
3580 TURKISH VAN CREAM-WHITE 3598 TURKISH VAN AOV BI-COLOR ONLY
3582 TURKISH VAN BLUE-WHITE
3584 TURKISH VAN BLUE PTCHD TBY-WHITE
BREED NOTES

BREED: TURKISH VAN

(02/08): Delete previous import policy (5/15/91, below) and use following: (Note: Central Office should receive letter of approval from BCS and supporting paperwork -- They should not have to verify information).

TRANSFER AND REGISTRATION POLICY FOR TURKISH VANS
The Turkish Van is a natural breed with no allowable outcrosses.

I. CATS OF ESTABLISHED PARENTAGE REGISTERED IN ANOTHER CAT REGISTRY
For non-CFA registered cats of established parentage the following must be provided:

- A. A certified five-generation pedigree IS REQUIRED from the registry of transfer, BUT MUST BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE BREED COUNCIL SECRETARY BEFORE CFA CENTRAL OFFICE ACCEPTANCE.
- B. A copy of applicable registration and/or transfer of ownership slips from the registry involved.
- C. Exceptions: In pedigrees where cats of unknown parentage appear, the Breed Council Secretary may approve registration upon verification that the import ancestor is already in the CFA database, or that of a registry with similar Turkish Van registration policies. If not, the Breed Council Secretary may require that the ancestor first be recorded through the procedures outlined below for cats of unknown parentage from the region of import.
- D. If concerns over hybridization exist, the Breed Council Secretary may also request that the applicant provide results of genetics testing for non-allowable or undesirable hybrid traits. In this case, the cat must be microchipped by a licensed veterinarian, who will submit the DNA sample, with microchip number verified and noted on the paperwork, directly to a licensed feline genetics laboratory.

II. CATS OF UNKNOWN PARENTAGE FROM THE REGION OF IMPORT
Cats of unknown parentage can be imported from the following countries: Turkey, Russia (Voronezh and Saratov Regions and all points west/southwest) Syria, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and Kazakhstan. Imported cats must express the van pattern, in any of the currently accepted colors for the breed. Shorthaired cats are not eligible for registration. Any breeder considering importing should contact the Breed Council Secretary first for requirements, guidance and up-to-date information.

The following is required for CFA registration of an import of unknown parentage:

- A. A detailed description of the cat, including age (approximation), color, known history, location of cat’s origin, and any other information the importer would like considered.
- B. A copy of the import/export papers (any paperwork that shows the cat has been imported from the above-defined region of import. These can include customs slips, air bills, health certificates from in country vets, etc.)
- C. A minimum of three high resolution hard copy photographs showing a close up of the head markings, and of the full body markings on each side of the cat, with the signature of the person registering the cat that attests that this is the cat to be registered. While it is not expected that imported cats epitomize the breed standard, particularly with respect to their pattern, the following should not be accepted for registry: (1) an excess of color such that the cat is a bi-color (>50% color); (2) a solid (any color); or (3) a shorthaired cat.
- D. If available, a copy of registration papers from another non-North American World Cat Congress member registry that has accepted the imported cat as a legitimate Turkish Van.
• E. If deemed necessary by the Breed Council Secretary, evaluation of the cat by three CFA judges or three designated foreign association judges to rule out disqualifying features.
• F. If deemed necessary by the Breed Council Secretary, genetics testing results for non-allowable hybrid traits such as chocolate and colorpoint. In this case, the cat must be microchipped by a licensed veterinarian, who will submit the DNA sample, with microchip number verified and noted on the paperwork, directly to a licensed feline genetics laboratory.

III. APPLICATION PROCESS

A. The applicant must submit copies of all required documentation to both the Breed Council Secretary and CFA Central Office, with the understanding that Central Office will not process the registration until Breed Council Secretary review is complete. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

B. For transfers from other registries, the applicant should take care to retain the original certified pedigree for submission to CFA Central Office. A copy is sufficient for the Breed Council Secretary.

C. The applicant should include an accurate English translation of all foreign language documentation. Should the Breed Council Secretary and/or CFA require additional translation services, these will be paid for by the applicant.

D. The Breed Council Secretary will promptly review all materials for compliance with the Transfer and Registration Policy, and notify the applicant and CFA Central Office as to the application’s status, and whether the judge evaluation and/or DNA testing will be required. This review, to include obtaining any translation services, should be completed in no more than 30 days.

E. Once the Breed Council Secretary has received and validated the entire packet, he/she will notify the CFA Central Office when the approval process is complete so that the registration may be processed.