The Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc.
2015 BREED COUNCIL POLL

JAPANESE BOBTAIL

Breed Council Secretary: Karen Bishop – Freehold, NJ
Total Members: 26
Ballots Received: 21

1. **PROPOSED**: Move the current AOV colors to Championship in appropriate categories.
   
   **NOTE**: No colors or patterns are deleted as a result of this ballot item. This question only ADDS the current AOV patterns/colors to Championship status.

   **Current:**

   **JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS**

   **SOLID COLORS**

   **WHITE**: pure glistening white.

   **BLACK**: dense, coal black, sound from roots to tip of fur. Shiny and free from any tinge of rust on tips.

   **RED**: deep, rich, clear, brilliant red, the deeper and more glowing in tone the better.

   **BLUE**: blue, lighter shade preferred. Sound from roots to tip of fur.

   **CREAM**: one level shade of buff cream, without markings. Sound to the roots.

   **BLACK AND WHITE**

   **RED AND WHITE/RED TABBY AND WHITE/RED PATTERNED AND WHITE**: (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting). The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns.

   **OTHER BI-COLORS**: 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. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. Black Smoke and White, Blue Smoke and White, Red Smoke (Cameo) and White, Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo) and White.

**MI-KE** (tricolor): black, red, and white (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting).

**OTHER MI-KE** (tricolor) **COLORS**: 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 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]). Cat in repose appears mi-ke. When the coat is parted, the white undercoat is clearly apparent).

**PARTI-COLORS**

**TORTOISESHELL**: black and red.

**BLUE-CREAM**: blue and cream.

**OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS** (OJBC): Include the following categories – “tabby/patterned” and “patched tabby/patched patterned” categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

**TABBY/PATTERNED COLORS**: Brown Tabby/Patterned, Blue Tabby/Patterned, Red Tabby/Patterned, Cream Tabby/Patterned, Silver Tabby/Patterned, Blue Silver Tabby/Patterned, Cameo Tabby/Patterned, Cream Cameo Tabby/Patterned.

**PATCHED TABBY/PATCHED PATTERNED COLORS**: Brown Patched Tabby/Patterned, Blue Patched Tabby/Patterned, Silver Patched Tabby/Patterned, Dilute Silver Patched Tabby/Patterned.
SMOKE COLORS: Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Red Smoke (Cameo), Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo), Tortoiseshell Smoke, and Blue-Cream Smoke.

Any other colors or pattern or combination thereof except coloring showing the evidence of hybridization resulting in un-patterned agouti (i.e. Abyssinian coloring), or that color/pattern with white.

AOV COLORS: (Colorpointed, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), any of these 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.)

Proposed:

JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS

SOLID COLORS

WHITE: pure glistening white.

BLACK: dense, coal black, sound from roots to tip of fur. Shiny and free from any tinge of rust on tips.

CHOCOLATE: Rich warm chocolate brown.

RED: deep, rich, clear, brilliant red, the deeper and more glowing in tone the better.

BLUE: blue, lighter shade preferred. Sound from roots to tip of fur.

LILAC (LAVENDER): Lavender with a pinkish tone. Sound from roots to tip of fur.

CREAM: one level shade of buff cream, without markings. Sound to the roots.

BLACK AND WHITE

RED AND WHITE/RED TABBY AND WHITE/RED PATTERNED AND WHITE: (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting). The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns.

OTHER BI-COLORS: Chocolate and White, Blue and White, Lilac (Lavender) and White, Cream and White, Brown Tabby/Patterned and White, Chocolate Tabby/Patterned and White, Blue Tabby/Patterned and White, Lilac (Lavender) Tabby/Patterned and White, Cream Tabby/Patterned and White, Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Chocolate Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Blue Silver Tabby/Patterned and White, Lilac Silver
**MI-KE** (tricolor): black, red, and white (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting).

**OTHER MI-KE** (tricolor) **COLORS:** Chocolate Mi-ke (warm chocolate brown, red and white [red areas may be solid or tabby]); Dilute Mi-ke (blue, cream and white [cream areas may be solid or tabby]); Lilac (Lavender) Mi-ke (lilac, 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 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]); Cat in repose appears Mi-ke. 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]). Cat in repose appears Dilute Mi-ke. When the coat is parted, the white undercoat is clearly apparent.

**PARTI-COLORS**

**TORTOISESHELL:** black and red.

**CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL:** warm chocolate brown and red.

**BLUE-CREAM:** blue and cream.

**LILAC-CREAM:** lilac and cream.

**OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS** (OJBC): Include the following categories – “tabby/patterned” and “patched tabby/patched patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined.
or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

**TABBY/PATTERNED COLORS:** Brown Tabby/Patterned, Chocolate Tabby/Patterned, Blue Tabby/Patterned, Lilac Tabby/Patterned, Red Tabby/Patterned, Cream Tabby/Patterned, Silver Tabby/Patterned, Chocolate Silver Tabby/Patterned, Blue Silver Tabby/Patterned, Lilac Silver Tabby/Patterned, Cameo Tabby/Patterned, Cream Cameo Tabby/Patterned.

**PATCHED TABBY/PATCHED PATTERNED COLORS:** Brown Patched Tabby/Patterned, Chocolate Patched Tabby/Patterned, Blue Patched Tabby/Patterned, Lilac Patched Tabby/Patterned, Silver Patched Tabby/Patterned, Chocolate Silver Patched Tabby/Patterned, Dilute Silver Patched Tabby/Patterned, Lilac Silver Patched Tabby/Patterned.

**SMOKE COLORS:** Black Smoke, Chocolate Smoke, Blue Smoke, Lilac Smoke, Red Smoke (Cameo), Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo), Tortoiseshell Smoke, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke, Blue-Cream Smoke and Lilac Cream Smoke.

**COLORPOINT AND COLORPOINT AND WHITE (Any of the following 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 or any colors genetically possible in the breed.

**OTHER ALLOWED COLORS/PATTERNS:** Any other colors or pattern or combination thereof except coloring showing the evidence of hybridization resulting in un-patterned agouti (i.e. Abyssinian coloring), or that color/pattern with white.

**AOV COLORS:** (Colorpointed, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), any of these 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.)

**RATIONALE:** Passage of this item will move the current AOV colors/patterns into championship and into their respective color and pattern categories. **NOTE: No colors or patterns are deleted as a result of this Ballot Item. Only current AOV colors and patterns are added.**

YES: 18  
NO: 3  
ABSTAIN: 0

**STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 21  
60% of Voting: 13
2. **PROPOSED:** There are errors and misplaced items found in the Standard that arose as a result of the evolution of colors and patterns. The following are corrections that need to be made to correct those defects. Remove the title “BLACK AND WHITE” and add the heading “BICOLORS”. Place the color “BLACK AND WHITE” left justified as a color. Move the description pertaining to Tabby/Patterned and White and Patched Tabby/Patterned and White to this section as it describes colors/patterns that are currently described in this section. Add a section heading for TRICOLORS. **NOTE:** No colors or patterns are added or deleted as a result of these corrections.

Current:

**BLACK AND WHITE**

RED AND WHITE/RED TABBY AND WHITE/RED PATTERNED AND WHITE: (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting). The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns.

OTHER BI-COLORS: … The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. …

MI-KE (tricolor): black, red, and white (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting).

OTHER MI-KE (tricolor) COLORS: …

…

OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS (OJBC): Include the following categories – “tabby/patterned” and “patched tabby/patched patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

Proposed:

**BLACK AND WHITE**

**BICOLORS**

For “Tabby/Patterned and White” and “Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned and White” categories they may include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with
predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

BLACK AND WHITE: dense, coal black and pure glistening white.

RED AND WHITE/RED TABBY AND WHITE/RED PATTERNED AND WHITE: (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting). The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns.

OTHER BI-COLORS: … The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. …

TRICOLORS

MI-KE (tricolor): black, red, and white (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting).

OTHER MI-KE (tricolor) COLORS: …

OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS (OJBC): Include the following categories – “tabby/patterned” and “patched tabby/patched patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

RATIONALE: As the standard changed over the years, certain elements became misplaced. The Heading “Black and White” should be a color/pattern and not a heading. The statement included in Other Japanese Bobtail Colors pertains to the Tabby/Patterned and White and Patch Tabby/Patched Patterned and White patterns which moved to a different part of the standard. These changes are essentially housekeeping in nature. NOTE: No colors or patterns are added or deleted as a result of this Ballot Item.

YES: 17
NO: 4
ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)
Votes: 21
60% of Voting: 13
3. **PROPOSED:** After the Parti-Color section, create the heading “OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS” to separate the subsequent colors from the Parti-Colors. Add a statement describing the categories of Tabby/Patterned and Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned. **NOTE:** No colors or patterns are added or deleted as a result of this Ballot Item.

Current:

**PARTI-COLORS**

**TORTOISESHELL:** black and red.

**BLUE-CREAM:** blue and cream.

**OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS (OJBC):** Include the following categories – “tabby/patterned” and “patched tabby/patched patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

**TABBY/PATTERNED COLORS:** …

Proposed:

**PARTI-COLORS**

**TORTOISESHELL:** black and red.

**BLUE-CREAM:** blue and cream.

**OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS (OJBC)**

Tabby/Patterned and Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring.

**OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS (OJBC):** Include the following categories – “tabby/patterned” and “patched tabby/patched patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term “patterned” may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. 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.

**TABBY/PATTERNED COLORS:** …

**RATIONALE:** There is a heading for Parti-Colors but no separator heading before moving on to other colors that are not Parti-Colors. This proposal would add a heading “Other Japanese Bobtail Colors” and add the treatment of Tabby/Patterned and Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned cats that are not “with white”. **NOTE:** No colors or patterns are added or deleted in this Ballot Item.

**YES:** 15  
**NO:** 6  
**ABSTAIN:** 0

**STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 21  
60% of Voting: 13