# The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.® REVISED SHOW RULES ADDENDUM #3

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A vertical line ( $\|$ ) to the left of a rule indicates the additional text added. A double vertical line ( $\|$ ) to the left of a rule denotes a deletion.

- 2.03 BAY Check-In involves the verification by attendance at the close of check-in that all cats of a particular color-class within all categories of a breed (i.e., kittens, championship, and premiership combined) are present for judging and possess no obvious characteristics that would warrant them not being showable, e.g. out of condition, color not recognized for competition, obvious illness. This process may be implemented at shows in China where a color class has more entries than the total number of judging cages to be used in the smallest judging ring at that show (12 or 16). Cats required to participate in this check-in are not eligible for late arrival and once marked absent, will be considered absent for the duration of the entire show, including both days of a two day show. For example, if color class 2500/2501, solid color British Shorthairs has seven kittens, nine championship, and one premiership cat entered with the smallest ring comprising 16 cages, that color class would qualify for bay check-in as the total number entered in that color class is 17.
- 2.20 h. The AGILITY COMPETITION category is for any cat or kitten for which an Agility Entry has been submitted per show rule 6.24. At shows that are held over a two-day period, each day shall be considered a separate show for agility competition, and scored separately. Agility cats/kittens are scored per show rule 37.04 for each show to determine placements. For Bengals to enter this class, they must also provide to the Agility Ringmaster their registration number as part of the entry process.
- 3.02 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 and who have been actively judging with their parent association for a minimum of five (5) years. A Judge may only judge the level at which they are licensed. When the show format includes a specialty ring, guest judges will serve as a specialty judge in CFA shows unless a specialty-only CFA judge would be serving as the required specialty judge. Requests for guest judge approval must be submitted to the Judging Program Committee at least 45 days in advance of the show. Requests submitted with less than 45 days remaining until the proposed show date will not be considered.
- 4.04 Application for license should be received in the Central Office 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 received 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 complete and accurate application, including judging program committee approvals for any proposed guest judges in the application, for a show license received in the Central Office with less than 30 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show.
- The temporary registration number (TRN) 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 the appropriate TRN fee (which is in addition to the club's entry fee), application form, and a four-generation pedigree (or whatever is required for registration of that breed if fewer than four generations are required, or a five generation pedigree if the cat/kitten is a Bengal) issued either by CFA or 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 6.08). If both parents of the entry are registered with CFA, the CFA registration numbers of the parents are acceptable in place of a pedigree. The fee, application form, and pedigree (or CFA registration numbers, if applicable) must be provided to the entry clerk no later than the close of check-in for the show and these will be provided to Central Office in the show package. The Entry Clerk will not issue a TRN until they are in receipt of the application, fee, AND pedigree (or CFA registration numbers, if applicable). Upon review, which is done prior to the show being scored, the registration number will either remain valid for 60 days from the first day of the show, or be voided if CFA registration requirements are not met for the breed being registered. In cases where the TRN is voided, those cats/kittens will not be included in the Official Count for the associated category (K/C/P). Central Office will notify any exhibitor whose temporary registration number is voided with the basis for such decision. In the case of a Bengal pedigree deemed invalid because it contains an Asian Leopard Cat, the application will be forwarded to the Board for disciplinary action against the exhibitor for violating show rule 10.10 by bringing a non-domestic feline into the show hall. 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 printed in the catalog as if they were permanent. Cats may compete and continue to earn points for 60 days from the first day of the first show where they have obtained a TRN. That number should be used on all subsequent entries after the first show for the 60-day period or until the cat obtains a permanent registration number within that 60-day period. At the end of this 60-day period, the cat may not be shown without a permanent registration number. For cats to receive credit for Regional, Divisional or National points earned during a specific show season with a TRN, the exhibitor must supply the associated permanent registration number to Central Office by the Monday following the completion of that show season.
- 6.22 It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, AS=South or Central America, AW=Africa & Western Asia, CN=China, HK=Hong Kong, ID=Indonesia, IL=Israel, KR=South Korea, MY=Malay-sia/Vietnam/Brunei, PH=Philippines, SI=Singapore, TH=Thailand, and TW=Taiwan (see CFA's Constitution Article VIII, for regional boundary specifications).

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The remainder of the text for show rule 4.04 remains unchanged

- 6.28 In the event that a previously scheduled show is cancelled or a 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, if the show will still be held, 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. 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. In the event the show is cancelled, all entered exhibitors will receive a refund of entry fees paid.
- 7.11 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, 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class, and 3) cats listed as exhibition only. 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.
- 8.03 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.

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
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 or Green
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 (if appl)	) Rosette/award	Any Color
Best-10th Best HHP	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
Best-5th Best Agility (if appl)	Rosette/award	Any Color

### 10.22 Absentees and Transfers.

b. At the conclusion of the advertised hour for check-in and before judging begins, all cats of each color class subject to bay check-in may be required to present themselves to the judging rings (starting with the lowest kitten number thru highest, then lowest championship number thru highest, then lowest premiership number thru highest) starting with ring 1 and going thru the number of rings required to include all cats entered in that color-class. The International Division Chairman for China, shall be notified by the China entry clerk when a show has sufficient entries in a color class to warrant bay check-in. That Chairman will then determine if that show will be subject to the

bay check-in process, and if so, which of the contracted judges will perform the procedure. The selected judge will then mark the absentee/transfer list MAb (Mandatorily Absent) for any cat/kitten not present in the numbered judging cage, or for any cat/kitten that is obviously out of condition, is ill, is of a color not showable in regular or AOV competition, or may otherwise be disqualified per show rule 11.23. That cat will be considered absent in all rings to be held at that show, regardless of which day the color class for that category is judged. If more than one color class meets the requirement for bay check-in, they will be called up to the rings in breed/color class order as listed in the catalog.

# 11.32 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.

- 28.01 c. At the end of 45 days after the last day of the show at which the cat earned its last qualifying ring, Central Office will send a notice to the owner of record for that show by email, or if no e-mail address is available by regular mail, noting that the cat has not yet been confirmed as a champion or premier. The notice will also include a statement that a late filing fee, as specified in the CFA list of fees, must also be submitted in addition to the normal claim form fee; and that if the appropriate claim form is not filed within 45 days of the date of that notice, any grand points the cat may have earned or regional/divisional/national awards points earned since the show where it got its last qualifying ring will be forfeited. Forfeited points will not be reinstated if the claim form is subsequently completed.
- **28.02** 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 (or fifteen, where applicable) 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 for shows held outside of China, i.e., Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau). For champions/premiers competing at shows in China, the cat will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated that was present in at least 80 percent of the Rings held at that show. A cat is considered present in China as long as no award is withheld from that cat for insufficient merit or condition, and the cat is not disqualified (see Rules 11.23, and 11.24). If the award for a cat is withheld for any reason other than wrong color, it will be considered absent for the ring in which the award was withheld. To determine the 80 percent present requirement, see the following table:

Number of Rings	Rings present for	
held at show	cat to be in count	
1 Ring held	1 Ring	
2 Rings held	2 Rings	
3 Rings held	3 Rings	
4 Rings held	4 Rings	
5 Rings held	4 Rings	
6 Rings held	5 Rings	
7 Rings held	6 Rings	
8 Rings held	7 Rings	
9 Rings held	8 Rings	
10 Rings held	8 Rings	

Cats not present in the number of Rings specified in the table based on the number of Rings held at any show held in China will not be counted as competing at the show for determining the official champion/premier count, however, any grand points won by these cats in any ring will still be credited to that cat's record.

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 cases where 11 or more cats in a top 15 final are champions, those champions placing 11th thru 15th best champion within that final will receive 5% of the points awarded to the highest placing champion. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.

# Article XXXVI - Show Points/Official Show Count - Item 2

 The cats/kittens/household pets competing in each show are tallied within their category to establish the official show counts. Kittens that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk, are included in the count. Novices, and AOVs are not counted in the official count for their respective categories.

# Article XXXVI - National Awards Section AWARDS

The awards presented each year are:

#### **National Awards**

**National Award Area Definition:** for the purposes of season end awards, the National Awards are divided into three geographical areas as follows:

Cats/Kittens/HHPs residing in Regions 1 through 9

Cats/Kittens/HHPs residing in China (this does not include those cats residing in the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau).

Cats/Kittens/HHPs residing in the International national award area (including those cats/kittens residing in the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau).

Awards/Titles for each of the above areas will be Best up to 25th Best Championship, Kitten, Premiership, and Household Pet\*

To obtain any national award and its associated title (National Winner - NW or Household Pet National Winner - HNW), the cat/kitten/HHP must earn a minimum number of points over the duration of the show season in the category to which the award will be earned. Those minimums are as follows:

- for championship cats, the cat must earn a minimum of 4,300 points; for kittens, the kitten must earn a minimum of 1,500 points; for premiership, the cat must earn a minimum of 2,200 points, for Household Pets, the cat/kitten must earn a minimum of 1,100 points. Cats failing to meet these minimums are not eligible for any national award or title. The Board will review these minimums for potential adjustment for the next show season and the results of that review will be posted on the CFA website by the first of May.

# Best - 10th Best Cat in Agility+

\*The title of "National Winner (NW)" is limited to cats receiving the above \* awards in Championship, Kittens, or Premiership competition. The title of "Household Pet National Winner (HNW)" is limited to household pets receiving the above \* awards in Household Pet competition.

+A minimum of 150 agility points are required for this award and the title associated with a national agility award will consist of an "N" added to the cat's agility title as follows: ACN, AWN, AMN, or AGN.

# Article XXXVI - AWARDS/International Division 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/Vietnam/Brunei; Philippines; Singapore; South or Central America, including the Caribbean nations; Thailand; and Taiwan.

## **Regional Definitions**

4. Awards given in the International Division are based only on points earned in the International Division with the following exceptions: a) cats/kittens/household pets from outside of the China DW Award geographical area may NOT earn points at shows in the China DW Award geographical area, b) only points earned at Singapore shows will be accrued towards Singapore DW awards, c) only points earned at Taiwan shows will be accrued towards Taiwan DW awards, d) only points earned at Africa/Western Asia shows will be accrued toward Africa/Western Asia DW awards, e) only points earned at Central/South America shows will be accrued toward Central/South America DW awards, and f) only points earned at shows in Israel will be accrued toward Israel DW awards. In addition, points earned at the CFA International show may be used toward this award.