

### THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

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## The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. 2016 BREED COUNCIL POLL

#### **ABYSSINIAN**

Outgoing Breed Council Secretary: Meg Lambert – Attleboro, MA Incoming Breed Council Secretary: Martha Auspitz – Louisville, KY Total Members: 63 Ballots Received: 47

1. **PROPOSED:** Under "Abyssinian Colors," change the color description:

#### **Current**:

**RED** (cinnamon gene): coat rich, warm glowing red, ticked with chocolate-brown, the extreme outer tip to be dark, with red undercoat. Tail tipped with chocolate-brown. The underside and inside of legs to be a tint to harmonize with the main color. **Nose leather**: rosy pink. **Paw pads**: pink, with chocolate-brown between toes, extending slightly beyond the paws.

#### **Proposed**:

**RED** (cinnamon gene): coat rich, warm glowing red, ticked with chocolate-brown, the extreme outer tip to be darkest, with red-orange undercoat. Tail tipped with chocolate-brown. The underside and inside of legs to be a tint to harmonize with the main color. **Nose leather:** rosy pink. **Paw pads**: pink, with chocolate-brown between toes, extending slightly beyond the paws.

**RATIONALE:** This slight change makes all color descriptions uniform.

**YES: 32** NO: 15 ABSTAIN: 0

#### **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 47 60% of Voting: 29

**2. PROPOSED:** Change the color RED (cinnamon gene) to simply CINNAMON. The term "red" is used in the following sections and will be modified if the cinnamon terminology is accepted.

| Current:          |
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| ABYSSINIAN COLORS |
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**RED** (cinnamon gene): ...

**EARS:** ... Hair on ears very short and close lying, preferably tipped with black on a ruddy Abyssinian, chocolate-brown on a red Abyssinian, slate blue on the blue Abyssinian, or light cocoa-brown on a fawn Abyssinian.

**DISQUALIFY:** ... Any black hair on red Abyssinian. ...

**Proposed**:

ABYSSINIAN COLORS:

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#### **RED** (cinnamon gene): CINNAMON:

**EARS**: ... Hair on ears very short and close lying, preferably tipped with black on a ruddy Abyssinian, chocolate-brown on a <u>red cinnamon</u> Abyssinian, slate blue on <u>the a</u> blue Abyssinian, or light cocoa-brown on a fawn Abyssinian.

**DISQUALIFY**: ... Any black hair on red a cinnamon Abyssinian. ...

**RATIONALE:** The color is genetically cinnamon. Other CFA breeds (Ocicat, OSH) use the word cinnamon. Other registries recognize self-red (sex-linked) Abyssinians and they are called "red." TICA has only recently moved from "sorrel" to cinnamon to avoid any further confusion. Calling the cinnamon Abyssinian by its correct genetic name should help avoid any future confusion.

YES: 20 **NO: 25** ABSTAIN: 2

**STANDARD CHANGE (fails)** 

Votes: 45 60% of Voting: 27

No Action.

# ABYSSINIAN BREED COUNCIL SECRETARY BALLOT For the Term May 1, 2017 – April 30, 2019

Ballot for the Election of

#### **ABYSSINIAN**

#### **Breed Council Secretary**

For the Term May 1, 2017 – April 30, 2019

- 25 Martha Auspitz Louisville, Kentucky
- 22 Sue Truesdell Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 0 Abstain