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## ABYSSINIAN

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Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Martha Auspitz – Louisville, KY

Total Members: 56

Ballots Received: 49

**1. PROPOSED:** Change from the color terminology red (cinnamon gene) to Cinnamon.

**Current:**

**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.

**EARS:** alert, large, and moderately pointed; broad, and cupped at base and set as though listening. 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:** white locket, or white anywhere other than nostril, chin, and upper throat area. Kinked or abnormal tail. Dark unbroken necklace. Grey undercoat close to the skin extending throughout a major portion of the body. Any black hair on red Abyssinian. Incorrect number of toes. Any color other than the four accepted colors.

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**Abyssinian Color Class Numbers**

<b>Ruddy</b> .....	0380	0381
<b>Red</b> .....	0382	0383
<b>Blue</b> .....	0384	0385
<b>Fawn</b> .....	0386	0387
<b>AOV</b> .....	None	None

**Proposed:**

~~**RED (cinnamon gene)**~~ **CINNAMON:** 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.

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Abyssinian, chocolate-brown on a ~~red~~ cinnamon Abyssinian, slate blue on the blue Abyssinian, or light cocoa brown on a fawn Abyssinian.

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**RATIONALE:** Our Abyssinians are not sex-linked red, they are in fact cinnamon. The other associations have changed this color to cinnamon and in TICA they accept both sex-linked red and cinnamon. So, for those who may get a red from TICA it is the sex-linked red color which we do not accept. In order to avoid anyone getting a sex-linked red and producing a tortoiseshell or blue-cream Abyssinian, we would like to correct our color to what it really is: **CINNAMON**.

YES: 27

NO: 22

ABSTAIN: 0

**STANDARD CHANGE (fails)**

Votes: 49

60% of Voting: 30

**No Action.**