



# THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

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## The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. 2012 BREED COUNCIL POLL

### COLORPOINT SHORTHAIR

Breed Council Secretary: Lorna Friemoth – Ottawa, OH

Total Members: 59

Ballots Received: 52

- 1. PROPOSED:** Change the Rules of Registration to remove the ability to record cats as Colorpoint Shorthairs.

**RATIONALE:** In 2010, in hopes of expanding the gene pool by making registration-by-pedigree easier, the board passed the breed council's request to change our import policy to allow cats with 3 generations to be registered as 52## cats. This change allowed cats with Oriental ancestry in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> generation to be imported from other associations and immediately eligible for championship competition (if of the appropriate color) while having an identifier that indicated potential Oriental ancestry. We did not change the 5 generation requirement to be registered with a 22## number, that is still possible.

When we lowered our requirement to 3 generations, the Rules of Registration allowed a cat to be **recorded** as a Colorpoint Shorthair with only a 2 generation certified pedigree. A recorded cat can be used for breeding but is not eligible for competition. Recording is supposed to be a way to import cats when the owner cannot obtain the necessary number of generations, not as a way to import a cat that would not meet the import requirements because of a non-accepted breed or color in the oldest required generation.

The recording of cats with just 2 generation pedigrees allows cats to be imported with very little pedigree information and with undesirable colors (such as silver or smoke) in the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation, and this was not the intent of the change we made in 2010. We went from 5 to 3 without realizing the opening we created for bringing in cats as recorded cats with only 2 generations. This proposed change would remove the ability to record cats with so little pedigree information while still allowing growth of the gene pool through the registration of cats with a minimum 3 generation pedigree.

#### **REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)**

Votes: 51

50% of Voting: 26

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YES: 34

NO: 17

ABSTAIN: 1

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## BOARD-DIRECTED COMPROMISE

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At their February 2012 meeting, the CFA board directed the chairs of Breeds and Standards and the Siamese, Colorpoint Shorthair, Balinese and Oriental breed council secretaries to work together on a compromise for the pointed Oriental subject. This proposal is a result of much discussion among breed council members and secretaries. All parties to this work have agreed to particular stipulations in order to approve concessions. Each element is integral to the entire proposal and no element stands on its own. Therefore, all of the items must pass all of the polled breed councils (with the appropriate majorities as required by the constitution) and the board should not implement this piecemeal. A breed council member's yes vote is an approval of the whole proposal and not individual parts.

In summary, the proposal has three fundamental parts. Effective beginning May 1, 2013:

- A. The Oriental breed will add the necessary color classes to their standard to include the 16 Colorpoint Shorthair colors, plus 46 additional pointed colors for a total of 62 new pointed colors. 48 of those colors are also duplicated in the Balinese standard. These colors will be shown in shorthair, longhair and longhair carrier coats. The four Siamese colors and the smoke versions of those four colors will be excluded from competition in all coat lengths. The Oriental breed will also add a Disqualify to their breed standard for the four Siamese colors and smoke versions of those colors. Pointed longhair carriers will compete in the appropriate Oriental shorthair color classes.
- B. The breeding restrictions currently in place for pointed Oriental shorthairs will remain. These restrictions bar the registration of offspring from pointed-to-pointed shorthair breedings. Additional breeding restrictions for pointed Oriental longhairs and pointed Oriental longhair carriers will be added to the rules of registration beginning with the dates specified in the proposal.
- C. The show rules will be changed to remove the pointed Orientals from the Colorpoint Shorthair color classes and to remove the special division breed awards for pointed Oriental shorthairs (i.e. the BW for pointed Orientals will end, however cats that have already achieved those titles will keep them). Notations about showing pointed Orientals as Colorpoint Shorthairs that appear in multiple places will be removed.

In the future, the expectation of these breed councils is that the board will honor this compromise and not change it without the approval of the breed councils. This will allow breeders to enjoy stability, predictability and to enjoy their hobby of breeding cats.

**2. PROPOSED:** The board shall make the following changes to the Oriental standard, the show rules, the rules of registration, and all other necessary documents and policies:

- a. Add Pointed to the Coat Color section of the Oriental standard with a description of Pointed color. Add the 16 Colorpoint Shorthair and 48 Balinese colors, as well as 14

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additional colors to the Oriental standard, allowing Orientals of all coat lengths to be shown in these colors:

**20 non tabby colors:**

RED POINT (including smoke)  
CREAM POINT (including smoke)  
CINNAMON POINT (including smoke)  
FAWN POINT (including smoke)  
SEAL-TORTIE POINT (including smoke)  
CHOCOLATE-TORTIE POINT (including smoke)  
BLUE-CREAM POINT (including smoke)  
LILAC-CREAM POINT (including smoke)  
CINNAMON-TORTIE POINT (including smoke)  
FAWN-CREAM POINT (including smoke)

**42 tabby-based colors:**

SEAL LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
CHOCOLATE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
BLUE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
LILAC LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
RED LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
CINNAMON LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
FAWN LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
SEAL-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
CHOCOLATE-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
BLUE-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
LILAC-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
CINNAMON-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)  
FAWN-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded)

Add the following 8 colors to the Disqualify section of the Oriental standard: seal point, seal smoke point, chocolate point, chocolate smoke point, blue point, blue smoke point, lilac point, lilac smoke point.

See the addendum for the proposed changes to the Oriental standard.

- b. In addition to the existing restrictions that prohibit registration of litters from pointed Oriental shorthairs bred to other pointed shorthair cats, include similar restrictions that prohibit registration of litters and individual kittens from pointed Oriental longhair and longhair carriers bred to Siamese, Colorpoint Shorthair, or any pointed Oriental effective July 15, 2013. Litters from pointed Oriental longhairs or longhair carriers bred to Balinese can continue to be registered as Orientals until January 1, 2016.

**RATIONALE:** If you support this proposal and it passes, the Oriental breed council will be able to add our colors to their standard, as well as the Balinese colors and a few more,

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excluding only the four Siamese colors and the smoke version of those. This will be the first time in CFA's history where a breed that still outcrosses to its parent breeds is allowed to mimic the parents in the show classes. Once the colors are in the Oriental standard, they will likely never be removed.

We have never supported this in the past, so what is different this time? First, the board has directed that we consider a compromise that accommodates the Oriental breed council's desire to show these colors. Thus, we are considering it. Second, this proposal includes breeding restrictions such that the Oriental breeders cannot purposely breed cats to mimic other breeds. The Oriental breeders would only be allowed to breed their pointed offspring to full color cats. This significantly minimizes the number of pointed Orientals shown.

Given the small number of pointed Orientals produced because of the breeding restrictions, the idea of them being shown in their own color class in their own breed is not as bad for our breed as it could be. This may be a reasonable solution, although not our ideal. The question we must consider is whether the breeding restrictions will last. Whether you vote for this proposal hinges on trust - your trust in the Oriental breed council, the board, and CFA to honor this compromise and leave it alone in the future. We have no guarantees and no power to constrain the board. It all comes down to trust. I urge you to consider this proposal carefully and consider your trust before you support it.

**IF STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 50

60% of Voting: 30

**IF REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)**

Votes: 50

50% of Voting: 25

**YES: 31**

**NO: 19**

**ABSTAIN: 2**

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**ADDENDUM: CHANGES TO THE ORIENTAL STANDARD**

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**PROPOSED:**

**COAT COLOR:** the Oriental's reason for being is the coat color whether it is solid, shaded, smoke, parti-color, bi-color, pointed or tabby patterned.

**Solid** – In the solid color cat, the coat color should be of uniform density and color from the tip to the root of each hair and from the nose to the tail. The full coat color score (20) should be used to assess the quality and the correctness of the color.

**Shaded** – The shaded cat has a white undercoat, with a mantle of colored tipping shading down from the sides, face and tail from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, chest underside and under the tail.

Smoke – Cat in repose appears solid in color. In motion the color is clearly apparent. Extremities are solid in color, and have a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to the skin which may be seen only when the fur is parted.

Parti-Color – A solid\* cat with patches of red or softly intermingled areas of red on both body and extremities (presence of several shades of red acceptable; \*dilute colors exhibit cream instead of red).

Bi-Color – Bi-Colors should conform to the established standard for their co-existing pattern, with the addition of white feet, legs, underside, chest and muzzle, including an inverted “V” blaze on the face.

Tabby – In the tabby patterned cat, the quality of the pattern is an essential part of the cat. The pattern should match the description for the particular pattern and be well defined. The pattern should be viewed while the cat is in a natural standing position. The remaining ten points are allotted to the correctness of the color, it matches the color description.

Pointed – Body: subtle shading is permissible, but clear color is preferable. Allowance should be made for darker color in older cats as pointed Orientals generally darken with age, but there must be definite contrast between body color and points. Points: mask, ears, feet, legs, and tail dense and clearly defined. All of the same shade. Mask covers entire face including whisker pads and is connected to ears by tracings. Mask should not extend over the top of the head. No white hairs in points.

EYE COLOR: green. Pointed and white - blue, Pointed – blue. White and bi-color– blue, green or odd-eyed.

*(ADD THE FOLLOWING TEXT AFTER THE Parti-Colors Color Class)*

### **POINTED COLOR CLASS**

**RED POINT (including smoke):** body clear white with any shading in the same tone as points. **Points:** bright apricot to deep red, deeper shades preferred, with lack of barring desirable. **Nose leather and paw pads:** flesh or coral pink.

**CREAM POINT (including smoke):** body clear white with any shading in the same tone as points. **Points:** pale buff cream to light pinkish cream, lack of barring desirable. **Nose leather and paw pads:** flesh to coral pink.

**CINNAMON POINT (including smoke):** body ivory with no shading. Points light reddish brown, distinctly warmer and lighter than chocolate - the color of a cinnamon stick. **Nose leather and paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige.

**FAWN POINT (including smoke):** body glacial white with no shading. Points light lavender with pale cocoa overtones. **Nose leather and paw pads:** pink and/or a light shade of dusty rose (no blue or lavender tones).

**SEAL LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body cream or pale fawn, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** seal brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears seal brown with paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** seal brown permitted, pink edged in seal brown preferred. **Paw pads:** seal brown.

**CHOCOLATE LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** warm milk-chocolate bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears warm milk-chocolate with paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** cinnamon permitted, pink edged in cinnamon preferred. **Paw pads:** cinnamon.

**BLUE LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body bluish white to platinum grey, cold in tone, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** deep blue-grey bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears deep blue-grey with paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** slate-colored permitted, pink edged in slate preferred. **Paw pads:** slate-colored.

**LILAC LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** frosty grey with pinkish tone bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears frosty grey with pinkish tone, paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** lavender-pink permitted, pink edged in lavender-pink preferred. **Paw pads:** lavender-pink.

**RED LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** deep red bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears deep red, paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather and paw pads:** flesh or coral pink.

**CREAM LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body clear white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** bars of pale buff cream to light pinkish cream, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears pale buff cream to light pinkish cream, paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather and paw pads:** flesh to coral pink.

**CINNAMON LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** light reddish brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears cinnamon with paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** tan to pinkish beige permitted, pink edged in tan preferred. **Paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige.

**FAWN LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. **Points:** light lavender bars with pale cocoa overtones, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears fawn, paler thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** dusty rose permitted, pink edged in dusty rose preferred. **Paw pads:** dusty rose.

**SEAL-TORTIE LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body cream or pale fawn, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. **Points:** seal brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears seal brown with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. **Nose leather:** seal brown permitted, pink edged in seal brown preferred, flesh or coral

pink mottling may be present. **Paw pads:** seal brown, or seal brown mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: These cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

**CHOCOLATE-TORTIE LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. **Points:** warm milk-chocolate bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears warm milk-chocolate with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. **Nose leather:** cinnamon permitted, pink edged in cinnamon preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. **Paw pads:** cinnamon, or cinnamon mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

**BLUE-CREAM LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body bluish white to platinum grey, cold in tone, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. **Points:** deep blue-grey bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears deep blue grey with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. **Nose leather:** slate-colored permitted, pink edged in slate preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. **Paw pads:** slate-colored, or slate mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

**LILAC-CREAM LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. **Points:** frosty grey with pinkish tone bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears frosty grey with pinkish tone, paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. **Nose leather:** lavender-pink permitted, pink edged in lavender-pink preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. **Paw pads:** lavender-pink, or lavender-pink mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

**CINNAMON-TORTIE LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or mottling. Points light reddish brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears cinnamon with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. **Nose leather:** tan to pinkish beige permitted, pink edged in tan preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. **Paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige, may be mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

**FAWN-CREAM LYNX POINT** (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or mottling. Points: light lavender bars with pale cocoa overtones, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears fawn, paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. **Nose leather:** dusty rose permitted, pink edged in dusty rose preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. **Paw pads:** dusty rose, may be mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

**SEAL-TORTIE POINT** (including smoke): body pale fawn to cream, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body color may be mottled in older cats. **Points:** seal brown, randomly mottled with red. **Nose leather and paw pads:** seal brown; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

**CHOCOLATE-TORTIE POINT** (including smoke): body ivory, may be mottled in older cats. **Points:** warm milk-chocolate randomly mottled with red. **Nose leather and paw pads:** cinnamon; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable

**BLUE-CREAM POINT** (including smoke): body bluish white to platinum grey, cold in tone, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body color may be mottled in older cats. **Points:** deep blue-grey randomly mottled with cream. **Nose leather and paw pads:** slate-colored; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

**LILAC-CREAM POINT** (including smoke): body glacial white; mottling, if any, in the shade of the points. **Points:** frosty grey with pinkish tone, randomly mottled with pale cream. **Nose leather and paw pads:** lavender-pink; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

**CINNAMON-TORTIE POINT** (including smoke): body ivory, may be mottled in older cats. **Points:** light reddish brown, randomly mottled with red. **Nose leather and paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

**FAWN-CREAM POINT** (including smoke): body glacial white; mottling, if any, in the shade of the points. **Points:** light lavender with pale cocoa overtones, randomly mottled with pale cream. **Nose leather and paw pads:** dusty rose; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

**SHADED POINTS:** white undercoat with a mantle of tipping consistent with the base colors of red, cream, seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn, or any of the appropriate base colors in particular, shading down from sides, face and tail from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, chest, underside and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as the face. Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with color consistent with the corresponding base color. **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate base color.

**SMOKE POINTS:** white undercoat, deeply tipped with color consistent with the corresponding base color of red, cream, cinnamon or fawn, or any of the appropriate base colors in particular. **Points and mask** appear solidly colored, with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate base color.

**SILVER LYNX POINTS:** add white undercoat. **Nose leather:** base color permitted or edged with base color preferred. **Paw pads:** appropriate base color.

**DISQUALIFY:** Seal point, seal smoke point, chocolate point, chocolate smoke point, blue point, blue smoke point, lilac point, lilac smoke point.