

**CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 5/6, 2013**

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**Secretary’s Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc. met on Saturday, October 5, 2013, via teleconference, with several members being present in person in the courtroom of the Honorable Robert G. Lavery, Alliance Municipal Court House, 470 East Market Street, Alliance, Ohio. President **Jerold Hamza** called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. EDT with the following members present after a roll call:

**Mr. Jerold Hamza (President)**  
**Mr. Mark Hannon (Vice-President)**  
**Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**  
**Carla Bizzell, C.P.A. (Treasurer)**  
**Ginger Meeker, Ph.D. (NWR Director)**  
**Sharon Roy (NAR Director)**  
**Ms. Carissa Altschul (GSR Director)**  
**Mrs. Loretta Baugh (GLR Director)**  
**Mr. Michael Shelton (SWR Director)**  
**Ms. Kathy Calhoun (MWR Director)**  
**Mrs. Tracy Petty (SOR Director)**  
**Mrs. Kayoko Koizumi (Japan Regional Director)**  
**Mr. Pauli Huhtaniemi (Europe Regional Director)**  
**Roger Brown, DVM (Director-at-Large)**  
**George Eigenhauser (Director-at-Large)**  
**Dennis Ganoë (Director-at-Large)**  
**Richard Kallmeyer (Director-at-Large)**  
**Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)**  
**Richard Mastin (Director-at-Large)**  
**Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)**

Also present were: Ms. Donna Jean Thompson, Director of Operations; Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel; Jodell Raymond, Assistant to the President; Shino Wiley, Japanese Interpreter; Brian Buetel and Verna Dobbins of Central Office.

**Hamza:** Good morning everyone. Can you hear us? <yes> Well then Rachel, call the roll. I'm going to call the meeting to order as soon as you do the roll. **Anger:** OK, great. Jerry Hamza. **Hamza:** I'm here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Mark Hannon. **Hannon:** Here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Rachel Anger is here (in Alliance). Carla Bizzell. **Bizzell:** Here. **Anger:** Ginger Meeker. **Meeker:** Here. **Anger:** Sharon Roy. **Roy:** Here. **Anger:** Carissa Altschul. **Altschul:** Here. **Anger:** Loretta Baugh. **Baugh:** Here. **Anger:** Mike Shelton. **Shelton:** Here. **Anger:** Kathy Calhoun. **Calhoun:** Here. **Anger:** Tracy Petty. **Petty:** Here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Kayoko Koizumi. **Koizumi:** Here. **Anger:** Pauli Huhtaniemi. **Huhtaniemi:** Here. **Anger:** Roger Brown. Roger, are you there? George Eigenhauser. **Eigenhauser:** There. [**Brown** joins the conference] **Anger:** Who was that, that just joined? **Brown:** Roger. **Anger:** Dennis, are you on the call? I think he is en route to Florida. Dick Kallmeyer. **Kallmeyer:** Here. **Anger:** Carol Krzanowski. **Krzanowski:** Here. **Anger:** Rich Mastin. **Mastin:** Here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Annette Wilson. **Wilson:** Here. **Anger:** Ed Raymond. **Raymond:** Here. **Anger:** Donna Jean Thompson. **Thompson:** Here. **Anger:** Verna Dobbins. **Dobbins:** Here. **Anger:** Brian Buetel. **Buetel:** Here. **Anger:** Is Shino Wiley on the call? **Wiley:** I'm here. **Anger:** Jodell Raymond. **J. Raymond:** Here. **Anger:** James Simbro. **Simbro:** Here. **Anger:** Is there anyone who is on the call whose name I have not mentioned? Thank you. **Brown:** Roger Brown. **Hamza:** We mentioned you Roger, but you weren't here yet. So, now you've been mentioned twice. Enjoy that.

**Hamza:** I just want to make a couple of comments before we start. We have a couple hearings today and we have some protests to get through. We're probably not going to agree on all of this, but as I always say, it's important to respect everybody else's opinions. I'll let you state your opinions as long as they are respectful and poignant. The other thing I would like to mention is that today we are sitting in the courthouse in the City of Alliance, Ohio. They were gracious to let us use this facility here today, to try out the facility. As you all know, the Foundation has denied us access to the museum for the February meeting and the City really stepped up. This is a nice facility. The Judge left us a nice "Welcome Cat Fanciers' Association" on the blackboard, and there are other accoutrements here that show welcoming. So, I just want to, in the minutes, thank the City of Alliance for being so generous.

**Secretary's Note:** For the ease of the reader, some items were discussed at different times but were included with their particular agenda item.

(1) **ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES.**

**RATIFICATION OF ON-LINE MOTIONS**

	<b>Moved/ Seconded</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Vote</b>
<b>1.</b>	Kallmeyer Petty	Reconsider the request by the Cat Fashion club to allow CFA judges to judge both shows on the same day (ASC show in the afternoon) at its November 2, 2013 show in Israel.	<b>Motion Failed.</b> Bizzell, Roy, Shelton, Huhtaniemi, Eigenhauser and Kallmeyer voting yes.
<b>2.</b>	Anger Calhoun	Grant an exception to Show Rule 12.04 and allow the Pearl River Cat Club (International Division) and Passion Feline Fanciers (International Division) to change their licensed show format from 6 Allbreed to 5 Allbreed/1 Specialty at their October 5, 2013 show in Guangzhou, China.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>3.</b>	Anger Shelton	Grant an exception to Show Rule 12.04 and allow the Sandhills Cat Club to change their show license to add the Midlands Cat Fanciers as a co-sponsor of their October 12, 2013 show in Seward NE.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Brown and Anger abstained.
<b>4.</b>	Shelton Baugh	That Aloha Cat Fanciers be granted an exemption from Show Rule 15.08e for their show on October 26, 2013, to allow the use of fewer than 12 cages per judging ring.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Hannon did not vote. Kallmeyer abstained.
<b>5.</b>	Anger Ganoe	Grant an exception to Show Rule 12.04 and allow the Edelweiss Cat Club to add the Malta Cat Society as a co-sponsor of their September 29, 2013 show in Winterthur, Switzerland.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Roy and Eigenhauser did not vote.

	<b>Moved/ Seconded</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Vote</b>
<b>6.</b>	Anger Baugh	Grant the Cat Fanciers Club of Thailand an exception to Show Rule 25.13 for its show to be held in Bangkok, Thailand on December 21, 2013, to allow the use of up to 50% guest judges at its 2-ring show.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Altschul voting no.

### **RATIFICATION OF TELECONFERENCE MOTIONS**

	<b>Moved/ Seconded</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Vote</b>
<b>• From August 13, 2013 Teleconference •</b>			
<b>1.</b>	Baugh Meeker	Accept the retirement request from Stanley Barnaby.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>2.</b>	Executive Session	Elevate Stanley Barnaby to Judge Emeritus status.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> [vote sealed]
<b>3.</b>	Baugh Wilson	Advance Jacqui Bennett to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Special Approved Longhair, Approval Pending Allbreed.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>4.</b>	Baugh Meeker	Allow two trainees per specialty at the Jiang Nan Cat Club show in Shanghai China on November 9/10, 2013.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>5.</b>	Krzanowski Meeker	Approve the acceptance of Italy Cat Fancier (Region 9).	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>6.</b>	Krzanowski Kallmeyer	Approve the acceptance of Arabian Cats (International Division-Middle East).	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>7.</b>	Krzanowski Kallmeyer	Approve the acceptance of China Tao Yuan Fanciers Club (International Division-Asia, China).	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Altschul voting no.
<b>8.</b>	Krzanowski Eigenhauser	Approve the acceptance of Ice City Cat Fans Club (International Division-Asia, China).	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Altschul voting no.
<b>9.</b>	Krzanowski Kallmeyer	Approve the acceptance of Universal Cat Fanciers Alliance (International Division-Asia, China).	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Altschul voting no.
<b>10.</b>	Eigenhauser Meeker	Allow the China International Pedigree Cat Fanciers Club to add a 9th judge to each of their back-to-back shows held on October 12-13, 2013 and Oct 26-27, 2013 in Shanghai, China.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>

	<b>Moved/ Seconded</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Vote</b>
11.	Eigenhauser Kallmeyer	Ratify revised Show Rules 1.24, 4.03, 16.10 1., 17.02 and 18.19 (pre-noticed to the Annual Meeting Delegates as Resolution #6 and passed by greater than 2/3 margin) to clarify the language and the requirements to issue a Temporary Registration Number for a cat with two CFA-registered parents, effective immediately.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
12.	Krzanowski Meeker	Grant Sharon Roy the ability to award 3 special format shows, one for the International Division and two in North America.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
13.	Altschul Meeker	Purchase an app for the CFA Website that will allow visitors to the site to locate upcoming shows by their zip code.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
14.	Meeker Ganoe	Accept the Annual Manual as written, and change the Annual process focus back to Central Office.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
15.	Eigenhauser Meeker	Ratify the appointment of liaisons for the following committees:  Ambassador Program Willa Hawke, Chair; Sharon Roy, Liaison  Clerking Program Cheryl Coleman, Chair; Carol Krzanowski, Liaison  Community Outreach/Education Joan Miller, Chair; Tracy Petty, Liaison	<b>Motion Carried..</b>
16.	Wilson Baugh	Grant an extension to the Bengal group which is interested in applying for CFA registration to September 1 <sup>st</sup> .	<b>Motion Failed.</b> Meeker voting yes; Shelton abstained.
17.	Kallmeyer Meeker	Increase premiership grand points for China from 25 points to 50 points, beginning December 1 <sup>st</sup> .	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>• From September 10, 2013 Teleconference •</b>			
1.	Baugh Anger	Advance Jim Dinesen to Approved Allbreed status.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
2.	Baugh Anger	Advance Irina Kharchenko to Approved Allbreed status.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
3.	Baugh Anger	Advance Anne Mathis to Approved Allbreed status.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>

	<b>Moved/ Seconded</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Vote</b>
<b>4.</b>	Baugh Anger	Advance Irina Tokmakova to Approved Allbreed status.	<b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>5.</b>	Baugh Anger	Advance Yanina Lukashova-Vanwonderghem to Approved Allbreed status.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Altschul voting no. Wilson and Anger abstained.
<b>6.</b>	Anger Meeker	That the Board direct the Exotic Breed Council to put the proposal presented by the Persian Breed Council on the Exotic ballot, with the stipulation that the Exotic Breed Council will have until September 20, 2013, to compose a rationale.	<b>Motion Carried.</b> Shelton voting no.
<b>7.</b>	Krzanowski Baugh	Approve the acceptance of Sociedad Felina Colombiana (International Division-South America).	<b>Motion Carried.</b>

**Hamza:** I'm going to let Rachel ratify the online motions. **Anger:** Thank you. I have presented the report of the 6 online motions and the many motions that we dealt with during our teleconferences, and I would ask for ratification of those, please. **Eigenhauser:** So moved, George. **Meeker:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** George, have you had coffee yet? **Eigenhauser:** A cup and a half.

**Anger:** I also have received no corrections to the June 2013 minutes, so I am asking for the same motion to accept those, as published. **Eigenhauser:** So moved, George. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Anger:** Thank you. **Calhoun:** Jerry or Rachel or Jim? **Hamza:** You've got all 3 of our attention. Go ahead Kathy. **Calhoun:** Are we supposed to be viewing something? The view just says, "2013 October Board Meeting – Saturday". Is that what we're supposed to be seeing? **Simbro:** They shouldn't be seeing anything. **Hamza:** You shouldn't be seeing anything right now. Maybe that's just the cover page. **Simbro:** Until we share anything, that's just going to be it. **Hamza:** Information will pop up as we bring it up, and then I'll make sure I bring it to your attention that it should be in front of you, so it's probably a little different than it was last time, but I guess we're using a little different system.

(2) **CLUB APPLICATIONS.**

*Committee Co-Chairs: Liz Watson and Carol Krzanowski*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Presented new clubs applying to the CFA to be approved by the Board.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Three clubs were pre-noticed for membership. They are:*

- *China American Shorthair Fancier Club – International Division– Asia (China), Richard Kallmeyer, Chair*
- *Cat Alliance Thailand – International Division– Asia (Thailand), Richard Kallmeyer, Chair*
- *Fengtian Cat Fanciers Club – International Division– Asia (China), Richard Kallmeyer, Chair*

**Hamza:** Up next is Carol Krzanowski and Club Applications. **Krzanowski:** Yes, good morning. We had 3 clubs that were pre-noticed for this October board meeting – China American Shorthair Fancier Club, Cat Alliance Thailand and Fengtian Cat Fanciers Club. I'm going to put forth a standing motion to accept them, reserving the right to vote no.

***China American Shorthair Fancier Club  
International Division--Asia (Beijing, China), Richard Kallmeyer, Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are twenty members. No member is a member of other clubs. This is an American Shorthair club and they wish to hold Allbreed shows in Beijing as well as large cities in other provinces. The dues have been set. If disbanded the monies will go to rescue groups for stray animals. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. One letter of recommendation was received. The International Chair supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** The first club up will be the China American Shorthair Fancier Club, International Division. The constitution and bylaws are in order. They plan to hold allbreed shows in Beijing, as well as large cities in other provinces. The club was pre-noticed. No negative letters were received. Even though the report says one letter of recommendation was received, we did receive a second that came in after the report was written, and that was added to the file. It was from Phebe Low, a favorable recommendation from her. The International Chair supports this club. **Hamza:** Dick, do you want to say anything on behalf of this club?

**Kallmeyer:** Yeah. I'm very much in favor of it. These are American Shorthair breeders that are not really members of existing clubs. American Shorthairs actually play a large part of the Asia population. In fact, two of the three Best Cats for the Divisional Awards were Americans, and there are many more that qualified for the Division wins. These are all people that have been extremely helpful over the years. Rosa in China has done great work in getting the Ambassador

Program off the stick and get it started in Asia. So, I'm very much in favor of this club. **Hamza:** Can I get a motion? **Hannon:** She's got one. **Hamza:** Can I get a second? **Eigenhauser:** George seconds the standing motion.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Altschul voting no.

***Cat Alliance Thailand  
International Division--Asia (Bangkok, Thailand) Richard Kallmeyer, Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are twenty members. No member is a member of another club. This is an allbreed club that wishes to put on one show a year in Bangkok. If disbanded the monies will go to an organization for the welfare of cats. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Chair supports this club.*

**Hamza:** Go ahead. **Krzanowski:** The next club is Cat Alliance Thailand, also International Division. Their constitution and bylaws are in order. No members are members of another club. It's an allbreed club that wishes to put on one show a year in Bangkok. No negative letters were received and the International Chair supports this club. **Hamza:** Dick? **Kallmeyer:** Thailand is starting to get more and more shows. These are people that have gone to a lot of shows. Several of the people have actually produced shows for different clubs, but the clubs they worked for have moved up to Chiang Mai in northern Thailand, so this is a way to help promote in Thailand. **Anger:** Do we have a second? **Hamza:** I thought George seconded it.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** Welcome to the Cat Alliance Thailand.

***Fengtian Cat Fanciers Club  
International Division--Asia (Shenyang, China) Richard Kallmeyer, Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are twenty members. One member is a member of another club. This is an allbreed club that wishes to put on shows in the Shenyang area. If disbanded the monies will go to Shenyang Zoo or cat welfare societies. This club was pre-noticed as the Fengtian Cat Fanciers Association. They have changed their club name at our request and resubmitted their documents to reflect the name change. No negative letters have been received. The International Chair does not support this club.*

**Hamza:** Go ahead Carol. **Krzanowski:** The third club is the Fengtian Cat Fanciers Club, also International Division – Asia. The constitution and bylaws are in order. One member is a member of another club. This is an allbreed club that wishes to put on shows in Shenyang area. Everything else is in order. They changed their club name at our request because it was Fengtian Cat Association. I'm not really sure what it was originally, but they did change and resubmit all their documents to reflect the name change. No negative letters have been received, but the International Chair does not support this club. **Hamza:** Dick? **Kallmeyer:** Yeah. I think this club is premature, for a couple reasons. We checked the catalog and couldn't find that the members were really showing. In fact, we only found one cat shown by one of the members in the past couple months. They are tied in with the other Shenyang club and, in fact, before they were even



accepted, they wanted to get on the show calendar and have two shows the weekends after one another in December already. I think what they should do, since we don't really have a whole lot of infrastructure in Shenyang, I don't think we have a licensed clerk in Shenyang, that they continue to work with the Ice City Cat Club and then, as they develop and get more experience, we should let them in, but not now. **Anger:** This is Rachel. In that case, rather than bring them up for a vote, I would prefer that we table the application. **Kallmeyer:** No. I think we should bring it up for a vote, because it's going to be over a year before they are ready. **Eigenhauser:** I'll second the standing motion. George. **Hamza:** Dick, I have one question for you. **Kallmeyer:** Go ahead. **Hamza:** How do we present this idea that they're not ready, without discouraging them? **Kallmeyer:** I think the idea is that we have to recommend that they get experience with other clubs and that they start getting experience with clerking and master clerking with a current club. They can't import people for every show. There are shows in this area already, so they have the opportunity to get that experience. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** One of the things that I look at when I'm considering any new club and they're really contradictory is, are they bringing new people into CFA? That's always important, and this club obviously is. The other thing is, do they have enough CFA people in the club to really hold the club together to guide them and to being a good citizen in our community? If they don't have enough infrastructure in place already, then I agree with Dick that they are probably premature. We don't want to set them up to fail. That's not a good thing, either. They do need some experience in the club. We want to bring in new people on the one hand, but they need to have some experience in the club on the other hand in order to be able to know our procedures and be a part of our culture and be able to follow our rules. I agree with Dick that they need a little bit more work before they are going to be ready. **Kallmeyer:** One point here, when we're looking at some of these clubs, I sure like to see if they have existing catteries or what cats they are breeding as part of the membership list, too. I think that gives us a better idea of the extent of their involvement in CFA already. **Baugh:** This is Loretta. **Hamza:** Go ahead Loretta. **Baugh:** I guess my question is, they have already been requested to resubmit their documents. Is there somebody there that is working with them to get this the way it needs to be, for us to accept them? **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. They resubmitted their documents to us, only due to the name change. All of that has already been done. As far as if there is anyone in China who is assisting them, perhaps Dick could better answer that question. **Kallmeyer:** Like I said, the Ice City club did ask for a show date for this new club following up, so obviously they have a connection with the current club there. They could take advantage of that experience. **Baugh:** OK, thank you. **Hamza:** I don't know how we bridge this, but we told them we wanted them to change their name. They went back and changed their name. Now they have come back and we're going to tell them, "come back again". So, how do we tell them in a nice way to come back again, that we think they just need a little more experience? It sounds like they are working with another club to get it. That's my concern. **Petty:** Dick, have you talked to this club? Do they know your feelings on the matter? **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, I did explain they should have more experience. I think we should just explain they need more experience, that's all. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. I agree with Dick. We can just respond to them with the results of the vote, stating that they need some more experience and we would like to see them work more closely with the Ice City Cat Fanciers over the next year or so before reapplying. **Anger:** I still feel that we should table it. I don't want to turn them down, have them lose face, have them lose their application fee and have to start all over again. Is there some other option besides tabling it for a lengthy time or turning them down?

**Raymond:** The Constitution doesn't allow you to table it. You can either vote to accept, vote to reject or delay pending the receipt of additional information. This isn't a scenario where we are asking for additional information. **Anger:** We have tabled in the past, apparently incorrectly. Thanks, Ed. **Altschul:** I have two questions. One, are we going to be raising our hands with the little webinar thing or do we just say our names like we normally do? **Hamza:** I've learned to recognize your voices at this point. Why don't we try this for now. The little purple thing never worked out so great. **Altschul:** OK. My other question was, Dick, do I understand correctly that another club requested a show date for this club? **Kallmeyer:** No. This club requested a show date and the other club mentioned that they were going to jointly put on shows with this club. **Altschul:** It seems like if they are going to jointly put on shows, why doesn't the other club just put on the show? I don't understand. It's a prestige thing belonging to a club. **Hamza:** I'm going to call the vote.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Anger abstained.

**Meeker:** Jerry, this is Ginger. **Hamza:** Yes Ginger. **Meeker:** This brings up a question I've had for a while. Is there any option to have something like an associate club, where a new club applies and then serves sort of like apprenticeship with an ongoing club for a year before they are fully accepted? **Hamza:** We don't have any kind of mechanism in place. That's not to say we couldn't do that in instances. **Meeker:** It seems like in areas that are growing really, really rapidly and there's huge populations like in China, that might be a way to accomplish what everybody wants. We want to expand, but we want to expand sensibly. Thank you.

#### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Process and submit new club applications for consideration by the Board.*

#### **Time Frame:**

*October, 2013 to Board teleconference in November, 2013.*

#### **What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*All new clubs that have applied for membership*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Liz Watson and Carol Krzanowski, Co-Chairs*

**Hamza:** Alright. Thank you Carol. I like the way you put together the club applications. I just want you to know it was noticed. **Krzanowski:** Thank you.

(3) **PROTEST COMMITTEE.**

**Protest Committee Chair George Eigenhauser** gave the Protest Committee report containing recommendations for disposition of pending matters. **Motion Carried [vote sealed].**

*Committee Chair: George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*  
*Committee Members: Dick Kallmeyer, Betsy Arnold, Norman Auspitz, Joel Chaney and Pam Huggins*  
*Animal Welfare: Linda Berg;*  
*Asian ID liaison: Sara Tsui*  
*European ID liaison: George Cherrie*  
*Japan liaison: Yukiko Hayata*  
*Judging liaison: Norman Auspitz*  
*Legal Counsel: Ed Raymond*

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In an executive discussion, a policy was adopted that the board has deemed it inappropriate to send direct solicitations on an open protest to board members. That type of statement should go through the Protest Committee, who will then include it in the official protest file so it may be considered by the Board

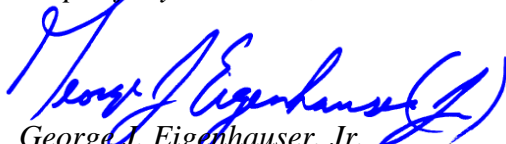
**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Protest Committee met telephonically on September 9, 2032. Participating were George Eigenhauser, Dick Kallmeyer, Betsy Arnold, Norman Auspitz, Joel Chaney, Pam Huggins and Linda Berg.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Ongoing protest investigations and recommendations.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

  
*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*  
*Protest Committee Chairman*

**(4) JUDGING PROGRAM.**

**Judging Program Chair Loretta Baugh** presented the following report and made all standing motions with the right to vote no:

**Committee Chair:** *Loretta Baugh – Letters of Complaint; Board of Directors Meeting Reports; General Communication and Oversight*

**List of Committee Members:** *Norman Auspitz – Representative on the CFA Protest Committee; Mentor Program Administrator; Domestic Training and File Administrator*  
*Pat Jacobberger – Education Chair*  
*Rick Hoskinson – Domestic Training and File Administrator*  
*Jan Stevens – Domestic Training and File Administrator; Secretary (keeps all files/records and compiles Board report)*  
*Donna Isenberg – New Applicants (inquiries, queries, follow ups, counseling); May teach Judging Application Process at Breed Awareness & Orientation School, Application/Advisor Coordinator*  
*Wayne Trevathan – Japan and International Division Trainee and File Administrator; guest judge (CFA judges in approved foreign associations, licensed judges from approved foreign associations in CFA)*  
*Peter Vanwonderghem – European Liaison; Application Advisor - Europe*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*A thank you note was received from Yanina Lukashova-Vanwonderghem, Irina Kharchenko and Anne Mathis for their advancement to Approval Allbreed.*

**Acceptance/Advancements:** *The following individuals are presented to the Board for acceptance/advancement:*

**Accept as Trainee:**

<i>Marilee Griswold</i>	<i>Blythewood SC</i>	<i>SH - 1st Specialty</i>	<i>19 yes</i>
<i>Doreann Nasin</i>	<i>Franklin CT</i>	<i>SH – 2nd Specialty</i>	<i>19 yes</i>

*(Doreann should be coming up for advancement in December to AP/LH)*

**Accept as Approval Pending Allbreed**

<i>Dmitriy Gubenko</i>	<i>Cherkasy, Ukraine</i>	<i>2 yes (Eigenhauser, Calhoun)</i>
		<i>17 no</i>

**Permission given to CFA Judges to guest judge non-CFA International Shows:**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>City/Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Abelson, Vicki</i>	<i>WCA</i>	<i>Nika Feline</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>10/06/13</i>
<i>Currle, Kenny</i>	<i>ASC</i>	<i>Supercats</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>09/07/13</i>
<i>DelaBar, Pam</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>World Cat Show</i>	<i>Odessa, Ukraine</i>	<i>03/29-30/14</i>
<i>Dodds, Nancy</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Federation Feline Francaise</i>	<i>Aix les Bains, France</i>	<i>11/16-17/13</i>
<i>Kharchenko, Irina</i>	<i>WCA</i>	<i>Nika Feline</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>10/06/13</i>
<i>Raymond, Allan</i>	<i>ACF</i>	<i>Gold Coast Cat Club</i>	<i>Gold Coast, Australia</i>	<i>02/08/14</i>
<i>Rogers, Jan</i>	<i>NZCF</i>	<i>New Zealand Cat Fancy</i>	<i>Auckland, NZ</i>	<i>09/07/14</i>
<i>Trevathan, Wayne</i>	<i>ASC</i>	<i>Supercats</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>09/08/13</i>
	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Gottenburg Breed Cat Club</i>	<i>Gottenburg, Sweden</i>	<i>02/08-09/14</i>

**Permission given to non-CFA Judges to guest judge CFA Shows:**

<i>Judge</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>CFA Show</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Boisselle, Roger</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>New England Meow Outfit</i>	<i>Sturbridge, MA</i>	<i>10/12-13/13</i>
<i>Chernova, Elena</i>	<i>WCA</i>	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Sophia, Bulgaria</i>	<i>09/15/13</i>
		<i>Spanish Cat Club</i>	<i>Barcelona, Spain</i>	<i>09/22/13</i>
<i>Davies, Allan</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Cat Fanciers of Thailand</i>	<i>Bangkok, Thailand</i>	<i>07/27-28/13</i>
<i>Dubrovskaya, Galina</i>	<i>WCA</i>	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>10/27/13</i>
		<i>Moscow Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>12/07-08/13</i>
<i>Gnatkevich, Elena</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Cleopella Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Talin, Estonia</i>	<i>10/12-13/13</i>
<i>Grebneva, Olga</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Spanish Cat Club</i>	<i>Barcelona, Spain</i>	<i>09/22/13</i>
		<i>Dutch Purrpuss</i>	<i>Rotterdam, Netherlands</i>	<i>11/02-03/13</i>
		<i>Cat Friends of Germany</i>	<i>Niedernhausen, Germany</i>	<i>12/01/13</i>
<i>Gubenko, Dmitriy</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>German Catwalk</i>		<i>08/03-04/13</i>
		<i>Cat Fanciers Society of Indonesia</i>	<i>Jakarta, Indonesia</i>	<i>09/22/13</i>
<i>Korotonozhkina, Olga</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Winterhur, Switzerland</i>	<i>09/29/13</i>
<i>Lemaigre, Marie-Claud</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>France Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Deville Les Rouen France</i>	<i>11/09-10/13</i>

<i>Mobius, Andreas</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>France Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Deville Les Rouen France</i>	<i>11/09-10/13</i>
<i>Nazarova, Anna</i>	<i>WCA</i>	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>09/07-08/13</i>
<i>Rakitnyh, Olga</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Dutch Purrpuss</i>	<i>Rotterdam, Netherlands</i>	<i>11/02-03/13</i>
<i>U'Ren, Cheryle</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Cat Fanciers of Thailand</i>	<i>Bangkok, Thailand</i>	<i>07/27-28/13</i>
		<i>Great West China Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Shengdu, China</i>	<i>06/08-09/13</i>
<i>U'Ren, Rod</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Great West China Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Shengdu, China</i>	<i>06/08-09/13</i>
		<i>Cat Fanciers of Thailand</i>	<i>Bangkok, Thailand</i>	<i>07/27-28/13</i>

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Loretta Baugh  
Committee Chair*

***JUDGES' GIFTS  
VERSION 1***

*Clubs are not expected to give judges gifts to the judges that are presiding at a show. However, should they want to either continue the practice or have a practice in place to do so, the value of the gift should not exceed \$50.00. Charitable donations are not restricted. If clubs give gifts to their judges, they should be providing the same gift or equivalent to all their judges.*

*In some cultures, the refusal of a gift may be considered an insult. In any instance, if a judge is uncomfortable with a particular gift, accept the gift and subsequently contact the Judging Program chair for additional direction.*

*Gifts from exhibitors in conjunction with a show are never acceptable. Personal gift exchanges, should be traded when any individual is not presiding as a CFA Judge.*

***JUDGES' GIFTS  
VERSION 2***

*Gifts from exhibitors in conjunction with a show are never acceptable.*

*Judges are prohibited from accepting gifts from exhibitors from the time they leave their place of residence until they return home. This time is considered to be 'in conjunction with a show'.*

*Clubs are not expected or encouraged to give judges' gifts to the judges that are presiding at a show. However, should they want to either continue the practice or have a practice in place to do so, some suggestions are: donations to the Winn Foundation or the CFA Legislative Fund in the name of each judge, CFA funds or gift cards not to exceed \$50 in value.*

*If clubs give gifts to their judges, they should be providing the same gift or equivalent to all their judges.*

*In some cultures, the refusal of a gift may be considered an insult. If this occurs, you should accept the gift on behalf of CFA and consult with the Judging Program chair about how the gift should be treated.*

[from Sunday] **Hamza:** Now we're in open session. Judges' gifts. **Calhoun:** Loretta, do you want to talk about it, or do you want me to start? **Baugh:** Hello. I sent out two options. I took the comments that were made in September, and those are in the second version. Kathy and I had a discussion on Thursday night. She wrote the first version, and I'm going to let her take the lead on it at this point. Kathy, go ahead. **Calhoun:** First of all, I just want to give the board a little perspective on my position. **Hamza:** Kathy, we can't hear you. **Calhoun:** Can you hear me know? **Hannon:** Barely. **Hamza:** Loretta, are you familiar enough to do this, because we just can't hear her. **Baugh:** Try again Kathy, because I could hear you. [**Calhoun** leaves the conference] **Hamza:** That's way better. **Baugh:** She's going to call back in. **Hamza:** Her voice on the record for the conference is fine. **Hannon:** I never got either of these, so you're going to have to explain both options. **Baugh:** Are you there yet, Kathy? As I said, I took the comments that were made from September and wrote what was the second version. That was my assessment of what the board was looking for. When Kathy and I spoke the other night, she felt that it was too severe. She's got major concerns about, first off, the ability to enforce it. [**Calhoun** joins the conference] OK, you go ahead and talk. **Calhoun:** OK. I just wanted to state, my going-in position is that I really think that adding another policy is probably not necessary. I'm not sure if the instance that started us down this track, if those individuals have been counseled at all. I think that probably would have been the first step. I don't know if that happened. Given that, I do think that a revision of the first version may be more appropriate, and I'll tell you the reasons why. One of the things that I took out of the second version was the door-to-door restriction. I think we all have to use a little bit of good judgment and assume that judges have a level of integrity that is not compromised by those sorts of things, particularly if they happen outside of the ring. For instance, if that remains in the policy, that would restrict – I'm in a club, Just Cat-In Around. At Christmas time, we have a gift exchange at dinner. None of the judges could participate in that because they violate the policy, because this is portal to portal. I think that those sorts of things that happen outside of the ring, that judges have a level of integrity and so do exhibitors and so do clubs. I don't think that should be restricted, so I would suggested that that sentence be taken out. I would suggest that also a sentence be added, which is the one about exhibitors are never to give a gift to a judge if they are acting in the capacity as a CFA judge. If a judge is at a show and they are not judging and they are given a gift, or somebody exchanges a birthday gift or a card, I don't think that should be restricted. So basically that's the difference between the two.

**Baugh:** Kathy, you also mentioned the value of gifts relative to the country of original. **Calhoun:** Thank you for bringing that up, Loretta. I think one of the things you also have to take into consideration, that a gift that may be manufactured in a given country and given to someone, if you bring it over to the United States, the value may be different. An item that is produced in China or Japan may cost significantly less in China or Japan than it would in the United States. I didn't opt to take the \$50 restriction out. I think that's still a good restriction, but we also have to

understand that there are those differences in economies. **Anger:** One thing I would like to add is, if a judge is in a position where they are given a gift, they can't research where it came from, what the value of it was – gifts obviously don't come with a receipt – so some of this we have to take on faith. If a judge is in any kind of a position where they are concerned, they should make a donation of that gift to an appropriate charity – to the club they're judging for, to go in the raffle. I've done that before. Or, another judge and I were in a position where the club gave us a wonderful personalized gift that the other judge and I donated to the Museum. So, there's other options that a judge can exercise, besides finding themselves in a compromising situation. For instance, the incident that brought this up, I'm not very savvy when it comes to expensive ink pens. I might have thought that was a \$20 pen or a \$50 pen. I wouldn't have known. In fact, I didn't realize there was an ink pen that could cost over \$1,000. I went to Amazon. You can spend many thousands of dollars on an ink pen. **Hamza:** Yes, it's amazing. **Anger:** I've been around, but I didn't know that. **Hannon:** Can we quote you on that? You've "been around"? **Hamza:** It will be in the minutes. **Calhoun:** The people that got the pens and the club that gave the pens as gifts, has anyone had any conversations with them? **Kallmeyer:** Dick here. **Hamza:** Dick go ahead. **Kallmeyer:** I think the pen event was actually pretty harmless. These are wealthy people and they were among judges, and they just gave the gift. It wasn't like they were tying conditions to them. We've had cases of probably lesser value gifts where maybe the cats' numbers were on there and the judges probably didn't realize it, either. It wasn't a case where the judge was unduly influenced. I think in this case it was just young kids that had some money. I like the option 1. I think we probably need guidelines. I think the key here is discretion. We don't want to encourage the overt giving of gifts before the ring. It should be discreet. It should not be specialized toward one judge and it shouldn't be a gift to influence the decisions of the judge. So, I think the judges have to use their own brains and figure it out. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** With all due respect to the judges, this was never about the judge. This is about the appearance of impropriety. There are regular campaigners that schmooze and kiss butt and make gifts to judges, and it creates a horrible impression in all the rest of the fancy. Regardless of the level of integrity of the judging panel, it's still an ugly thing to see. This isn't about whether it actually influences the judges. I never believe this kind of nonsense ever actually influences judges. The question is, when people see this, does it create a bad impression? The answer is unequivocally yes. That's why I like option 2. It's not that big a deal to say, "You're on the CFA clock from the moment you leave your door until you get back home. You expect to be reimbursed for your expenses during that time. You expect to be cared for by the club during that time. You are on during that entire time, so we should prohibit gifts during that period of time from individual exhibitors." Just because they do it 5 minutes after you finish judging doesn't make it look any better, or they do it at dinner when they take the judge out to dinner at night, or they do it in the parking lot on the way there doesn't make it any better. A judge should not be accepting gifts from the moment they leave their door to the moment they get home. It has nothing to do with influencing judges; it has to do with the way it looks to all the rest of CFA when they see judges taking gifts. **Hamza:** You know, George is exactly right. It is the look of impropriety. Dick, to go back to your case, I'm sure that those pens were entirely innocent, but there was an uproar around the fancy about it, with people who don't understand. It's always better in these instances to err on the side of caution. From my impression from talking to judges, I don't think that they need nor particularly want this kind of attention. I think erring on the side of caution, you start with proposal 2 and if it runs into too much trouble, you look at the parts



that you're having trouble with and you go back. I see 2 as embodying everything this board talked about last time. I think it's what we wanted. I don't think it's necessarily damaging. Rachel. **Anger:** I've changed my outlook on accepting either one of the policies. At first I thought, you can't take a philosophy and make it a reality that would apply to everybody equally. I think 99% of us have never been in that position. There's a few people that are apparently; otherwise, we wouldn't be talking about this. At first I thought this was going to make us all look like we've done it in the past and now we need a policy where we can't do it anymore. Hopefully, this will come across as something that will address the small percentage of people that do it and judges that accept it. The rest of us that have never been in a position where we've been faced with that situation, if we ever are it will give us a policy to use. I'm supporting either one. I like version 1 that is less harsh. **Calhoun:** This is Kathy. **Hamza:** Go ahead Kathy. **Calhoun:** If we have to have a version, I would hope that we would support version 1. I do think that sentence of "portal to portal", judges are human beings. Judges have friends. This has nothing to do with influencing finals or those sorts of things. We know that. But to put a judge in a position that you can't go in a hotel room and exchange a Christmas gift without breaking a policy is, I think, a little restrictive. **Hannon:** It's the appearance. **Hamza:** It is the appearance. **Calhoun:** I can see restricting what happens in the show hall, where we're restricting to that degree. What happens in those situations that are innocent, I have a real problem with that. **Hamza:** I think it's more the appearance. Not everybody understands the relationships between some of the judges and some of the exhibitors, especially new people. It's very hard to understand that sometimes we were friends with these people before they were judges even. The history is hard for newer people to imagine. After you're here for a long time, you get a much better understand than the person who has been here for a season or two. Those people we want to retain.

**Baugh:** Jerry, this is Loretta. **Hamza:** Go ahead Loretta. **Baugh:** I would be comfortable with Version 2 if we took out the second sentence. **Hamza:** What's the second sentence? **Baugh:** I think saying that, *Judges are prohibited from accepting gifts from exhibitors from the time they leave their place of residence until they return home. This time is considered to be 'in conjunction with a show'*. **Eigenhauser:** Isn't that Version 1? **Baugh:** No, it's Version 2. **Eigenhauser:** I'm saying, when you take that sentence out, it becomes Version 1. **Calhoun:** To Jerry's point – **Baugh:** Hold on. It doesn't really, because what it does, the first sentence says what we want it to say. *Gifts from exhibitors in conjunction with a show are never acceptable.* That is the first statement. That's not the first statement in Version 1. Version 1 is talking about clubs giving gifts to judges. That was why I was referring to 2. **Eigenhauser:** It's the next to the last sentence in Version 1. **Hamza:** Why don't we do this? Why don't we – **Kallmeyer:** There's a severity here, too. What if you have an exhibitor-vendor that gives a cat toy to a judge? **Hamza:** Again, that shouldn't happen. It just should be very black and white. I think once the policy gets rolling, I think people are going to hardly notice it. Good policies never get tested, maybe just a little bit. I think it will be respected if we put the right policy in place. **Kallmeyer:** It's going to be really hard to tell them in China, just from the Asian languages. We have no real vehicle for communication there. **Hamza:** We don't even have to have it go into effect immediately. It can go into effect next show season, and then everybody's got plenty of time to get used to the idea.

**Baugh:** This is Loretta. I have a question that I think is pertinent. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Baugh:** Where are we going to put this? Because policies tend to be in the minutes and then they're forgotten. The only time something really has any meat is when it's in the rules. **Hamza:** Luckily, we happen to have Monte Phillips right on the line. We heard him arguing with his dearly betrothed, so we know he's here. **Phillips:** That is correct. **Baugh:** Is there a place in the show rules for a judges' gift policy? **Phillips:** You can make one up, but there isn't one now. **Hamza:** That's probably the best. Tracy, Rich and then George, did you want to say something? **Eigenhauser:** We can always put it under *Responsibilities of Judges*. **Petty:** That was actually my question. Is this to be aimed at the judges or the exhibitors, or both? **Hamza:** It should be both, actually. **Wilson:** This is Annette. **Hamza:** Go ahead Annette. **Wilson:** I thought this was aimed at clubs, so shouldn't it be a show management responsibility? **Baugh:** I think it's also aimed at exhibitors. **Hamza:** I think the truth is, Ed just said it should be aimed at everyone. I think it is a policy that is aimed at the culture of CFA. So, that would include clubs, judges and exhibitors. **Kallmeyer:** Doesn't AKC have relatively strict restrictive requirements? Where do they put this? I think they get into that exhibitors aren't allowed to talk to the judges or something. Maybe we ought to do some research on that. **Calhoun:** This is Kathy. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Calhoun:** If you really want to get at the thing that's probably more visible, when judges have dinner with exhibitors. This could just continue to snowball. I think we do probably need to do a little bit more research and find out, like what Dick was referring to, before we go and put something like this in the show rules. I think we need to do a lot more work on this. **Bizzell:** This is Carla. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carla. **Bizzell:** I just have kind of a housekeeping question. If we should vote for Version 2, what exactly is *CFA funds* and if that means a credit for CFA goods and services, a question for James, will our new system handle such credits? **Simbro:** It certainly could be implemented pretty easily, yeah. **Bizzell:** OK. I just wanted to make sure it wasn't another manual process. **Simbro:** That credit would have to be entered into the system manually, I suppose. It will be pretty easy. **Bizzell:** I just wanted to make sure it could be tracked internally to where if someone wanted to use, let's say, since I'm still breeding cats and I get one of these credits, then I can use it to register a litter without someone having to do something manual, aside from enter the credit in the system. **Hamza:** The answer is yes. **Baugh:** Then it's a question of, if we're going to adopt and, if so, which one? We can come back certainly at the next meeting or two with the research of where it needs to be placed, if we're going to do it. **Hamza:** I would like to vote on 2 first and then, if that fails, go to 1. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser, Ganoe, Krzanowski, Meeker, Brown, Altschul, Huhtaniemi, Shelton, Koizumi voting yes. Mastin, Anger, Bizzell, Roy, Calhoun, Kallmeyer, Petty and Wilson voting no. Baugh and Hannon abstained. Hamza voting yes to break tie.

**Baugh:** I'm abstaining because I'm comfortable either way. **Hannon:** I'm abstaining because I haven't seen it. **Mastin:** Who else hasn't seen it? **Hannon:** That's the problem when we send these things out at the last minute. **Mastin:** I've got it here if you want to read it. **Hannon:** I don't want to read it now. I wanted to be able to study it before this meeting. **Hamza:** Let's do the yes votes. Rachel, do you have any idea? **Anger:** All I have is Mastin and Anger voting no, and Baugh and Hannon abstaining. **Eigenhauser:** George is a yes. **Ganoe:** Dennis is a

yes. **Krzanowski:** Carol is a yes. **Meeker:** Ginger is a yes. **Brown:** Roger is a yes. **Altschul:** Carissa. **Huhtaniemi:** Pauli is yes. **Bizzell:** Carla is a no. **Roy:** Sharon is a no. **Calhoun:** Kathy is a no. **Kallmeyer:** Dick is a no. **Anger:** I have yes votes, Eigenhauser, Gano, Krzanowski, Meeker, Brown, Altschul, Huhtaniemi. That's 7. The no votes are Mastin, Anger, Bizzell, Roy, Calhoun, Kallmeyer. **Petty:** Petty, no. **Shelton:** Shelton was a yes. **Koizumi:** Koizumi is a yes. **Anger:** Koizumi is yes? **Baugh:** So, it's tied. **Anger:** No. **Hamza:** I'm going to break the tie and vote yes, with pleasure. Second time in my history I get to vote.

**Hamza:** So, I guess what we need to do next is figure out how we want to get this in the show rules. Monte, as long as you're here, I think the general consensus is that it needs to be with all 3 parties, which would be the judges, exhibitors and the clubs. **Hannon:** Didn't we just give him the exercise of removing all duplications? Now we're telling him to put it in 3 places. **Hamza:** It applies differently to each. **Phillips:** Not really. I haven't seen it yet, but my proposal will be, when I get it, to put it in 10.09. **Hamza:** OK. As long as you cover those 3 areas in one place, that's fine. Once you get it, if you can just tell us, you're the guy that seems to be able to get these things in place, in a way where it makes sense. **Baugh:** Monte, I'm going to forward it to you in just a minute.

(5) **CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.**

*Committee Chair: Donna Jean Thompson*  
*List of Committee Members: Kristi Wollam – Administrative Assistant*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Along with our routine day to day activities we have received numerous calls regarding the USDA APHIS rule changes. Double, major kudos go to George Eigenhauser, Sharon Coleman and Joan Miller who have kept all of us so informed and up to date on the legal implications as well as Kathy Durdick our web mistress who kept our site so timely updated.*

*We received a thank you not for granting the request of the Cat Fanciers Club of Thailand for granting their December 21<sup>st</sup> show request.*

*We received the DNA test results for the Sire, Dam and Kitten whose parentage was questioned.*

*The tests were performed at the University of California, Davis and confirm the kitten qualifies as the offspring of the registered parents. The cat has been registered in the correct color and all awards maintained.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Central Office preparations for the Annual Breed Council balloting are very near completion and ballots will be sent later this month.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*November of course brings the World Show. How exciting to read in the CFA News that both shows are near filling. Central Office is doing all in its power to make the show an ongoing success.*

**Action Items:**

*Central Office has no Action Items for this month.*

**What will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*We will continue to submit requests, questions, and problems that may require Board action and/or input.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Donna Jean Thompson*

**Hamza:** Next up is Central Office. I don't have anything. Does that mean, Donna Jean, you have nothing? **Thompson:** I have no action items. I did send out a brief report up to Rachel, which I think she emailed out to everyone. **Anger:** Yes. **Hamza:** OK, does anybody have any

questions? OK. Well, this might be a good chance to start catching back up with the schedule, which we never will.

(6) **TREASURER’S REPORT.**

Treasurer **Carla Bizzell** gave the following report:

Overall Performance

*I am pleased to report that CFA’s overall financial performance was profitable through August with a total net income of \$17,747, compared to a budgeted net loss of (\$29,771).*

Key Financial Indicators

Ordinary Income—Registrations and Related Services

*Revenue from Litters and Individual Cat Registrations (excluding Registration via Pedigree) is \$5,050 better than budget and \$4,048 better than the prior year. Registration via pedigree is down slightly from the same period last year and also down compared to budget.*

*Below is a table showing registration numbers based on revenue for YTD August 2013 compared to FY 2012.*

<b>YTD August</b>	<b>Litter Registration Revenue</b>	<b>Cat Registration Revenue</b>
2012	\$74,130	\$104,638
2013	74,620	108,196
% Change	0.7%	3.4%

*As you can see, the revenue from of litters is up slightly and revenue from registration of cats/kittens is up 3.4%.*

*Ordinary income is down a total of \$1,874 and is also slightly less than the budgeted amount. The areas showing improvement compared to the prior year are Cattery Registrations (up \$7,703), Breed Council Dues (up \$1,285) and Show Entry Surcharge (up \$1,578). Items of concern in the ordinary income arena are Show License Fees (Down \$2,285) and Transfer of Ownership (down \$1,740 from the same period last year).*

**Hamza:** Carla, why don’t you get into the Treasurer’s Report? **Bizzell:** OK. I don’t have a whole lot to add to the written materials. Just a couple of comments. I’m going to try to not read this. I tend to want to do that every time, and since it’s already in print, that’s kind of silly, but we are in good financial position. We are tracking ahead of budget, year to date. Our litter registration and cat registration revenue is up, which is always a good sign – up against last year’s numbers.

### Other Income/Expense

*This category includes Interest Income and Expense as well as Rental Income and is up \$1,274 compared to the same period last year.*

**Bizzell:** Ordinary income is down slightly from budget, but it's .3% off budget, which on nearly half a million dollars' worth of revenue is not a bad miss.

### Events

*The World Show was the only event in this category. The income and expense related to the show are being moved to the Balance Sheet until the show has taken place.*

**Bizzell:** The World Show expenses are starting to come in, mostly just air fare of judges such that all of those expenses are being deferred to the balance sheet until November, when we have most of the income booked for the show.

### Yearbook

*The Yearbook is running favorable to budget by \$5,163. Yearbook advertising is up compared to budget.*

**Bizzell:** On to Yearbook. Yearbook is running favorable to budget and the good news is, we have more advertising income this year than we expected.

### Almanac

*On-Line Almanac and Cat Talk continue to share a business area due to the combination subscriptions. Overall, combined On-Line Almanac and Cat Talk are showing a net loss of (\$4,609) which is \$513 better than budgeted amount.*

**Bizzell:** Almanac is running essentially on budget.

### Marketing Area

*There is a net profit of \$5,050 in the Marketing Area year to date compared to a budgeted net loss of (\$5,455).*

### Central Office

*Total Central Office expenses of \$281,993 were favorable to both to the budget of \$304,625 and the prior year's \$295,197. We continue to seek ways to reduce operation costs.*

**Bizzell:** Central Office expenses are down. One of the big things, though, is the amortization of software. Since we haven't installed our new registration program yet, we don't have any amortization expense yet. So, that's one of the things that was kind of vague, kind of phantom good news in that it's just a delay of when the expenses are going to hit.

Computer

*Computer Expense is down sharply from last year as expected. The area is also running favorable to budget.*

**Bizzell:** Computer expense is down sharply from last year. We expected that, because last year we were still building up our computer equipment there in Central Office.

CFA Programs

*The CFA Programs area is running \$9,812 favorable to budget primarily due to timing of Club Assistance awards and expenses and the timing of International Division expenses.*

**Bizzell:** The CFA Program area is favorable to budget, and that's probably mostly due to timing. Club assistance and corporate expense is unfavorable to budget, and that's primarily due to travel expenses to the Annual.

Corporate Expense

*Total Corporate Expense compared unfavorably to the budget primarily due to expenses related to the Annual.*

Legislative Expense

*Legislative Expense is running just slightly favorable to budget.*

**Bizzell:** Legislative expense is just slightly favorable to budget, but essentially on the budget.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carla Bizzell, Treasurer*

**Bizzell:** That's the Treasurer's report. Fairly good news. **Hamza:** One of the things that we all should be proud of is that we're seeing month after month increase in registration and registration revenue – litter registration and cat registration. We are growing, folks. We are in the right direction. We have what I believe is slow, sustainable growth and I would be very cautious in the future to leave of this model while we're experiencing this growth. So, that's good news. By the way, we're in open session since after the Judging Program, so the Central Office and all these are in open session. Does anybody have any questions on the Treasurer's Report?

**Calhoun:** Yeah. This is Kathy. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Calhoun:** At some point in time, and maybe I've missed it, but we were going to review the World Show budget. **Bizzell:** Yes, we did that, two meetings ago. **Calhoun:** Can we get another copy, or can I get a copy? **Bizzell:** Certainly. I can send it to you. It might be on File Vista, but if not I will send you a copy. **Wilson:** Actually, the motion that we passed was to review it at every meeting. **Bizzell:** As far as I know, the budget has not changed from the original budget submitted, I think it was two meetings ago. I haven't received any requests to revise the actual budget, but I can certainly make



sure it's on File Vista and/or send it to the board list. **Calhoun:** It's on File Vista. I was of the same impression, too, that it was going to be a standing – that we would have a status report of how we were progressing against this budget. **Hamza:** It's really hard until the expenses start to come in. We know what we have budgeted them as and they are in the budget report, so right now we're in the process of, as we get bills – and they will start to come in now as we start to generate. We're just on the cusp of generating bills for this show, so as the bills come in, then we'll be able to put actual expenses versus budgeted expenses into that spreadsheet. In reality, that process probably won't end until sometime late in January. If past performance has been an issue, we really haven't been able to settle up with the show hall, as far as things like the decorator and the dressage and stuff until well after the event. Maybe this year we're hoping we have a few things in place that are different. We very well may have budget versus actual figures complete by the first of the year, which would be really nice to have. The board has to understand, from here on, we're right on the cusp of the show until we get all the expenses in. I'm sure that Carla will do her best to update as actual costs to come in, to put them on that report versus budgeted costs, so we can see how actually we did against how we thought we would do. I don't know a whole lot more of what we could provide, other than that. **Calhoun:** So, the budget shows that we were supposed to get \$35,000 of corporate sponsorship. Does that seem to be on track, Carla? **Bizzell:** Yes. We only put in what we knew we had coming. We didn't put anything that was not a sure deal in there. There was always the potential we could bring in more. I have not heard that that has happened, but there should be no issue with the amount that's in the budget. **Hamza:** Mark, you had a comment? **Hannon:** I thought we were ahead of that. I don't want to say in open session what we've got from whom, but I thought we had money from three corporate sponsors, right? **Hamza:** And you know what, Mark? I agree with you, but at this point it's just better to let it come in and see how it stacks up against budget. I am fairly certain that we are going to meet what was budgeted, as far as sponsorship. If we exceed our expectations, that's good but we should wait until those figures are finally totaled up. Does anybody else have anything, or can we move on to the Audit Committee?

(7) **AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.**

*Committee Chair: Carla Bizzell*  
*List of Committee Members: Karen Boyce, Karen Godwin, Bob Johnston, Ed Raymond*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Began work on IRS forms 990 and 990T in conjunction with audit firm.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Continue work on IRS Forms 990 and 990T.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*IRS Forms 990 and 990T will be transmitted to the Board upon completion.*

**Action Items:**

*None*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carla Bizzell, Chair*

**Hamza:** Alright Carla, let's move on to the Audit Committee. **Bizzell:** OK. Really, the only thing that's going on in this area at the moment is, we're working on the 990 and 990T with the audit firm. They requested information, I have sent them information. They are of course working from the financial information they already have in hand. Now, I'm just waiting to get a draft back from them to review. They typically have me help sort through the different categories of expenditures, and that's something that will take a little bit of time but as soon as we have something that's ready to be filed, I'll send it to the board. I was collecting hours spent by each board member. I heard back from most, but I need to go through and see if I'm missing anyone else that I need to hear from and individually contact you. **Hamza:** Any questions on the Audit Committee Report.

(8) **BUDGET COMMITTEE.**

*Committee Chair: Carla Bizzell*  
*List of Committee Members: Chuck Gradowski, Bob Johnston, Rich Mastin*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Committee reviews monthly financial reports and detailed financial transactions, payroll reports and weekly bank balances.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*We continue to review and approve financial transactions on a daily/weekly/monthly basis.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The 2014-2015 Budget process will begin in February.*

**Action Items:** *None.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*The Committee will present CFA's year-to-date financial progress compared to budget.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carla Bizzell, Chair*

**Hamza:** OK, moving right along to the Budget Committee. **Bizzell:** The Budget Committee looks at the financial results every month and reviews the detail information. We also are involved with approving expenditures. The only other thing I have to add is, we will start the budget process in February, so if you have an area that you need a budget for, this is a little perhaps premature to start thinking about it, but we'll be looking for late February submission of budget requests. **Hamza:** You know, Carla, as soon as your committee can come up with a budget deadline, I think that would be as helpful as anything. Just to remind this board, this last year was the first year in any recollected memory that the CFA budget was finished and approved before the year actually began, which is a very good trend and something that should continue to happen. To allow this to happen at the highest possible efficiency, it's important that the committees get their reports in to the Budget Committee on time. Having said that, it's important that the Budget Committee lets the rest of CFA know when that deadline can be, so the board can bless it. **Bizzell:** I would say, end of February for budget requests, but I will publish that as we get closer to it, and by end of March we should have a draft budget to go to the board for approval. **Hamza:** Rachel, would you put it on the December meeting, that we come up with some official policy from the board that as long as Carla, at that time if you don't see any problem with that, at the December meeting we will discuss and approve a policy that requires committee members to have their budget submitted annually by the last day of February. Does anybody have any questions on the Budget Committee? OK, thank you Carla.

(9) **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

*Committee Chair: Rich Mastin*  
*Liaison to Board: Carla Bizzell*  
*List of Committee Members: Carla Bizzell Chuck Gradowski, Bob Johnston,*  
*Ed Raymond & Rich Mastin*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Club Sponsorships (Review Applications & Approve), World Show, Monthly Financial Statement Reviews Compared to Previous Year and Budget, Weekly Bank Balance Review, Bi-Weekly Payroll Review, Review and Advise on Central Office Needs Pertaining to: contracts, employee benefits, insurance, etc.).*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Same as Past Committee Activities – the activities above are tended to on a daily, weekly, monthly and or quarterly basis depending on such activity.*

*Assist in securing Corporate Sponsorships and develop strong relationships between Sponsors and CFA.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Continue to; process and award club sponsorships in a timely manner, remain focused on organizations overall financial stability, building strong relationships with corporate sponsors, assist central office on needed basis.*

**Board Action Items:**

*None at this time.*

**Time Frame:**

*On-going.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Rich Mastin, Chair*

**Hamza:** Next up is the Finance Committee. That's Rich Mastin. **Mastin:** I was a little late submitting my report to Rachel for this meeting, so I sent it to everybody sometime today. I don't remember if it was this morning or this afternoon, so you have that in your email. We have no action items at this time. If you have any questions, feel free. **Hamza:** Any questions for Rich?

(10) **INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.**

**International Division Committee Chair Richard Kallmeyer** gave the following report:

**Hamza:** Next up is the International Division and that's Dick. **Kallmeyer:** By the way, since June we've had seven of the new clubs put on their first shows, so it's very exciting times. In fact, last week we had a show in a city called Tianjin, which most people have never heard about, but it turns out it's the fourth largest city in China, with a population of about 9 million. What's interesting about this, it's about 70 miles from Beijing, but it's really the port city for Beijing. 285 of the top *Fortune 500* companies have facilities in this city, so it's a good start.

**Kallmeyer:** One interesting thing we've been doing is a show concept that Adilah Roose has been doing in Malaysia. These have been a series of 2-ring shows. She is going to do a write-up on this, but one of the offshoots of that is, we get people showing every weekend that's affordable, it's affordable to the clubs, and people actually have a lot of fun in it, so I hope to have a write-up from Adilah on that.

**Kallmeyer:** One other area we're looking at is the idea of having registration agents in China, probably 4 to 6 people that can act as our agents to help people through the registration process. One of the difficulties we have is certainly the English language part, but also just mailing material to China, because we can put the English address on, we need that to get it out of the U.S. from Central Office, but then sometimes when you get to China, they have a hard time delivering, so we hope to have these agents help us. We've had cases from China where some individuals were charging excessive amounts of money to handle the registration process, so we would like, if nothing else, to slow them down and provide our exhibitors in China a more cost-effective approach to get their registrations.

**Kallmeyer:** That's it, Jerry. **Hamza:** OK. Any questions for Dick?

*This report is respectfully submitted by,  
Dick Kallmeyer, Chair  
CFA International Division Committee*

(11) **CFA LEGISLATION COMMITTEE.**

**Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser** gave the following report:

**Committee Chair:** George Eigenhauser  
**List of Committee Members:** Joan Miller, Fred Jacobberger, Phil Lindsley  
**CFA Legislative Group:** George Eigenhauser, Sharon Coleman, Joan Miller

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*On Tuesday, September 10, 2013 the USDA and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) announced their final rulemaking decision that revises the definition of "retail pet store" under the Animal Welfare Act (AWA). The rule reflects, in part, an attempt to regulate the selling of pets over the Internet or any other means in which the buyer does not see the pet in person before purchase and/or taking custody of the animal. The final rule was published in the Federal Register on September 18, 2013 and will be effective on November 18, 2013.*

*This change has been a long time in the making. CFA has been fighting against efforts to expand USDA/APHIS inspections under the AWA to include hobby breeders since 1997. We joined forces with other animal welfare organizations to oppose two lawsuits to overturn the then AWA rules more than a decade ago. We have been fighting this particular rule for over a year, ever since it was announced in May 2012. During the comment period we made numerous posts on the lists and on the CFA web site to urge fanciers to join us in opposition prior to the deadline of August 15, 2012. Tens of thousands of comments in opposition to the proposed rule were submitted by animal organizations, breeders, fanciers and other animal lovers.*

*Although the deadline for public comments ended we have continued our efforts to persuade congress, and recently the Office of Management and Budget, to use their influence with the USDA on our behalf. We published our "Next Step Guide" urging fanciers to contact their congressional representatives to pressure the USDA.*

*Our comments, along with tens of thousands of others, were reviewed and considered by the USDA, APHIS unit. As a result there are some noteworthy changes between the rule as first proposed in May 2012 and the final rule just published. These changes indicate at least some responsiveness by the USDA to issues raised by CFA and cat fanciers. For example, the final rule allows offsite sales by retail pet stores as long as the buyer, seller and cat are all physically present together at time of sale. A breeder/seller of pets will not be required to have each buyer come to their premises/home to take possession of their cat. They can meet in another place (such as at a cat show) as long as a buyer can see the animal in person before purchasing the pet and taking possession. Cat show hall sales would be face to face, and if done correctly, the buyer can "sell" to a third party who could be considered a representative of the seller.*

*Now that the USDA has issued a final rule we are doing a complete analysis so that we can advise fanciers as to how to avoid traps and pitfalls in the new rule. This takes time and we would rather be accurate than first. In the past the USDA has not been clear, and at times*

*misleading, about the effect of the rule. Fanciers are warned that they rely on information gleaned from the Internet, including the USDA/APHIS web site, at their own peril.*

*The same day the USDA announced their final rule CFA sent out an alert to the various lists and on CFA News. Along with the alert we have posted on the CFA web site an integrated version of the new rule incorporated into the existing regulation. We hope to have a "plain English" analysis soon but everyone must be patient. In places where the rule is unclear or subject to differing interpretations we may have to rely on APHIS' understanding with an appropriate disclaimer. Please go to the CFA web site legislative alerts page for updates:  
<http://www.cfa.org/Legislative/LegislativeAlerts.aspx>*

*In other news, federal legislators just returned to Washington from their summer recess. The federal "Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act" (PUPS) continues to gain cosponsors in both the Senate as well as the House of Representatives. The assumption by some people is that the new USDA rule may weaken the support for PUPS. However, now is not the time to abandon our opposition. Please contact your senators and congressional representative to ask them to oppose PUPS or withdraw their support if they are a cosponsor. Please watch the CFA alerts page for updates.*

*Many state legislatures have resumed following summer recess. The CFA Legislative Group is tracking "active" state bills along with dozens more bills that are "inactive" but still require our attention. We continue to update the online bill tracking list as well as providing guidance on the "hot" legislative issues of the day. The listing of state and federal bills CFA is tracking is on the CFA web site at: <http://www.cfa.org/Portals/0/documents/legislative/bill-tracking.pdf>*

*Local (city and county) government continues to be a problem. Bans on pet sales are a hot topic at the local level. Many local jurisdictions have adopted or are considering a ban on the sales of pets. Some of these ordinances are specifically targeted to pet stores, some are dogs only, but others are broad enough to include cats and other species and ban sales by home, hobby breeders. Even when the ordinances purport to exempt "hobby breeders" it can be problematic for responsible breeders. While having an exemption is good, the Animal Rights groups benefit in the end from the "divide and conquer" strategy. In addition, any express exemption carries the risk that to claim the exemption breeders will need to obtain certain inspections, licenses or permits. In some instances the "cure" can be worse than the "disease". Once breeders are regulated, the terms can be made more onerous in each successive year (such as in Los Angeles) until a "regulation" becomes, for all intents and purposes, a ban in every respect except in name.*

### **Recent Local Issues**

**San Diego, CA** became the 32nd City in the United States to prohibit retail sales, display, give-away or any transfer of animals in pet shops or other "commercial establishments". The City Council on July 9th unanimously passed an ordinance that started out as a ban on the sales of dogs, cats and rabbits by pet stores unless they came from a shelter or non-profit 501(c)3 rescue group. At the 11th hour an amendment was proposed to "exempt" hobby breeders which would have been so narrow as to ban breeding in the City. Despite the short notice, alerts were sent out by PIJAC, AKC and CFA. Letters in opposition were submitted by AKC, NAIA and others. CFA

fanciers and Joan Miller took a lead role in coordination and provided testimony at two hearings. Much work was done behind the scenes including meetings with Council members' staff. The result was to remove the amendment, eliminating the threat to hobby/home breeders.

**Oceanside, CA**, just a few miles North of San Diego is now considering their own ban on sale of live animals in pet stores. The first hearing is on September 25, 2013. CFA has sent out two legislative alerts and is planning to testify with a Power Point Presentation. We expect the wording to be the same as the original proposal for San Diego. Meetings with council members indicate that we need just one more vote to defeat this proposal.

Other jurisdictions recently considering bans on pet sales in pet stores include **San Francisco, CA; Branford, CT; Chicago, IL; Dane County, WI; and Tucson/Pima County, AZ**. In **McKinney, TX** a pet store was driven out of business within one week of opening following mass protests against selling live animals at pet stores. A local ordinance banning pet store sales in the city has been proposed.

San Diego activists, emboldened by the partial success in the pet store sales ordinance, are now seeking to promote a mandatory spay/neuter ordinance for the City and County and on the State level. A few dog fanciers and CFA were present at the meeting on September 14, 2013.

**Los Angeles City** again considered modifications to their mandatory spay/neuter ordinance, which were passed on June 18, 2013. The original ordinance was enacted decades ago and has undergone frequent revision to make the provisions more restrictive.

**South Newton Township, PA** had approved the use of city funds to round up and kill all outdoor cats. In the face of harsh public criticism they reconsidered and stopped the plan.

### ***Litigation/Non-Economic Damages***

The CFA Board has allowed CFA to join with the Animal Health Institute (AHI) coalition on amicus briefs opposing non-economic damages (i.e. "pain and suffering") for injuries to animals.

Since the last legislative report we have joined the AHI coalition in an amicus brief in the court of appeals in Maryland damages in Timothy Brooks v. Roger Jenkins. The lower court allowed non-economic damages of \$200,000.00 in a case which resulted from a police officer shooting a dog in the leg when fearing for his safety.

We previously reported the unanimous Texas Supreme Court ruling in Medlen v. Strickland affirming that dogs are property and owners are not entitled to emotion based damages for death of a dog. CFA had joined the AHI coalition in an amicus brief against allowing non-economic damages. Since then numerous news articles have been written discussing the case. Two recent "point-counter-point" articles were published in the American Bar Association, Animal Law Committee Newsletter Summer 2013.



## **Publications**

*The CFA e-Newsletter provides space for a "What's Hot" legislative column used to provide information on new and urgent matters of interest to the cat fancy. In general, Cat Talk Almanac articles are written for less time sensitive matters with a focus on guidance on lobbying in general. Articles since the June 2013 Board meeting:*

- *CFA e-Newsletter, July 2013, "**Pet Store Bans - what does this have to do with Pedigreed Cat Breeders?**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. The article focused on the danger to home hobby breeders when "pet stores" are targeted for live pet sale ban. In the City of San Diego, California a ban on live pet sales by pet stores was proposed. An exemption for hobby breeders, introduced at the 11th hour, was so narrow as to all but ban breeding in the City. The end result was that the breeder "exemption" (which was more of a prohibition) was removed before the ordinance passed.*
- *CFA e-Newsletter, August 2013, "**State Legislation - a pretty good year for pedigreed cats!**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. This article provided state legislative highlights in 2013. Most states had now adjourned for the year without any major new laws adversely impacting cat breeders. A sampling of bills from across the country were showcased and discussed.*
- *CFA e-Newsletter, September 2013, "**Upcoming Conferences of Interest**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. Upcoming events and conferences relating to cats and cat issues were showcased. Fanciers interested in legislation were encouraged to attend if possible. Not only are the events educational, but our presence with those in the animal protection field and make it known that CFA fanciers do care about all cats.*

## **Conferences:**

*Animal Health Institute (AHI) Pet Night on Capitol Hill was held on September 11, 2013 in Washington, D.C. Pet Night is a rare opportunity to maintain contact with members of congress, their aides, federal regulators, top representatives of the pharmaceutical industry, veterinary organizations and other sponsors. CFA co-sponsored this event as we have done for 14 years. George Eigenhauser represented CFA at Pet Night as well as at the coalition meeting the following day. The day following Pet Night there is a coalition meeting including AHI members and Pet Night sponsors to discuss joint legislative strategy on matters ranging from non-economic damages, pet shop bans, and other issues. Coalition participants provide us with legislative information, access to inside opinions of their lobbyists, and other help throughout the year.*

## **Future Projections for Committee and Legislative Group:**

*Upcoming conferences related to legislation –committed or pending:*

**ACES (Animal Center Education Services) International, La Jolla (San Diego) CA, September 26 - 28, 2013.** The conference is entitled "The Future of Animal Welfare" promising presentations "on the most innovative strategies to increase adoptions, bring in more revenue, and move the animal welfare Industry forward". Much of this conference seems to focus on "marketing of animals", strategy and planning, social media, PR, funding, non-profit business knowledge, etc. Joan Miller is planning to attend on behalf of CFA.

**Cat Writers Annual Conference, Irving, TX, October 31 - November 2, 2013.** CFA was instrumental in founding the Cat Writers Association and continues to maintain a close relationship. This allows us to reach out to the media, editors and writers on cat issues and educate them to our "spin" on issues. These media/book/blog writers get our message out there. Joan Miller is planning to attend on behalf of CFA.

**National Animal Interest Alliance (NAIA) Conference, Orlando, FL, November 2-3 2013.** The NAIA is the one national group directly confronting the extreme animal rights positions that threaten pet ownership and breeding of dogs/cats. CFA used to be a participant in this event but we have been unable to participate in recent years due to budget constraints. It is hoped that a CFA representative will be able to attend.

**SAWA Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ, November 9-12, 2013.** The Society of Animal Welfare Administrators (SAWA) are leading animal control and shelter professionals. SAWA is partnering with the National Council on Pet Population (NCPP) to present a cat research day November 9, 2013, in conjunction with the SAWA Annual Conference. The NCPP symposium will feature 10 highly respected researchers presenting summaries of studies and how their findings may be applied at the shelter or community level. The regular SAWA Annual conference will be held over the following three days at the same location.

Unlike Animal Rights groups, SAWA members tend to be pragmatic professionals in the sheltering community and amenable to discussion. George Eigenhauser and Joan Miller are both members on behalf of CFA. The Society of Animal Welfare Administrators holds a number of events each year which provide us with networking opportunities with leaders in the animal control community. George Eigenhauser and Joan Miller are both scheduled to attend on behalf of CFA.

**California Animal Welfare Stakeholders Group** had been formed to deal with homeless animals within the state. An extensive 49 page Report/Whitepaper focuses on four topics with strategies to improve the outcomes for homeless animals in the State. The topics are Intake Reduction; Standards and Practices; Cats; and Budget. Representatives include non-profit animal shelters, animal services agencies, rescue groups, veterinarians, HSUS, Found Animals Foundation, State Humane Association, Maddies Fund, ASPCA and the Shelter Medicine Program at U. C. Davis.

Joan Miller attended the first of the public meetings in Orange County, CA September 16, 2013, Sharon Coleman plans to attend at San Francisco, CA on September 19, 2013 and George Eigenhauser plans to attend the Sacramento, CA public meeting on September 24, 2013. To read the Sheltering White Paper and find the locations for the other events/meetings go to: <http://www.cashelteringreport.org/whitepaper/>

*The plan has already received criticism, because the group has proposed voluntary strategies over mandates. We will have more to report on this development later.*

***Ongoing goals -***

- *Networking with the sheltering community, aligned organizations, veterinarians and lawmakers so we better understand the problems and trends that cause homeless animals to be in shelters and develop ways to address the issues that motivate legislation detrimental to our interests.*
- *Continuing to find new methods for presenting perspective on the cat fancy views to those in animal related fields and government.*
- *Working with national and local cat fancy teams to defeat legislation/regulation detrimental to pedigreed cats, feral/unowned cats, CFA's mission and cat ownership.*
- *Enlisting professional help with strategic public relations and communication to build greater public awareness and gain more support for our opposition to mandated sterilization laws across the country.*
- *Increasing efforts to raise funds for the Sy Howard Legislative Fund and to help clubs present projects suitable for funding.*

**Action Items:**

*None at this time.*

**Time Frame:**

*Ongoing.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Updates and pending legislative matters.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr., Chair*

**Hamza:** Alright George, Legislative. **Hannon:** It says break. [laughter] **Hamza:** You want to take a break? Go ahead. I'm pushing through folks. Nobody minds that I'm pushing through, right? <no> You would rather go to dinner with your loved ones and bitch about this meeting? **Hannon:** Yeah, we'll go to dinner together. **Hamza:** You love me? Wow, there's news. Alright, George.

**Eigenhauser:** Obviously, the elephant in the room with legislation is that the USDA has been rule regulating some hobby breeders who weren't subject to Federal regulation before. Our most recent article we put out on the CFA News being up on the website is called *Don't Panic – Living Within the New USDA APHIS Rule*. We do think that the bulk of the cat fanciers are going to be able to fit into one of the exemptions. The first exemption, the retail pet store exemption, allows anybody essentially that sells their pets face to face, to be exempt. We did get a little bit of mercy from the USDA from the original rule they proposed a year and a half ago, in that the original version of the retail pet store exemption had to be face to face and in your cattery. By making it more open, we can continue sales at cat shows and other offsite locations. We can meet buyers half way. That should be able to take care of most of the fancy – just sell your pets face to face. There are some minority breeds though that one breeder may cover a 3 or 4 state area, that it's just not practical so we will be doing articles about dealing with the fancier exemption and we even have an article planned about how to get a USDA license, if that is truly the way to go. So, we're going to continue to update information on this. We have continued contact with AKC and other groups to try to deal with this. I know there's a lot of confusion on the pet law lists that are wondering why we're not fighting it, and the answer is that we have been fighting this since 1997, and the fight is pretty much over. The rule is published, so it's not going to change quickly. There's always the possibility of changing, but this rule changed once in a 40 year period. I don't expect a radical change in the near future. Other than that, I'm open to questions.

**Meeker:** George, this is Ginger. **Eigenhauser:** Go for it. **Meeker:** OK. George, I got a notice from one of the companies that do hand carry pet transport. They have developed a form that they claim will serve as the face-to-face sale, because they are actually the breeder's representative. How do you feel about that? **Eigenhauser:** A, I'm not going to give legal advice to any private business. Let them hire their own attorney to give them advice, but I don't know what part of "face-to-face" they don't understand. But no, the USDA has said they will consider, like if a family member picks up a cat for a family member, the buyer's representative taking part in a face-to-face, but they are not looking at the seller's representative. If the seller's representative takes part in a face-to-face, my understanding is, that representative themselves would need a USDA dealer's license. **Meeker:** But do they ever [inaudible] **Eigenhauser:** I'm getting some weird background noise. **Hamza:** If you're on your speaker phone and you're watching TV because we can't hold your interest good enough, at least have the common courtesy to take us off the speaker phone. Thank you. **Eigenhauser:** What was the question? **Meeker:** Did they ever define "sight unseen"? Some of my buyers are saying, "well, you sent videos and pictures." Wouldn't that – **Eigenhauser:** No. We're using the term "sight unseen" as sort of a shorthand. What they require is face to face, with the buyer and the seller and the cat physically present at the same place, at the same time. **Meeker:** Well, you have just unseeded all the business from Idaho. **Eigenhauser:** That's why I said, there are two other ways to deal with the problem. One is to stay within the fancier exemption, which limits you to 4 queens. **Meeker:** Oh, OK. That's not a problem. So, if you've got less than – how do you prove that when you're transporting a cat? **Eigenhauser:** This isn't a transport rule. This is a sale rule. **Meeker:** Right. OK, so I sell it to somebody. I don't have to prove that at the time of the sale? **Eigenhauser:** As far as I know, the airlines aren't going to be checking on this. What's going to be checking on this is when the USDA knocks on your door and sticks their head in the door and goes, "One, two, three, four, five queens. Why are you selling sight unseen?" **Meeker:** Because three of those

queens are spayed. **Eigenhauser:** Then you would have to prove that. **Meeker:** OK. That's easy enough. **Hamza:** Ginger, I think it's an enforcement issue, actually. **Eigenhauser:** It's going to be complicated. **Meeker:** I do, too. They may not have the government open in time to do it. **Hamza:** Right now we know that there's nobody out there looking, because they're at home. **Meeker:** And when they can be out there looking, they're not going to have any budget. **Hamza:** They don't have any today, I know that. They're sidelined. **Eigenhauser:** Certainly, if you're doing the retail pet store exemption where you're selling them face to face, you ought to have documentation of some kind that the buyer actually picked up the cat from you. If you're relying on one of the other exemptions, just make sure you keep good paperwork. Don't make stupid mistakes like, "this doesn't count as a pet because it's a breeding animal" and then mark the box "not for breeding" on the registration. If you're not shipping pets, don't put on your website, "we ship anywhere". That's how people are going to get tripped up, is doing something stupid. So, don't be stupid. That's my advice.

**Hamza:** George, I want to commend our Legislative Group, because if you take the time to read this stuff ad nauseum, people will find out that, out of all the groups involved, CFA probably fared the best. People involved in cats on the fancy level, I think we did very well. **Eigenhauser:** I think our information is better. It doesn't rely on a lot of conjecture and supposition, and the change that allows offsite sales is really more of a benefit to the cat fancy than the dog fancy, because they don't have a culture of selling at dog shows the way we have a culture of sales at cat shows. So, we didn't do great but we could have done a whole lot worse. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Hamza:** Thank you George, and thanks to the Legislative people. **Eigenhauser:** There's another question, I think. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carissa. **Altschul:** Did you guys get a good definition for who or what can be the buyer's representative? **Eigenhauser:** No. They are being very cagey about that. The examples they have been using so far are really obvious things like, "Mom's too sick to leave the house so she sends oldest son to pick the cat up", or that kind of thing. They are going to kind of make it up as they go along on that, but I would be cautious. Certainly, it can't be somebody that the seller picks or is an agent of the seller. The seller can't have their vet do it for the buyer. It really has to come from the buyer, and as somebody was saying, this is going to be an enforcement issue. The way this is most likely going to come up is, the buyer is going to complain to the USDA. **Altschul:** And then they will investigate. **Eigenhauser:** And they will investigate. If that buyer is saying, "by the way, they picked out the cat for me through this ruse", that's not going to look good. **Altschul:** My other question is, if the breeder gets on a plane and flies to the buyer, that counts as face to face? **Eigenhauser:** Absolutely. That was the one concession they made – one of the big concessions they made between the rule that was originally proposed a year and a half ago, that it had to be face to face at your cattery, to now as long as the buyer and the seller and the animal are physically present together, it doesn't matter where it is. **Altschul:** Is there any rule that says that the money can't change hands until that point? **Eigenhauser:** No. The rule actually says, *Prior to purchasing and/or taking custody of the animal after purchase*. So, the rule actually contemplates that there may be a disconnect between the time the buyer pays and the time the buyer picks up the animal. As long as it's done somewhere in the process. So, for example, if you let people start looking at your kittens at 12 weeks but you don't let them go out until 14 weeks, if they looked at them at 12 weeks, that's good enough. If they pick them out at 12 weeks and pay the money, but then they come out and physically pick them up at 14 weeks, again, they

physically met the animal, with you, the animal and buyer all present before they take it home, somewhere in the process.

**Hamza:** Anything else for George? OK George, thank you.

[after Awards Report] **Eigenhauser:** Can George interrupt for just a second while I'm thinking of it? **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead. **Eigenhauser:** Going back to Legislation for a second, I just want to make sure I didn't mislead anybody. There are two primary exemptions we are looking at. The one exemption we discussed at length – the face-to-face sale, the retail sales exemption. The other exemption, and I just want to be clear, having 4 or fewer queens is not the only part of the rule. There's more to the rule than that. You can only sell the offspring of those queens, which impacts people that trade kittens, kittens back, it affects people who do rescue, so it's a much more complicated rule than the other rule. I just didn't want to give the impression that the only part of that rule is that you keep to 4 queens. There's more to the rule than that, and it's spelled out in the article. I just didn't want anyone to read something in the minutes, get misled into believing that that's all there is to the rule. It is actually a more complicated rule than the other. **Hamza:** So, the bottom line of your advice is to be familiar with the rules.

**Eigenhauser:** Read the article, be familiar with the rules.

(12) **WINN FOUNDATION.**

**Winn Foundation Liaison George Eigenhauser** presented the following report:



**President:** *Dr. Vicki Thayer*  
**Chief Executive Officer:** *Maureen Walsh*  
**President Elect:** *Glenn Olah*  
**Liaison to CFA Board:** *George Eigenhauser*  
**Secretary:** *Janet Wolf*  
**Treasurer:** *Vickie Fisher*  
**Board Members:** *Steve Dale, George Eigenhauser, Fred Jacobberger, Betty White, Eric Bruner, Dr. Susan Little, Dr. Brian Holub*

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*Winn Feline Foundation's outline of major accomplishments and ongoing projects from the past 5 months:*

**Grant Program**

*The Miller Trust Grant review is due to be held by teleconference at 12 p.m. on October 23. There are 12 proposals to review, with a 13<sup>th</sup> proposal for a continuation budget approval by the Winn officers. The funds available for grants are \$126,576.65.*

**Partnerships**

- *Winn Feline Foundation continues to promote their associate membership in the Partnership for Preventive Pet Healthcare.*
- *Steve Dale is also working with Home Again as a contest judge for their Hero of the Year award winner. The Hero is someone who has made significant contributions to ensure the welfare of animals. Winn is one of four foundations that will benefit from donations by Home Again as part of the program. A press release just went out to media outlets in mid-September.*
- ***Winn/AVMF Research Award and Scholarship:*** *Dr. William Murphy, a researcher on genetics, from Texas A&M University, was selected the 2013 Winn/AVMF Excellence in Feline Research Award recipient. The award comes with a crystal cat statue and \$2500. Dr. Susan Little presented him the award at the NIH-Merial Veterinary Scholars*

*Symposium on August 3. Dr. Little also presented a \$2500 Winn/AVMF scholarship to an incoming 4<sup>th</sup> year veterinary student from Tufts University, Yuki Nakayama.*

- ***Cat Health Network:*** *A press release about current findings from the CHN projects was sent to a number of veterinary publications within the past month.*
- ***Award Presented:*** *Dr. Susan Little was presented with the International Society of Feline Medicine (ISFM)/Hill's Pet Nutrition Award for outstanding contributions to feline medicine at the ISFM's World Feline Veterinary Congress (WFVC) in Barcelona on June 29. A wonderful honor for Dr. Little and we are proud of her accomplishments.*

### **Infrastructure and Systems**

- ***Donor Pro,*** *our new fundraising platform, is over a year in action and is being used with familiarity by our Administrative team. Our donation system has been updated to v. 9.3. A new version (10.0) of DonorPro is in the works for future release that has a new "interface" and several new features.*
- *Our Treasurer, Vickie Fisher, has completed Winn's IRS 990 subsequent to the 2013 audit that was completed and approved at our June board meeting. Timely filing is in the works.*
- *Vicki Thayer and Steve Dale were voted to another 3-year board term. Eric Bruner was voted to join the Winn board for a 3-year term. Vicki Thayer was elected for a second term as President, Glenn Olah as President-Elect, and Janet Wolf as Secretary. Dr. Shila Nordone was elected to a second 3-year term as a veterinary reviewer/consultant.*
- *Two new committees met in Vancouver the day after Winn's June board meeting. The first committee is the Development Committee that will oversee fundraising for Winn. Eric Bruner is the chair with Steve Dale, Susan Little, Fred Jacobberger, and Maureen Walsh as committee members. The second committee to meet will explore having a new website developed that would be more versatile and better meet the needs of our donors and supporters. The committee's members are Maureen Walsh, Glenn Olah, Vicki Thayer, Steve Dale, and Susan Little.*

### **Promotion and Brand Building**

- *Betty White and Maureen Walsh have maintained our monthly Winn newsletter and content for the CFA newsletter. The new Winn mascot, Winnie, continues to share Winn news and engage readers.*
- *Winn has arranged for speakers and topics for a track at AAHA's 2014 meeting in Nashville. The planned speakers and topics are Dr. Philip Fox covering feline cardiology and Drs. Craig and Tracy Webb on stem cell therapies.*



- *Ongoing Winn social media presence and web presence (Dr. Susan Little). We are currently in discussion with developers who responded to an RFP that went to 8 companies prior to Labor Day.*
- *Maureen Walsh attended and manned an exhibit booth at the annual American Veterinary Medical Assn. meeting in July in Chicago. Steve Dale, Dr. Susan Little, and Dr. Brian Holub were also representatives for Winn at the convention. Maureen will be attending and manning a booth at the fall conference of the American Assn. of Feline Practitioners in Dallas, TX the final weekend of September. Dr. Vicki Thayer will be distributing Winn promotional materials at the Southwest Veterinary Symposium in San Antonio the same weekend.*
- *Winn has eleven podcasts available through the Libsyn syndication service (RSS) and the podcasts can be found for one at <http://www.fluctu8.com/podcast/winn-feline-foundation-podcasts-on-feline-health-94899-0.html>*
- *The podcasts are all the audio casts of the past three-year's Symposiums and a developing library of podcast interviews with researchers involved in Winn funded cat health studies.*

### **Events**

- *The Winn Symposium had 95 registered attendees between CFA, Winn, and on-site registrations. Thank you to all the CFA supporters and attendees. With sponsorship from the Veterinary Information Network and Patterson Veterinary Supply and all attendees, the profit for the Symposium was approximately \$7000.*
- *Winn will be holding a teleconference board meeting on October 9 at 12 p.m.*
- *The February board meeting will be held at The Palms Hotel in Las Vegas on Thursday evening, February 20, and the Winn Grant Review the next day, February 21.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Vicki Thayer DVM, DABVP (feline)  
Winn Feline Foundation, President  
<http://www.winnfelinehealth.org>  
<http://www.winnfelinehealth.blogspot.com>*

**Hamza:** George, you're up again with the Winn Foundation. **Eigenhauser:** Right. I don't have much to add to the written report. We do have two Winn meetings coming up later this month. One is our regular Winn meeting, the other is the Miller Trust grant review, so we'll have an update a little bit later, but there is one thing I want to put in for the minutes. I don't want to sound ungrateful. Winn is always thankful when CFA clubs put our ad slicks in their catalogs, but there are some clubs out there that really have got to stop using the ads from like 5 years ago. I've run into it a couple of times, some other people have run into it. They are still using the old CFA address in New Jersey. Sometimes, I understand you get busy when you're putting together

a show catalog, you grab the ad from last year and keep going, and the RDs, when you put it out in your newsletters, could you just mention that clubs need to check their ad slicks and make sure they've got the current Winn ad? Let me make it really easy for you what the correct address is. We don't put the address in our ad anymore. We only have the website. So, if your ad has an address of any kind in it, it's the wrong ad. **Hamza:** Donna Jean, do you have something on that? **Thompson:** Yeah. Betty White had contacted me on that, and it kind of goes hand in hand with another error that we found, that we're routinely being put in catalogs with finals sheets that didn't have some of the very newest breeds on it. It seems to be a problem where we have an ongoing entry clerk and they do the catalog for the clubs and they just have their forms and they just put them in and never updated them. **Hamza:** Did you inform this entry clerk that we expect updates? **Thompson:** Oh, yes. **Hamza:** And was he compliant? **Thompson:** As far as I know. We haven't seen a catalog yet. **Hamza:** I know who we're talking about. **Eigenhauser:** But I've seen it happen on this coast, too, so people just put out the word to check and make sure you've got the current ad slicks. **Hamza:** We'll get on that.

(13) **SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

Chair Dr. Roger Brown presented the following report:

*Committee Chair: Roger Brown, DVM*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate past Committee Activities:**

*Monitoring CFA's DNA Program*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Troubleshooting and answering client questions on test results and their samples. (Typical question is about receipt of their sample.)*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Working with new technology for CFA's DNA Program*

**Board Action Items:**

*none*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Update on the DNA program*

*Update on the Pet Passport program*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Roger Brown, DVM, Chair*

**Hamza:** Up next is Roger Brown with the Scientific Advisory Committee. **Brown:** I am happy to report that there are some exciting new changes that are going to benefit CFA's DNA program. I traveled to Texas A&M in March of this year and met with representatives of their Genetics Department, the Dean's Office of Veterinary Medicine, their Legal Department and their Agronomy Department. The purpose of this meeting was to talk about CFA's DNA testing requirements, and to discuss new equipment with two executives from the Illumina Corporation. They were eager and very enthusiastic about helping CFA through Texas A&M. I came away from this meeting very excited about Illumina and Illumina's platform DNA testing. It seemed tailor made for our needs, but it was very expensive. **Hamza:** How expensive? **Brown:** I will get to that in a moment, but around \$250,000+. **Hamza:** Per cat? [laughter] **Brown:** Let me give you a little background. CFA's DNA program started more than 6 years ago, using a method that analyzed 61 markers on 47 samples simultaneously. At this time, it was state of the art. It used SNP technology at a time when other animal labs were using labor-intensive STR analysis. Since that time, the company that produces the Biotrove platform that we were using has been going through growing pains that involve a number of company sales, and finally a merger. The present

company is now focusing on high-end human testing, costing thousands of dollars. Needless to say, their services for animal chemistries are very, very slow. They have also changed the type of the robot that loads the chips with samples. If Texas A&M buys a new one, it will cost another \$50,000. Dealing with slow service and the need to purchase new equipment has created an environment that is no longer tolerable. CFA's DNA lab has decided to change to the new Illumina platform and chemistries. Again, this equipment and the new platform will cost in excess of \$250,000. Before anyone has a heart attack, Texas A&M will cover the cost of the new equipment. Our old Biotrove platform could examine 61 SNPs, or "markers" as they are called. The new Illumina platform can examine up to 3,000. This creates a great deal of room for new tests, and more markers equal greater accuracy. I would also like to report that Dr. Bill Murphy at Texas A&M, a member of their Genetics Department, was given the 2013 Award of Excellence in Feline Research by both the Winn Foundation and the American Veterinary Medical Foundation. He got this award for mapping the feline genome and study of the Y Chromosome. This is the sex chromosome that males have. Dr. Murphy has discovered many genetic abnormalities. One of them is associated with muscle atrophy in the cat. He has also carefully mapped the genetics of coat color and has been studying coat color. He has also found a genetic mutation on the Y Chromosome that causes reduced fertility in the tom cat. This might be something that we could consider for a new test somewhere down the road. Texas A&M provided Illumina with more than 3,000 markers from their genetics program to use when Illumina is designing new chemistries for CFA's DNA program. Testing with the new platform will most likely use about 200 markers. This is the beginning. More will be added later. There is plenty of space to add dozens of new tests, and we will certainly try our best to do this in the future. Adding markers to the new system is easy. The old Biotrove platform used chips that were pre-loaded, and each test was in a special different position. All of the old, expensive chips had to be used before designing a new one and adding new disease markers. The new Illumina system uses florescent tags or signals, so it's much different and it doesn't rely on position. You can think of the chemistry as sort of a cocktail that can have new markers added whenever necessary. The old system required 47 samples for array testing. The new one does not. They can run them in smaller batches. Somewhere down the road, we hope to cut the time lag between receipt of samples and receipt of results. The cost of running the test in the new platform has not, as yet, been determined, but I am doing everything in my power to try to make it reasonable enough for everyone to afford it. So, this is something that's coming up in the very near future, and I think it's something that we can feel a great deal of excitement for. Are there any questions?

**Hamza:** You know, Roger, I'm pretty excited about the technology and everything that's coming to pass. It seems like now is the right time to get a comprehensive plan going between the Scientific Committee and the Finance Committee so that we can get on one page as far as, now we have what you consider superior tests, so we have to integrate that into our business plan. Wouldn't you think that's a good idea? **Brown:** Absolutely, and I feel that once this new system is in place, it will be state of the art. We will be using more SNPs, more markers, than any other animal lab anywhere in the world. **Hamza:** So, can I have you and Rich get together, and maybe with Jodell's help, to try and give our DNA program a breath of new life, because you've got this new, exciting program rolling out and maybe integrate it into our business plan and get better visibility on our website? **Brown:** Absolutely. **Hamza:** And in the newsletter. I

mean, let's face it, when we first went with Texas A&M, we lost some confidence out there, and I would like to see CFA get some of the confidence back. I think it's finally ready to be a bona fide revenue stream for CFA. So, having come to that juncture, I think it's important that we get you and the Finance Committee people together and integrate it with our marketing, as well, so that this new and exciting testing that you've got going doesn't get lost in the shuffle. **Brown:** I think it's very important that we get our heads together on pricing and once I get the facts from Texas A&M, then we'll have the facts to think with, to set a price level. My caution is that I feel we need to make it affordable enough for everyone so that, down the road, this will be an important avenue that will validate our registry. **Hamza:** So, can I count on you folks to get together between this meeting and the next meeting, at least to get a preliminary feel for where we're going to go? **Brown:** Absolutely, and I'm hoping that I will have dollar figures by then. I called yesterday and Texas A&M placed a call to Illumina. Illumina still didn't have the dollar figures on the chemistries. Some of the new equipment they have to add, as well as the quarter of a million dollar master machine. **Hamza:** That's all part of the business process, so we'll all get together and we'll come up with something that works. We'll wheel this out the right way. **Brown:** OK.

**Hamza:** Any other questions for Roger? **Shelton:** I have a question real quick. This is Mike. **Hamza:** Go ahead Mike. **Shelton:** How long has this technology been out in the marketplace? Do we think this has been vetted significantly by the genetics community, to know that the technology is going to be reliable? **Brown:** Yes. The Illumina platform dates all the way back to the million dollars that Hill's gave for mapping pertinent areas of the cat genome, so it's been around and in hard use at least that long, specifically in the cat. So, I think this is important, because every species is quite different. There is going to be no interpretation from man or another species to the cat. This is work that has been done only on the cat, and we have experts at Texas A&M that have been mapping genome and done work way beyond the level that was associated with the old million dollar genome chip. **Shelton:** Good to know. In my real life, I've been burned by going after new technology too quickly. **Brown:** It's tried and tested. **Hamza:** Any other questions?

(14) **AWARDS COMMITTEE.**

*Committee Chair: Michael Shelton*  
*List of Committee Members: Carissa Altschul, Dennis Ganoë, Mary Kolencik, Geri Fellerman*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The guidelines for the Cattery of Distinction program were presented to the Board of Directors for input during the August 2013 teleconference.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Following the August teleconference, the Cattery of Distinction guidelines were slightly revised to incorporate clarifications based on questions asked during the teleconference. The finalized guidelines are given below. The intent is to implement the program as soon as possible following board approval.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The call for nominations for Star Awards will be going out to committee chairs and board members in January.*

**Board Action Items:**

*Approve Cattery of Distinction program.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Shelton, Chair*

**Hamza:** Next, I would like to go to the Awards Committee, and that's Michael. **Shelton:** OK. The only thing we really have here is the Cattery of Distinction Program that Carissa talked about in the teleconference meeting a couple of months ago. We're just re-presenting it here for approval. This is almost exactly the same as what was presented then. We've added a few comments to incorporate questions and answers that came up at that meeting, to try and make sure everything is covered in one place, so if anybody has any questions, we can hopefully answer them. If not, I would like to make a motion that we accept this. **Meeker:** I'll second the motion, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Hamza:** Rachel. **Anger:** Michael, our Cattery of Distinction Program we just voted in, when does it go into effect? **Shelton:** The intent for the Cattery of Distinction was, we would start awarding those I think at the end of the show season. These all have as part of what people will get, recognition at regional and national awards banquets. The intent was, that would be starting with the banquets this year, or 2014 banquets. **Petty:** Michael, is that a regional award or

national award, or both? **Shelton:** The lower tiers are recognized at regional, the higher tiers are recognized at regional and national. It's called out in the description at the end. It's national, starting at Tier V, which is 100 grands. I imagine there would be relatively a bunch this year, because we would be making up for past time, but after that, especially when you get up into the large numbers, it wouldn't be more than a few a year, I would think.

**Baugh:** Jerry, this is Loretta. I've got something for Michael. **Hamza:** Go ahead Loretta. **Baugh:** I've been approached by several people who wonder if the Committee would be willing to investigate the possibility of the Grand of Distinction cats using awards prior to 2011-2012. There are a lot of 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 year old cats out there that had successful seasons and are still in good condition, and maybe need one season or possibly even two, to be able to earn that award, but they were hoping that we might consider going back – as long as the cat is living, if it had earned one more or two more seasons, if it would be able to claim those awards, based upon their old awards. The owner would be responsible for getting the information that would be necessary. Not that I want to show them, but for example, I have a 9 year old Siamese that was 26<sup>th</sup> nationally in Premiership 7 years ago. I have a 10 year old American Shorthair that got a breed win and a national win 8 years ago. Those cats are still in condition. I don't want to show them again, but there are people that have cats of that caliber that would like to be able to use one or two possibly of those show seasons that are prior to 2011-2012. Is that something we could consider or not? **Shelton:** We could consider it. I would need to work with Central Office and IT to make sure that the data is readily accessible, that we can verify earlier seasons without a tremendous amount of trouble. **Baugh:** I know that we can, like my cats I have their awards, so obviously if you had a national award, you have more than 30 finals, but the owners are more than willing to be able to provide the documentation, but they said these are cats they would really like to bring out for that award. They were hoping that we might consider doing it. **Shelton:** Obviously, we did not look at it when we initially put that timeframe in place, so that we would know all the records will be there and easy to get to, and it won't take people digging through whole show reports to try and verify all this stuff, but I could work with the people who would need to know, who would be able to find out what we would need to do that and how much work it would be. **Baugh:** OK, thank you. As I said, I was asked to bring it forward as a possible thing to do.

## *Cattery of Distinction Year-End Awards*

*Proposal: To acknowledge Catteries that have reached certain thresholds of Grands produced. The number of Grands will be based on the registered cattery name, not individual breeders. Breeders who have bred under multiple cattery names may petition the Board to have the Grands from both cattery names combined for purposes of this award. Grand Champions and Grand Premiers are counted equally, but if an individual cat achieves both titles it will only be counted once. Grands may be of one or multiple breeds. “Tiers” will be created so as to celebrate each level of accomplishment. “Extra” embellishment to be added for certain levels of DM’s produced by a Cattery.*

### *Tier I – 10 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers*

*Certificate suitable for framing from CO, along with a letter thanking them for their dedication to CFA. Notification that their cattery name is now eligible for a permanent “standing” in CFA. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet.*

### *Tier II – 25 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers*

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet.*

### *Tier III – 50 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers*

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet.*

### *Tier IV – 75 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers*

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet.*

### *Tier V – 100 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers*

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet and National Awards Banquet.*

### *Tier VI – 150 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers*

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet and National Awards Banquet.*



Tier VII – 200 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet and National Awards Banquet.*

Tier VIII – 250 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet and National Awards Banquet.*

Tier IX – 300 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet and National Awards Banquet.*

Tier X – 350 Grand Champions/Grand Premiers

*Certificate suitable for framing, along with a letter thanking them for their continued participation and support of CFA and pedigreed cats. Acknowledgement at their Regional Awards Banquet and National Awards Banquet.*

*Breeders who win these awards can display on their websites, “CFA Cattery of Distinction – Tier I” or other appropriate level.*

*Extra Embellishment: At each tier, an additional ranking of “Superior” can be added if a certain number of DM’s accompanies the Grands. For example, if a cattery at Tier II (25 Grands) also has 3 DM’s, then they would be eligible for the award “CFA Cattery of Distinction – Tier II Superior.” The following number of DM’s would be required at each Tier:*

<i>Tier I – 1 DM (10 Grands)</i>	<i>Tier VI – 12 DM’s (150 Grands)</i>
<i>Tier II – 3 DM’s (25 Grands)</i>	<i>Tier VII – 16 DM’s (200 Grands)</i>
<i>Tier III – 4 DM’s (50 Grands)</i>	<i>Tier VIII – 20 DM’s (250 Grands)</i>
<i>Tier IV – 6 DM’s (75 Grands)</i>	<i>Tier IX – 25 DM’s (300 Grands)</i>
<i>Tier V – 8 DM’s (100 Grands)</i>	<i>Tier X – 30 DM’s (350 Grands)</i>

*This allows for both categories to be celebrated, putting a higher emphasis on quality over quantity. However, even if a cattery doesn’t achieve the superior rating, it doesn’t marginalize their achievements. The Superior rating can be added after a Tier level increases. For example, a cattery that is at Tier II and only has 2 DM’s when they achieve 25 Grands can still merit the Superior rating if they achieve a 3<sup>rd</sup> DM before they reach Tier III. If they reach 50 grands without a 4<sup>th</sup> DM, they will lose the Superior rating until they achieve that 4<sup>th</sup> DM.*

(15) **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** Ginger Meeker  
**Committee Members:** Rich Mastin, Dick Kallmeyer, Jodell Raymond, Kathy Durdick (IT/Website)

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Region's version of the Annual Manual is now a completed and approved document. This committee will continue to update as needed. Jodell is working on finalizing the CO version of the Annual Manual which includes the organizational calendar.*

*This committee will continue to update and maintain the Board of Directors' Guidelines document as required. This document is archived on the FileVista site. As this document is used please report any errors or omissions to the Chair or other member of this committee.*

*Members of the Business Management committee are also working on the IT project and personnel issues because some of the functions overlap from one area to another. The CFA website has been launched and is receiving very positive comments.*

*At the time of this writing, CO is running parallel with registration and at the completion of this first parallel run another is scheduled once areas of concern are fixed. The scoring module is also being tested and we are continuing to work with the IT committee as required.*

*While there were some data entry input delays during busy kitten registration system it appears that time-lines for the new system are being met. Please see the IT report for more technical, information.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Kathy Durdick continues to work part-time to upgrade and update the CFA website. Her report will be submitted in addition to this report.*

*The chair is in regular contact with Donna Jean Thompson to determine the status of current projects and the development of future projects. The office functions of registration and registration by pedigree appear to be current although slowed a bit during peak kitten registration time. Customer service continues to be a focus and Jodell Raymond continues to provide staff coaching and training as necessary. This committee is fully open to any and all requests from Donna Jean Thompson and we stand ready to her in her role as Director of Operations. The Chair is working with James Simbro to accomplish computer reports focused on error rates determination in various areas.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*We will continue to work with Donna Jean Thompson, as requested, to facilitate office function and team development in Alliance, OH. The committee, in cooperation with the CFA Director of*

*Operations will be to continue to focus on customer service issues. While review of the specific email site for CFA is only one aspect of customer service, it was seen as a starting point for the process. Another review of site activity is planned for this summer. This committee will also do whatever is needed to facilitate the leadership change January 1. New people will be hired into the office as needed with resumes accepted for a vacant position in the registration area.*

*Looking at this year's CFA statistics, it seems that focus should now be directed at developing a strategic business plan for CFA to support and develop our core strengths. The business has been moved to Alliance OH, staff is settling in and now we can look ahead to the future and map the direction and vision of our Association in a logical and systematic way.*

**Action Items:**

*Continue to work with James Simbro and the IT committee to develop some field-based reports for determining error rates.*

*Committee to develop and write a Strategic Plan for CFA Business.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Any completed projects done in the next time period.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Ginger Meeker, Chair*

**Hamza:** Alright Ginger. **Meeker:** First is the Management Committee. I really don't have anything to add to the written report. One small change in procedure; I'm going to get with Kathy Durdick and see if she can put the projects that she's working on, on a spreadsheet and, on an ongoing basis, update the board on what Kathy is working on and what has been completed so everybody knows what she's doing. Are there any questions? **Hamza:** It's fairly self-explanatory. Does anybody have any questions for Ginger?

**(16) WEBSITE COMMITTEE.**

*Committee Chair: Kathy Durdick*  
*Liaison to Board: Ginger Meeker*  
*List of Committee Members: Ginger Meeker, Dennis Ganoë, Jodell Raymond*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*In addition to the normal day-to-day maintenance of the site, some of the major changes since last report include:*

- *National Winners and Breed Winners from 2012-13 show season added, as well as the top 25 “stories” articles.*
- *The World Show entry form and process was worked out, including a page exhibitors could view with a brief summary of exhibitor name, entry number, and entry date/time. Also created a number of views Monte could use to access the entries in various formats (by exhibitor name, by date, by cat, etc.).*
- *Breed Council ballots all set up and ready for voting – Kristi should be sending letters shortly.*
- *A new Chinese-focused page was set up, with text in Chinese and links to all our current forms and documents that have been translated.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The grand photos for the 2012-13 show season that qualify for inclusion on the website have just been received – they should be processed and online in the next couple of weeks.*

*Finishing up work on a searchable “show locator” page, that the public will be able to use by typing in their location (city/state or zip code), and receive a list and map with the closest shows to them for the next 3-4 months.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Enhancements to the Chinese section, to include more instructions and information on registering cats, cattery names, claiming titles, etc.*

**Action Items:**

*None*

**Time Frame:**

*This report covers the timeframe of 6/11/2013 through 9/22/2013*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Updates on the committee's progress, and any additional projects or accomplishments since the writing of this report.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Durdick, Chair*

**Hamza:** Ginger, from your comments, you've got Web Oversight in there, as well?  
**Meeker:** Yes, I do. Web Oversight is a separate report that Kathy submitted, and she has some of the things that she has been working on and has accomplished. The question came up on some projects that people were wondering where they were in process, and it turns out she's got 2 or 3 projects that are incredibly complex. With the work schedule she's got right now working 50-60 hours a week in her day job, some of these complex projects are going to have to wait for just a bit until she gets a bigger chunk of time, so that she can really focus on it. The day-to-day update stuff happens easily and quickly, but something that's really complex takes an isolated chunk of her time in order to start pulling it all together. So, I just want people to know what she's working on. Then, they will know that their project has not dropped off the radar. Does that make sense? **Hamza:** Yes. **Hannon:** Thank you Ginger. **Meeker:** Any question on Kathy's report? **Petty:** I have a question. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Petty:** Under *Current Happenings* on the Web Oversight, you have *Finishing up work on a searchable "show locator" page*. Is that the software that Carissa brought to us last month, or is this something else? **Meeker:** I think it's what Carissa brought up. **Petty:** It's going to take 3 or 4 months to modify for us? **Hamza:** There's more to it than that. It's integrating it into what we already have and streamlining. **Petty:** I read it wrong. I'm sorry. **Hamza:** OK, never mind. **Meeker:** OK great. Any other questions?

**Hamza:** Anybody got anything else? We didn't do too bad. We're 10 minutes late. I thought it would be way worse, with the protests we had, so I want to thank you all for staying on point. We'll see you all tomorrow morning at 10:30. The meeting is adjourned.

Adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. continued the meeting on Sunday, October 6, 2013, via teleconference, with several members being present in person at the CFA Central Office, 260 East Main Street, Alliance, Ohio. President **Jerold Hamza** called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. EDT with the following members present after a roll call:

**Mr. Jerold Hamza (President)**  
**Mr. Mark Hannon (Vice-President)**  
**Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**  
**Carla Bizzell, C.P.A. (Treasurer)**  
**Ginger Meeker, Ph.D. (NWR Director)**  
**Sharon Roy (NAR Director)**  
**Ms. Carissa Altschul (GSR Director)**  
**Mrs. Loretta Baugh (GLR Director)**  
**Mr. Michael Shelton (SWR Director)**  
**Ms. Kathy Calhoun (MWR Director)**  
**Mrs. Tracy Petty (SOR Director)**  
**Mrs. Kayoko Koizumi (Japan Regional Director)**  
**Mr. Pauli Huhtaniemi (Europe Regional Director)**  
**Roger Brown, DVM (Director-at-Large)**  
**George Eigenhauser (Director-at-Large)**  
**Dennis Ganoë (Director-at-Large)**  
**Richard Kallmeyer (Director-at-Large)**  
**Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)**  
**Richard Mastin (Director-at-Large)**  
**Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)**

Also present were: Ms. Donna Jean Thompson, Director of Operations; Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel; and Jodell Raymond, Assistant to the President.

**Secretary's Note:** For the ease of the reader, some items were discussed at different times but were included with their particular agenda.

**Hamza:** OK everybody, you want to get rolling? Rachel, you want to establish who is here and whose not? **Anger:** So, we're doing the roll call. This is Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:37 a.m. Jerold Hamza. **Hamza:** I'm here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Mark Hannon. **Hannon:** Here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Rachel Anger is here (in Alliance). Carla Bizzell. **Bizzell:** Here. **Anger:** Ginger Meeker. **Meeker:** Here. **Anger:** Sharon Roy. **Roy:** Here. **Anger:** Carissa Altschul. **Altschul:** Here. **Anger:** Loretta Baugh. **Baugh:** Here. **Anger:** Mike Shelton. **Shelton:** Here. **Anger:** Kathy Calhoun. **Calhoun:** Here. **Anger:** Tracy Petty. **Petty:** Here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Kayoko Koizumi. **Koizumi:** Here. **Anger:** Pauli Huhtaniemi. **Huhtaniemi:** Here. **Anger:** Roger Brown. **Brown:** Here. **Anger:** George Eigenhauser. **Eigenhauser:** Abstain. **Hamza:** Does that mean, no coffee? Mary's not back yet? **Eigenhauser:** Mary's not back yet. I'm just starting my second cup. **Anger:** Good heavens. **Hamza:** We'll walk carefully. **Anger:** Dennis Ganoë. **Ganoë:** Here. **Anger:** Dick Kallmeyer. **Kallmeyer:** Here. **Anger:** Carol Krzanowski. **Krzanowski:** Here. **Anger:** Richard Mastin. **Mastin:** Here (in Alliance). **Anger:** Annette

Wilson. **Wilson:** Here. **Anger:** Donna Jean Thompson. **Thompson:** Here. **Anger:** Edward L. Raymond, Jr. **Raymond:** Here. **Anger:** Jodell Raymond. **J. Raymond:** Here. **Anger:** James Simbro. **Simbro:** Here. **Anger:** Is Shino Wiley on the call? **Wiley:** Yes. **Anger:** Is there anyone whose name I have not called, who is on the call. Monte Phillips is on the call later. **Hamza:** He's not on right now. **Meeker:** Is Verna with us today? **Hannon:** Not yet. **Anger:** She's in the building, but busy doing something else. **Hamza:** She is somewhere in the immediate vicinity.

(17) **IT COMMITTEE.**

*Committee Chair: Dick Kallmeyer*

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**Simbro:** There's two things I'll talk about. Something came up I believe at the last meeting about the old logo and the New Jersey address still showing up on a lot of the PDF forms. Then, of course, I want to talk a little bit about where we sit with the new system. The old logo and address, there was really no easy way to search through all of those, so it was just a manual process. I went to the publications CFA forms menu on the website and had to open up each PDF document individually to check them. It took about an hour. Throughout the day I went through those each file by file. I found 28 of those that still had the outdated logo. Some of those had really old logos. Some had the current logo but didn't have the registration mark, so I identified all of those. Seven of the forms still had the New Jersey address. This was primarily the foreign language translated forms. There were cattery name applications and litter application instructions. So, the action I took on that was, the forms that had the address seemed to be the main ones that needed to be fixed right away, for obvious reasons. That was a pretty easy fix. I downloaded the PDF forms. We have a copy of Adobe® Acrobat® Pro here at the office, which allowed me to edit the forms, resave them. I emailed those to Kathy Durdick and I think that night she had them uploaded. So, those have been fixed. That is done. Now, it's just a process of prioritizing the forms with the old logos, downloading those, either replacing the logo or sticking the new logo over top of the new one. That process will take a little bit of time, just because of the sheer volume of them. Not every file was saved in the same format. They are all PDFs, but how they were created were different for each of those. So, we're in progress on that. That should be done before the next board meeting. That pretty much addresses that.

**Simbro:** The new system, we are making progress like the tortoise and the hare. It's slow and steady progress. Currently, the registration module I would say is 99.9% done. We find a couple of anomalies here and there. Carol Ann in New Jersey has been helping out a lot with that on verification. Registrations via pedigree are the hardest ones to incorporate into the new system, just because of the way they were stored but we are figuring that out. Computan has currently been focusing on the shows and scoring. We thought we could get away without having to import in previous seasonal data to just at least get up and running, and do that secondary once we had the system up and running, but they found that they did need to get the seasonal data in now, particularly show licenses and show entries. They feel that they can have that done this week. Provided that goes well, we are shooting for an October 14 launch of another test, and that will include registration and shows. Fingers crossed, I really would like that to just roll into the 31<sup>st</sup> and off we'll go. I'm hoping the 14<sup>th</sup> we're going to turn the system on and keep going with it, barring any major difficulties. So, that's where we are on that.

**Hamza:** So, however you folks pray, please do so about the 14<sup>th</sup> on. If things go the way we would like them to, this system will be rolling by Halloween. **Hannon:** The modules we're talking about are the registration module, and the shows and scoring module, we're looking at Halloween for that. What comes after that? **Hamza:** The user module. **Simbro:** The user interface, where people will be able to log in at their own accounts and register litters, correct their own information as far as address changes, register cats, and then we'll just kind of grow.



That will continue to grow. **Hannon:** What's your goal for that? **Simbro:** On that I don't know. They have made so many changes, that's going to get a major revamp. They have not spent any time on that because it's been all focused on the registration issues. They had something in place, so it's going to be a polishing of what they have. **Hamza:** Just so everybody is clear, what this really means – aside from the user module because that doesn't really affect this – what this really means is, if we're successful on the 31<sup>st</sup>, it means that we're operating on the new system. We won't need Bertha anymore. We'll be free of Bertha. We'll be into a modern environment and we'll be building on that from now on without having to write programs in the HP and having to backtrack to the HP. That's everything, folks. That's the whole enchilada. Then it's a matter of adding things to the new system. It's a matter of being in the new paradigm.

**Eigenhauser:** When we bring the registration module online, will it be automatically integrated into the financials? **Simbro:** Yes. Well, it will have reporting. It won't be automatically tied into QuickBooks. There's still going to be that manual reconciliation every day, but Diane and I have looked at that. It raises some problems. Using QuickBooks, QuickBooks really depends on creating invoices for every, single transaction. That would become very time consuming. We do plan on automating that somehow, but we need to work with the API with QuickBooks on how to integrate that. **Eigenhauser:** I take it, it's a yes and a no. **Simbro:** A yes and a no. **Bizzell:** This is Carla. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carla. **Bizzell:** I just wanted to mention, at least initially I wanted there to be a required daily look at the reports and that they balance before we just had information pouring into QuickBooks. In addition, I don't think we need each individual registration transaction in QuickBooks. A daily summary should be sufficient for our needs, so I didn't want to put so much detail into QuickBooks that it made it very tedious to do anything, when we have that information in the registration system, should we have to go look at something. Eventually, it would be nice once we verify that everything's working beautifully and there aren't any issues, and the payments going through PayPal match the payments that should have been made on the registration system, etc., then at some point a summary entry into QuickBooks automated would be great, but at least initially I wanted a forced match-up of everything before it went into QuickBooks. **Kallmeyer:** Dick here Jerry. **Hamza:** Go ahead Dick. **Kallmeyer:** One thing too, you won't be able to shoot Bertha with a bow and arrow when we switch over, because we are going to keep the system for at least a year just in case. We'll have all the files downloaded as well, but just in case, we'll probably have to hold on to Bertha. **Hamza:** I understand that, but the point is that she's no longer the primary carrier of the sacred information of CFA. **Kallmeyer:** Exactly. **Hamza:** She will be relegated to "just in case". **Simbro:** There will be a lot of data verification over the next year to make sure that things were recorded correctly. We're always going to have to go back to look at something. There's going to be some anomaly, registration or a litter, that we need to go back and look at, find out who did it, when it was changed and so on. **Hamza:** But what it does represent, and it's a huge, huge victory, is it represents coming out of a COBOL environment and into a Microsoft environment. From a business standpoint, it's unbelievably important.

**Hannon:** What we said before was, our target was Halloween for the customer to be able to input the data to register their litters and their cats. What I'm hearing today is, that's not so. There will be a registration module that's up and running by then, but it's just going to be the Central Office staff that is going to make use of that registration module. We're talking some point in the future where there's a user interface that the customer can actually start entering their

own data. **Simbro:** Right. **Hannon:** Alright, because we've already put the word out there that, come Halloween, they expect they are going to be able to do that. **Hamza:** Actually, if we get to where we think we're going to get by Halloween, it's a huge milestone. I don't think the user interface will be too far behind it, because all of a sudden you're working in a Microsoft environment and that's definitely the next step. **Hannon:** But the customer is probably not going to notice any difference when we roll out this stuff on Halloween. **Hamza:** They will probably notice a much faster and more efficient – it might not be that week or the following week, but in a very short period of time, this system is going to make a lot of the systems in the Central Office much more efficient and much quicker. That they will notice. **Simbro:** You'll see the quality of the certificates going out and the pedigrees going out is going to greatly change. It's going to look much more professional because they're going to come off the laser printer. No more of this smeared ink or darker on one side and lighter on the other side, on the certificates and the forms. It's going to look much more professional. **Hamza:** The perception will be felt almost immediately. It has to be. Anybody who is familiar with the difference between going from a COBOL environment to a Microsoft environment in a business application understands that this is a quantum leap. I'm half kidding when I say pray, because glitches can pop up. The nature of glitches is, they are something you never anticipated. Everything looks good right now, but let's hope there's no glitches and let's hope we get into the Microsoft environment. Once we're into the Microsoft environment, things become vastly easier. We're not writing programs in COBOL anymore, we're writing them in Microsoft. That has a tremendous effect on the user interface. How long do you think it's going to take for you? **Simbro:** For the user interface? **Hamza:** Is that a 2 month? 3 month deal? **Simbro:** I think 2 months should be reasonable. We have a base module to start with, so it's kind of changing the interface a little bit. We want to make it so that when people are logging in, they are only seeing their own information. They're not accidentally seeing other people's information. So, we want to maintain that control. **Hannon:** When you say they see their own information, what types of information can we tell them they can expect to start seeing? **Simbro:** Right when they log in, you are going to see the cats that you own. When you register a litter, you're only going to be able to use your sires and dams. **Hannon:** So if I, for example, wanted to know how many grands my cattery has produced, I could call that information up? **Simbro:** Not immediately planned, no. **Hannon:** All I'm going to see is cats I have registered, going back how far. **Simbro:** As far as there is data in there. **Kallmeyer:** Figure for '78. Anything registered after '78 is there. Before then, Central Office went back and entered the data, so you're probably looking at about '78 or so.

**Hamza:** The board comes to an important question then. Mark kind of touched it. Can we count our grands? The thing that the board is going to have to decide is, how automated do we want to get? We have to be very careful, because we've got to look at the service we provide is information. We've got to look at whatever revenue streams we're getting currently from providing that information and if you're deciding to turn that into a free stream, it's going to have an impact on CFA's bottom line. So, this board has got to be very careful going forward. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carissa. **Altschul:** I understand that. One thing I wanted to know is, can we print – like if we lose a green slip, will it allow us to print a new green slip? Right now, it's really easy to do blue slips. It's very convenient to be able to email the PDF of a blue slip to a new owner. Are we going to have that ability with green slips? **Simbro:** Yes. **Altschul:** That would be really nice. Also, when we look at it from a cost point, can we know

exactly how much money CFA makes on, say, printing cattery reports or running duplicate green slips? Then we can find out exactly how much that might cost. Maybe we could integrate that cost into the two fees we'll keep in place, which is individually registering cats and litter registrations. Maybe increase those a little bit to make up for the loss of revenue in other places.

**Hamza:** You're hitting on something that's very important. It's really the next step. It's the core step. Also, being in the Microsoft environment is going to let us do other things. One of the things that's very important that it's going to let us do, it's going to let us track our revenue streams so much better than we've been able to track them before. We're going to have to sit down and take a hard look at where our money is coming from. Like I said, this is a whole new paradigm, so we have to figure out how we want to run this, so that we're giving the customers better, but we want to make sure that we're not undercutting ourselves so much that it creates financial hardship.

**Kallmeyer:** Jerry, Dick here. **Ganoe:** This is Dennis. **Hamza:** Dick and then Dennis. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, point out too that you will probably need a new committee now to start looking at some of these new features that we might open up. Like Carissa said, what exactly are we going to do? If we can produce a grand report, are we going to charge them and how much? That's something more than IT, but it's something we want to know ahead of time that we can build into the system. So, we're going to need the finance people to look at it, etc., but you probably need a committee of 3 or 4 people to start doing some of that. **Hamza:** I agree, but the other thing that we're going to need from IT, it's always important to know how much something costs to do. **Kallmeyer:** Right, exactly. **Hamza:** So, one of the things we're going to need from the IT side of the ball is, we're going to have to identify what we would consider revenue streams now, potential revenue streams. We had talked about maybe charging people money to have access to line chase and stuff like that, so we have to identify our revenue streams now, what we might consider easily-implemented revenue streams, and then we've got to assign costs on this side of the ball, which would include your personnel fees and whatever other related to materials and supply. So, we've got to figure the cost and then we've got to figure out what we're going to charge. We are a business. We need to make money on all our revenue streams.

Dennis. **Ganoe:** On that line, one of the things that the board has to be concerned with and aware of is, the switch to the new technology allows us to not only do these things easier, it allows us to move the actual data entry to the point of service. Traditionally, our revenue has been driven by the actual registration, and we've done that and it's been very manually intensive for the Central Office staff to do the other things that pedigreed cat owners, be they exhibitors or pet owners, would possibly want. We don't produce a frame-able pedigree for our pedigreed pet owners. That would be a revenue stream possibility. There are also possibilities of, like Carissa wanted a reprint of a green slip, or we no longer send out grand certificates or things like that. Those are the kinds of things that we can now automate that can be on demand that don't really require Central Office staff to execute, other than to monitor and make sure that we get the accounting and the money coming in for that part of the business. That's the part that Dick was talking about that we needed a new committee to look at what other revenue this new technology allows us to accumulate. **Hamza:** I agree, but again, what I told Dick applies here. Even if the cost is nominal, we have to determine the cost and make business decisions. **Kallmeyer:** Right. Jerry, a few other things. One, in regard to Dennis's statement, we do have a frame-able certificate for the Household Pet recording now available and I think James put out one. The other part is, going back to Mark's comment about the user interface, they will be able to type in the information for registration. We will need somebody in Central Office to do a confirmation, just

to make sure some of the information corresponds. If there's a lease thing, there may be a check there. There may be a color check as a confirmation. The system doesn't do the automatic genetic screening for colors, so we probably want somebody just to say, "yeah, that looks OK." It saves a lot of the errors, it saves the time retyping the information that we do today, but we don't need a Central Office person to look at it. It may not be a lot of time, but it could involve something there. **Hamza:** At this point, I'm going to probably contact some of you between now and the next meeting. I way to sit and pray over this, and we'll come up with a new committee. I don't know if all of you can get your head around this yet, but if this indeed does take place on the 31<sup>st</sup> or before, this is a huge event for CFA. This is something, unfortunately when I took office, I thought was going to be a much easier task than it was. It turned out to be far more complicated and difficult than anybody imagined. I don't think we ran into anybody professionally or on the board or in any walk of life that truly understood the scope of what we decided to undertake and, even more importantly, understood the problems we were going to run into. The fact that we got past those problems is huge, because some of these problems were only going to get worse as time went on. There was a real chance that if we waited another 4 or 5 years, some of these problems couldn't have been fixed, short of starting from scratch. So, we did the right thing. It just took longer than we thought it would. I know that some of the people in the fancy got a little impatient, but this wasn't anything to be rushed or to do it wrong. We are a company that is as good as our information. We always talk about the integrity of our information. I think we've preserved that. I would like the whole board to sit down and think what this means for the future of CFA. It is a big deal. Having said that, James, do you have anything else? **Simbro:** No. **Hamza:** Does anybody have anything else?

(18) **MENTOR/NEWBEE PROGRAM.**

*Committee Co-Chairs: Carol Krzanowski and Teresa Keiger*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Both the Mentor and NewBee areas of the committee have been very active in recent months. Mentor Program inquiries, including emails and completed protégé applications, have increased from an average of 3-4 inquiries a month at this time last year to a current average of 3-4 inquiries a week. Mentor requests have been received from all CFA Regions as well as the International Division, and our coordinators have done an excellent job of pairing protégés with mentors.*

*The NewBee Program has been seeing several new folks sign up for the group each week. Everyone in the group has done a pleasant job of reassuring them and answering questions. In fact, the NewBee Program has even had a few folks connect at some shows. A couple of brand new folks will be attending the World Show, and for one it will be her first show ever.*

*Our team has been really staying on top of monitoring the email from the CFA 800 number and answering or forwarding inquiries as appropriate. Many of the inquiries are actually registration questions or otherwise pertain to Central Office functions, but some are show related (see Action Item).*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The committee continues functioning smoothly to efficiently handle inquiries, as well as offer guidance and support, in order to provide new breeders and exhibitors with a good foundation in CFA.*

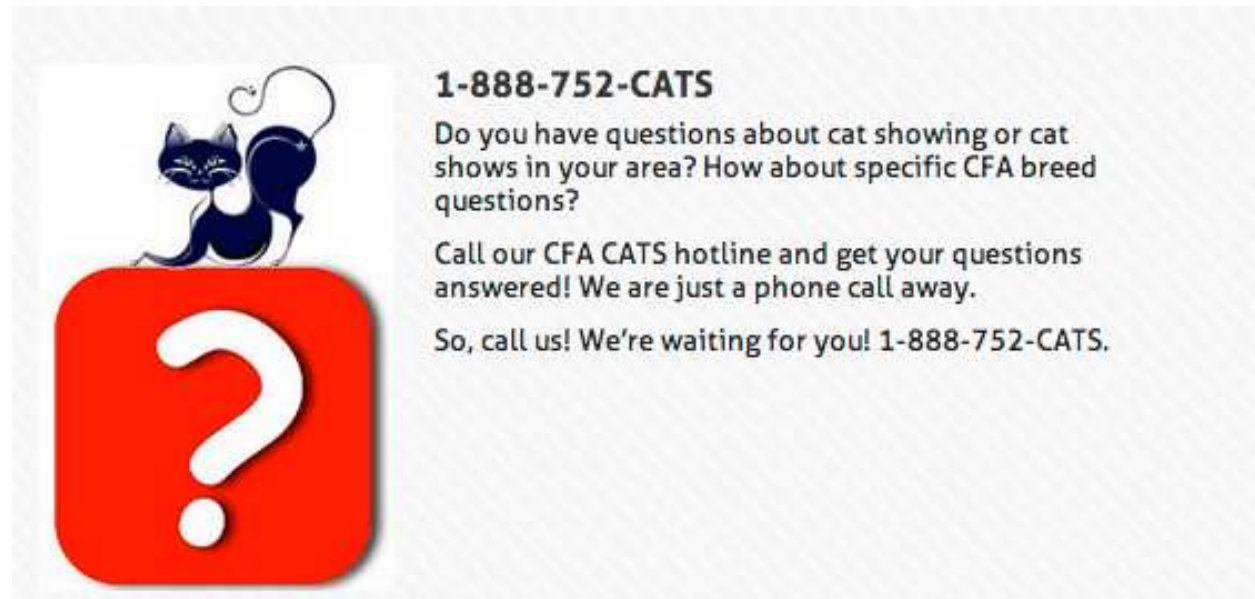
*The Mentor Program has begun utilizing the team approach to mentoring for a few protégés, but it is too soon to tell whether or not this method will be successful. Ed Raymond recently provided the Mentor Program with a brief release (attached) for protégés to sign when they are paired with their mentors. The release will soon be distributed to our regional/divisional coordinators for use in the field.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*We are working on a small printed piece for the World Show that we plan to insert in the exhibitor check-in packets. The piece will include a short description of both the Mentor Program and the NewBee Program along with contact information for both. This piece will also be available for potential cat fanciers to pick up at the CFA booth.*

**Board Action Item:**

*Current text on the CFA web site home page regarding the CFA 800 number reads as follows:*



***Action Item:*** Add a note at the end of this 800 number text as follows:

*NOTE: For questions regarding registration or other CFA business, please call the CFA Central Office number directly at 330-680-4070.*

*Rationale: The intent of the 800 number was to field questions about breeds and shows, not to answer CFA business questions. Adding this note will help expedite handling of important registration and business questions by eliminating the 800 number response team from the equation, thereby speeding response and alleviating work by team members to redirect questions they cannot answer.*

**Time Frame:**

*The Mentor/NewBee printed piece will be available for distribution at the World Show in November.*

*All other committee work is ongoing.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*We will present an update on the activities of the Mentor and NewBee Programs.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol Krzanowski & Teresa Keiger, Co-Chairs*

**Hamza:** Carol, with the Mentor/NewBee Programs. **Krzanowski:** Yes, the Mentor and NewBee Programs are both moving along well. They both have been quite active recently and all the requests continue to be handled efficiently. We do have an action item on there. After Mark read our action item, he did email us to indicate that there are two banners currently designed for use on the CFA home page at the top that are in the rotation there, that do mention the 800 number and that registration requests should be directed to the main number. However, a problem arose during our email discussion, where I said, as many times as I have logged onto the home page, I had never seen that banner and neither had Teresa, which is why we requested this action item. Mark has already redesigned the graphic that's going to be used in the next rotation to indicate that not only registration but business questions should be directed to the main number. This is an issue that we've encountered with the 800 number team. It seems that some people feel that the 800 number is for everyone, not just for folks who have questions about pedigreed cats and showing and visiting a cat show. We have received registration questions and other CFA business questions, and we've even received a question from a judge looking for permission to judge overseas, so it's important that we note in as many places as possible that those types of questions should be directed to the main office number. But, on the banners appearing on the home page, it might be helpful if at some point we could have them rotate automatically so that when a user logs on, they will see the banner change every so many seconds. That's something that happens on many other websites that I visit. We also have that in place for – one of the banners right now, I think the "I See Kitty", it rotates automatically. If all the banners do that, I think it would make the site more user friendly and might call attention to the use of the 800 number for what it's really supposed to be. So, I don't know if I still need the action item at this point. I guess you can tell me what you feel. If so, then perhaps we can vote on it. **Hamza:** I don't think we need to vote, unless somebody is in opposition to it. I think it's just something we do. **Hannon:** Carol, one of the things we're talking about doing is, on that home page, on the left side in the first column, I think it starts with an ad for our magazine and there are a couple things below that, we want to make the top item the 800 or the 888 number, and we'll mention there, *for registration or business questions, call the main number* and we will provide that, so we don't have to wait for it to rotate. It will just permanently be there. **Krzanowski:** That's great. That will help a lot. Thank you. **Hannon:** Ginger, do you want to address the problem of the rotating banners? **Meeker:** When I made contact with Kathy Durdick, apparently with the format we're in and the way it works is an incredibly complex and time-consuming procedure. She is working on it and it's going to take a chunk of time. I will get back with her and see what her time frame is, but she is working on it. I think she was very frustrated that people thought she wasn't doing anything. **Hamza:** No. Tell her we know she works her butt off and we appreciate it. **Meeker:** I'll be happy to relay that message, and I'll get a time frame on the banner rotation. **Hamza:** I don't think there's anybody here who can say they haven't seen tremendous improvements in the website and the IT functions of CFA. We would have to think that Kathy was involved in a lot of that.

**Hamza:** I have a question for you, Carol. **Krzanowski:** Yes. **Hamza:** Are we quantifying these calls to the 800 number, and do we know where they're coming from? What's driving the calls? **Krzanowski:** That I'm not sure of. I would have to check and see if that information is in the log. I'm not sure that it is. **J. Raymond:** I can answer that, Carol. We are quantifying those calls. What we haven't done yet – we have to close the loop, and what we have not done yet is,

figure out a way to follow up with people who have given us their email address. We do capture at least their email addresses, but now to have permission granted to contact them further, so we have been doing that for the past 60 days. **Hamza:** Just for instance, and I'm not looking for an exact number. A ballpark figure is good. How many calls a month are going into there? **J. Raymond:** I can get you that figure exactly, but it's probably about 100 to 200 right now.

**Hamza:** OK, and what's driving that? Is that mostly the QR codes? **J. Raymond:** That's our site. That's all the site. **Hamza:** So, none of it is coming off the litter box? **J. Raymond:** Jerry, it's hard to tell where it's coming from. My guess is, the minute we put it on the site, it just took off.

**Hannon:** We put it on FaceBook periodically. **J. Raymond:** We do put it up there from time to time, but I think it's on our site. **Hamza:** So, we're driving our own traffic. The 800 number was a good idea, but you don't know how much of it is coming from the QR? **J. Raymond:** No.

**Hamza:** That would be a really good question to ask: "Where did you encounter the number?" Because then it allows us to look at if it's making a difference somewhere and we can tweak it. If there's a way without getting too complicated, to quantify this and try to figure out what's driving it would be kind of cool. **J. Raymond:** We can have them ask the question. **Hamza:** OK. Anything else here? **Krzanowski:** No, that's all I have. Thank you. **Hamza:** I think it's great that the 800 number, you start something like that and you wonder how it is. If it is indeed driving 200+ calls a month, that's a worthwhile thing. It sounds like you're in a developmental stage of making sure you capture these folks. **J. Raymond:** Yes. **Hamza:** OK. So, I would like to see something shortly where we've either got a program implemented or what you plan to do, and if you need help to capturing these people. We've got their information; now, how do we approach them and how do we get them into our family. **Krzanowski:** Right. **Meeker:** Jerry, can I ask a question? **Hamza:** Go ahead Ginger. **Meeker:** When we capture the data, do we get a zip code? **J. Raymond:** We ask them, Ginger, if it's feasible to give a phone number and an email address. These operators are not on the phone for long, and we were limited in the amount of questions that we could ask them. I think it was up to 5. **Meeker:** Because I was just wondering, if we got a zip code, we could link that in with the *Find a Show Nearest You*. **Hamza:** You know what would be good, and it's part of capturing the people is, when we get their email we ask them for their physical address, and tell them that we would like to have their address so we can send you our newsletter and some coupons or whatever. Maybe get with one of our marketing partners, and maybe put out a newsletter every quarter. See if we can't get them to pay for including their coupons. If they got a newsletter with some Dr. Elsey's coupons and maybe a food company coupon and they pay the postage, that's great then. Because all of a sudden, they're getting penetration, we're getting penetration. These are the things that, in your committee, you have to be proactive. It's great to have the numbers come in, but you've got to capture these people now. So, that's the next step. **J. Raymond:** Right. How about if I get a plan together and submit it at the next meeting? **Hamza:** That would be great.



(19) WORLD SHOW UPDATE.

*Show Manager:* **Rich Mastin**  
*Assistant Show Managers:* **Ed Raymond; Mark Hannon**  
*Show Secretary:* **Rachel Anger**  
*Show Treasurer:* **Teresa Sweeney**

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[from beginning of Sunday meeting] **Hamza:** Since Monte is here with us, Monte I have a quick question for you that's not related to show rules. What do you have, as far as entries for the World Show? **Phillips:** Red currently has 432 regular entries plus 3 agility, Purple has 442 plus 2 agility, so total I have 874. **Hamza:** OK. So, it's chugging along at a regular rate. We can't ask for more than that. **Phillips:** I get about 2-3 entries per day. **Hamza:** Assuming that it remains flat, we'll come close to filling. Usually, you get a bump at the last minute, right? **Phillips:** I hope so. **Hamza:** I hope so, too. I think, either way, we come really close. **Phillips:** We'll certainly be over the 450 numbers, that's for sure. **Kallmeyer:** How many Household Pets? **Phillips:** 11. **Hamza:** Is that 11 all together? **Hannon:** Yes, it's all in one show. **Phillips:** They're all in the Red Show. Household Pets are only in the Red Show.

[from after Mentor/NewBee report] **Hamza:** Rachel, you've got the World Show update. **Anger:** Yes. The final floor plan came back from the decorator on Friday. I believe that means we can go ahead and start getting the vendors situated. Monte has provided an entry update earlier in the meeting, so you have those figures which will be included here in the minutes. Lorna Friemoth has done a great job on sponsorship, and I believe we are fully sponsored. All of our categories have been covered, although if people or clubs would like to submit additional sponsorship, I am sure she would find a place for their dollars. At this point, most of the show details are in great shape. Several Michigan clubs are volunteering supplies and personnel assistance. I will be sending out a help wanted email beginning on the Region 4 list for volunteers to help with some of the more immediate items, like show set-up, transportation, additional cats and help for the Education Ring, hospitality and various other details. Other than that, I think we're in pretty good shape. **Hannon:** Pet Expo? **Anger:** Pet Expo. We have it staffed. I have volunteers that have graciously volunteered to help out with that. We have John Hiemstra and Kristine Mielstrip, as well as Larry and Sally Rickman, some Maine Coon folks from Michigan. **Hannon:** Teresa has created a poster that you now have possession of that you're going to be displaying there, and you're going to pick up the CFA booth this weekend to take with you? **Anger:** Exactly. **Hannon:** Do you have anything else? **Mastin:** No. **Hamza:** I just want to say, I'm pretty encouraged with the entry so far. I think we've got a really good chance to fill, so if you're reading this in the minutes and you're thinking about waiting until the last minute, you might not want to. Enter early and enter often, like a Chicago election. I didn't make that up. That's an old, old adage. Any other questions?

(20) **SHOW RULES.**

**Committee Chair:** Monte Phillips  
**List of Committee Members:** Cathy Dunham, Kathy Gumm, Shirley Michaud-Dent

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Based on the commitment at the February 2013 teleconference Board meeting, the Committee has been working for the past several months on a complete revamping of the show rules to make them functionally oriented and eliminate rule duplications. Due to the size of the proposed changes (the entire rulebook), the format presented is at the beginning of the following page. Changes voted on at the annual and proposed through requests to either the show committee or made at prior Board Meetings have been incorporated and those requiring a vote are listed in strikeout/underline format. We did not go with the comparative text method as for the most part, none of the old show rules numbers match a current show rule number. That being said, no show rule was deleted UNLESS its complete duplicate was found elsewhere. To aid exhibitors, judges, etc., the rules also contain a cross-reference whereby the old rule number can be located in the new version.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Complete revamp of entire set of show rules incorporating all changes voted on at the annual and requests received by the Show Committee since April 2013 (date when changes could be forwarded to the annual.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The committee has put the review of point requirements for grading in abeyance while the show rule revamp process was underway. Once the final version of the revamp work is completed, we plan to go back and look at those statistics, but no proposals will be made until the 2014 Annual meeting. The Committee has also prepared a show rule change that will impact regional/divisional area assignments, taking that process away from a shear choice and making it dependent on showing habits for exhibitors with co-owned cats.*

**Action Items:**

*Approve revamped rules for the 2014-2015 show season.*

**Time Frame:**

*At the current board meeting.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*It is our hope to have this project behind us, but if not, we'll work to complete it at the next meeting.*



# S H O W

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## Grand Points

### Available Online and Via Phone

Check grand points at [hol.cfa.org/herman.asp](http://hol.cfa.org/herman.asp). National/Regional points from past show seasons are also available using this feature. Grand point info can also be accessed by calling 330-680-4617. Be sure to have your cat's registration number available in either case. Grand points from the previous weekend will be posted no later than the Thursday night following the show.

## Downloadable

### Show Entry Forms

The CFA Show Entry Form is available to download from CFA's web site at the following address:

<http://www.cfa.org/AboutCFA/CFAforms.aspx>

Other CFA forms are also available including the Championship/Premiership Clam Form and the Litter Registration Application Form.

### Show Records Data file Information

The "CFA Data File" must be provided to the CFA Central Office either as a file emailed directly to Central Office by the show entry clerk or as a diskette included in the show package which the show secretary mails via an overnight service to CFA Central Office. This file, which is used by the Central Office during the scoring of the show, will be a specified format of the cat and exhibitor database (it does not include any of the financial files for the show). For Central Office to utilize the information on the disk, it must be received prior to or with the receipt of the show results - - do not send it under separate cover at a later date.

### Instructions

The entry clerk should create the disk at the time of printing the catalog, master clerk's catalog and the judge's books (color class sheets). Once the entries have been sorted and the first print file is created DO NOT MAKE ANY ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE DATA FILE. Making an addition or correcting a birth date, title or color of a cat may cause a resort and the new file will not be in the same order as the original file that was created.

For the specified file format and to create the file using the various types of entry clerk software available, please visit the CFA website at <http://www.cfa.org/exhibitors/show-data.html>.

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This is an entire re-vamping and restructuring of the show rules. In those cases where changes have been made to the 2013-2014 version, a vertical line ( | ) to the left of a rule indicates the additional text added. The cross reference provided shows the rule location in prior years' versions of these rules and the corresponding location in this version.



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**PROLOGUE:** Exhibitors, clubs and show officials are expected to adhere to all regulations and requirements specific to the country in which any CFA Show is held. *It is the policy of CFA to penalize member clubs by suspension or expulsion for shows that exhibit a flagrant disregard of these Show Rules.* Unsportsmanlike conduct on anyone's part will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

### Article I

#### DEFINITIONS

- 1.01** An **AGILITY HANDLER** is a person who leads the cat through the agility course.
- 1.02** An **ALTERED CAT** is one that has had the testicles (in a male) or the ovaries (in a female) removed surgically. A vasectomized cat is not eligible for entry. A Neuter is an altered male and a spay is an altered female.
- 1.03** A **BENCHED CAT** is one that is present and qualified for competition and judged in at least one ring. Such cat is presumed to be benched and present for competition throughout the entire show. Any cat competing in a ring, including a disqualified cat, is considered a benched cat for scoring purposes.
- 1.04** A **BENCHED CHAMPION** or **PREMIER** is one that is present and qualified for competition and judged in one ring as a Champion or Premier. Champions or Premiers, including Opens competing as Champions or Premiers, transferred to Grand Champion or Grand Premier after the first day of a two day show will be counted as a Champion or Premier in all rings. Such cat is presumed to be benched and present for competition throughout the entire show. Any cat competing in a ring, including a disqualified cat, is considered a benched cat for Grand Championship and Grand Premiership scoring purposes.
- 1.05** A **CAT** is used in these rules to mean a domestic feline of the age of 8 calendar months or more of either sex, whole, neutered or spayed., as a **DOMESTIC** feline is a subspecies, known as a *Felis catus*, within the *Felis* genus.
- 1.06** **CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES**
- a. The **NOVICE CLASS** is for altered or unaltered "listed" (unregistered) cats, of either sex, altered or unaltered, 8 calendar months old or over on the opening day of the show whose color and breed is CFA registerable as the breed being shown, including longhair exotics shown as Persians and Oriental Shorthairs shown as Colorpoint Shorthairs (see rule 5.08), and who do not have a temporary registration number. The sire and dam of these cats must be printed in the show catalog. Entries that do not meet this requirement are not eligible for entry. Qualifying rings are awarded in the Novice class. Upon the cat's registration with CFA, these will be posted to the cat's record towards its Champion/Premier title. Cats competing in the Novice class may not go on to compete as Champions/Premiers. Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points and are not included in counts determining the number of cats present in any class. This class is for all licensed shows.
- b. The **OPEN CLASS** is for CFA registered cats with either a temporary or permanent registration number of a color accepted for Championship competition, or either sex, 8 calendar months

old or over on the opening day of the show, except cats that have completed requirements for Championship confirmation. When a cat has completed requirements for confirmation, it is **ineligible** for the Open Class at any subsequent show (see 26.01 and 26.05). Opens are listed in the show catalog as opens and in the judge's book as champions. For the purposes of judging only, the open class is considered a subset of the champion class. Opens compete in the champion class and count as champions.

c. The **CHAMPION CLASS** is for cats that have completed Championships in this Association, and for which the required Championship claim form and fee has been mailed to the Central Office, claimed on-line or filed with the show master clerk. The Champion Class includes opens (with either temporary or permanent registration numbers) for competition purposes. Opens are listed in the show catalog as opens and the judge's book as champions. Opens compete in the champion class and count as champions.

d. The **GRAND CHAMPION CLASS** is for cats with either a temporary or permanent registration number that have completed Grand Championships in CFA. These cats have been confirmed automatically by the Central Office, have attained sufficient banked points with a temporary registration number, or the owner/agent has transferred the cat with the master clerk at the end of the first day of a two day show, believing that the cat has met the requirements to be a Grand.

- 1.07** **CLASS** refers to the competitive divisions within the competitive categories as follows: Kitten, AOV, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) and Household Pet classes; Novice, Open, Champion and Grand Champion classes; Novice, Open, Premier and Grand Premier classes.
- 1.08** **COLOR CLASS** refers to the various recognized color/pattern classifications.
- 1.09** **COMPETITIVE CATEGORY** refers to the three major competitive groups: Non-Championship, Championship, and Premiership (Alter).
- 1.10** A **CONCURRENT** ring is not a **SUBSEQUENT** show for the purposes of these rules.
- 1.11** To **DISQUALIFY**: to remove from competition. The class is judged as if the entry were not present. Causes for disqualification are listed in Article III and in each breed standard. An entry may be disqualified by the show committee, the veterinarian, the judge or the Central Office.
- 1.12** An **ENTRY** is a cat or kitten for which an entry form or facsimile thereof has been submitted to the show entry clerk online or by mail and accepted for competition. An entry is also a cat or kitten entered in the Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) Class. Also, as used in these rules, an **ENTRY** is also the process of submitting an entry form to the entry clerk.
- 1.13** An **EXHIBITOR**, as used in these rules, is the owner or agent of single or multiple entries in a show as designated on the entry form.

- 1.14** **FINAL AWARDS** – refer to show rule 10.30 for a list of finals awards.
- 1.15** A **KITTEN** is a cat under the age of 8 calendar months.
- 1.16** **LISTING** is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are permitted at all licensed shows.
- 1.17** **NON-CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES**
- a. The **KITTEN CLASS** is for any kitten, male or female, altered or unaltered, not less than 4 months but under 8 calendar months old on the opening day of the show, which, if an adult, would be eligible to compete in a Championship/Premiership Class.
- b. The **VETERAN CLASS** is for any male or female, altered or unaltered, not younger than 7 years on the opening day of the show that if the owner chose to, could otherwise be shown in the championship or premiership classes. Veterans are not eligible for any Best-in-Show awards other than what might be awarded to veterans only. Cats entered in the Veterans Class are ineligible for competition in competitive categories (Championship and Premiership) at the same show.
- c. The **AOV (Any Other Variety) CLASS** is for any registered cat or registered kitten, the ancestry of which entitles it to Championship or Premiership competition, but which does not (colorwise; coatwise; sexwise; as in the case of naturally tailless or naturally partially tailless breeds, tailwise; or earwise) conform to the accepted show standard. A cat with a disqualifying trait(s) as listed in the breed standard is not eligible for competition in the AOV class. An AOV entry is eligible only for awards in the AOV class of its own breed. AOV's compete separately as kittens, adult whole cats or altered cats within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class and 2nd Best of Color Class. One Color Class per breed. For a list of those breeds which have AOV classes, see 28.01 and Article XXIX.
- d. The **PROVISIONAL BREED CLASS** is for any registered cat or registered kitten of a breed not accepted for Championship competition when CFA has approved a provisional standard for that breed. Cats entered in the Provisional Breed Class are eligible only for awards in the Provisional Breed Class. Provisional breeds compete separately as kittens, adult whole cats, or altered cats within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class and 2nd Best of Color Class - one class per category (i.e. Kitten, Championship, Premiership).
- e. The **MISCELLANEOUS (Non-Competitive) CLASS** is for any registered cat or registered kitten of a breed not accepted for Provisional Breed competition. Miscellaneous Class entries are examined by judges; however, no awards will be made in this class.
- f. The **HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS** is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry. Household Pets are eligible only for awards in the Household Pet Class. Household Pets are to be judged separately from all other cats, solely on beauty and condition. Wild cats or wild cat-domestic cat hybrid crosses are not eligible for entry. (See Article V – Entering the Show).
- g. The **EXHIBITION ONLY CLASS** is for any cat or kitten for which an entry form has been received, and for which a listing appears in the show catalog, but which is not scheduled for handling in any ring.
- 1.18** To **PENALIZE**: a judge deducts from an exhibit a portion, or all, of the points allotted to a specific part of the standard for that exhibit.
- 1.19** A **PERMANENT REGISTRATION NUMBER** is the number obtained upon registering the cat/kitten from either a CFA litter registration or from the appropriate generation pedigree as required by the registration rules for each breed.
- 1.20** **PRINTED** as used in these rules and unless otherwise noted (e.g. hand-printed), refers to information which has been mechanically reproduced.
- 1.21** **PREMIERSHIP CLASSES**
- a. Premiership Classes are for CFA registered, neutered or spayed cats, 8 calendar months old or over, that would, as whole cats, be eligible to compete in the Championship classes.
- b. The following classes will be recognized for neuters and spays of each Championship Color Class: Grand Premier, Premier, Open and Novice. The eligibility for each class will be determined in the same manner as for the corresponding class in Championship competition.
- 1.22** A **REGISTERED CAT** is a cat for which a CFA registration number, permanent or temporary, has been received from the Central Office.
- 1.23** A **RING** is a competition judged by one judge.
- 1.24** A **SHOW** is any commonly licensed concurrent series of rings sponsored by the same show management, administered by the same show committee, and held in the same location.
- 1.25** **SHOW MANAGEMENT** when used in these rules refers to:
- a. The club sponsoring the show or its Executive (governing) Board, or;
- b. the Regional Director(s) in the case of a regional show.
- 1.26** **SHOW PRODUCING SERVICE**: shall mean any individual, group of individuals, partnership or corporation, whether doing business under the name of any individual or a fictitious firm name, which performs or offers to perform, for any fee or other compensation, any one or more of the following services for any CFA member club:
- a. Act in the capacity of entry clerk;
- b. Act in the capacity of show secretary;
- c. Act in the capacity of show manager;
- d. Assume any management, control or possession, however slight, of any funds relating to or generated by the production of a CFA licensed show;
- e. Assume any management, control or direction, however slight, over the selection or contracting of any CFA licensed judge, any show hall, any cage rental service or any independent retail vendor to be hired for or used in connection with any CFA licensed show.
- In the event that the individual, all members of the group of individuals, all members of the partnership or all officers, directors and shareholders of the corporation otherwise falling within the terms of this definition are valid and duly elected members of the club for which the services are performed, they shall not be deemed to be a show producing service.

- 1.27** A TEMPORARY REGISTRATION NUMBER (TRN) is a number provided to listed cats who wish to compete at a CFA show and earn awards in any competitive category, e.g., points earned and qualifying rings will be credited to the cat (see rule 5.16 on how to obtain a TRN).
- 1.28** A TRADITIONAL DATE occurs when a club holds a show for two (2) consecutive years on the same weekend (also referred to as date). Traditional dates come in two types: fixed, i.e., a specific weekend of the month such as the first, second, third, or fourth (note – the fifth weekend of a month can never be a traditional date as there are at least two consecutive years where the weekend does not exist); or floating, i.e., tied to an event such as Easter, a national holiday, the last weekend in the show season, etc. Clubs that do not hold a show for two (2) consecutive years on their traditional date will lose the distinction of having a traditional date weekend.
- For clubs that hold a show on a biennial basis, i.e., every other year, their traditional show date will be month, weekend and either odd or even to indicate the year of the show. These clubs will lose the distinction of having a traditional date after a show is not held for two (2) consecutive show dates.
- 1.29** A WEEKEND is a two-day consecutive period occurring either on a Friday/Saturday, Saturday/Sunday, or Sunday/Monday. The ~~first~~ weekend of any month is the ~~first~~ weekend where both the Saturday and Sunday of that weekend are within that month except for the months of April and May. For April, the last weekend of the month is the last weekend where both the Saturday and Sunday of that weekend are within that month. [Tracy]
- 1.30** To WITHHOLD AWARDS: a judge withholds awards from an otherwise eligible entry when in his opinion an entry is not worthy of them. Causes for withholding awards are listed in rule 10.22 and 10.23.
- 1.31** The YOUTH FELINE EDUCATION PROGRAM is a program recognized by CFA which is set forth in the CFA Youth Feline Education Guidelines.

~~its acceptance to the judge within 35 days of said date by returning two copies of this agreement executed by the club to the judge, the offer expires and the judge is not obligated further. Judges must send a signed copy of all approved guest judging contracts to the CFA Central Office. [2/3]~~

If a CFA judge who is under contract to officiate at 2, 3 or more consecutive, non-CFA sanctioned shows as a guest judge, has cause to cancel these foreign assignments in response to a change of circumstances domestically (excluding illness or incapacitation) then the judge is allowed to accept a CFA show on any of these same weekends.

b. Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered only by Approved or Approval Pending judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is licensed. Note: Once a judge is approved in one specialty, they may judge the other specialty once licensed as an apprentice.

Judges residing in Region 9 or the International Division may judge in Region 9 or the International Division.

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. A Judge may only judge the level at which they are licensed.

d. For shows in Regions 1-9, individuals may guest judge for CFA a maximum of five (5) times per show season and a maximum of two (2) times per club per show season.

**2.03** An invitation from a club to a judge MUST indicate if he/she will work one or two days. If the judge will only be working one day, the invitation MUST indicate which day.

**2.04** An invitation from any CFA Region club to a judge must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 15 days from the date of receipt.

An invitation from a Region 9 or International Division club must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 35 days from the date of receipt.

**2.05** If the judge is willing to accept the invitation, he must send an offer in the form of a signed CFA judging contract in triplicate, or one copy transmitted electronically containing a provision that this contract is subject to the judge being an authorized CFA judge on the day of the show. This offer must be dated on the date it is mailed or transmitted, ~~containing a provision that this contract is subject to the judge being an authorized CFA judge on the day of the show. [2/3]~~

**2.06** The first copy of the contract will be sent to the judge. The second copy will be sent to the Central Office with the show license application (see paragraph 3.04.b). The third copy of the contract will be retained by the club for its files.

**2.07** A judge who has mailed or electronically transmitted an offer in the form of a signed contract to a club is bound to hold his offer to judge that show open for a period of 15 days from the date of receipt. Unless a signed acceptance in the form of one copy of the contract executed by the club is received by the judge within 15 days, the offer of the judge will be considered to have expired. [2/3]

**2.08** A contract that has been signed by both the judge and an officer of the club is binding on both judge and club. If a club

## Article II

### INVITATIONS TO AND ACCEPTANCES BY JUDGES

**2.01** A member club must not call upon persons who are not on the CFA judges list for judging engagements without first having secured approval from the Guest Judge Administrator of the Judging Program.

**2.02** a. Invitations from clubs affiliated with non-CFA cat associations are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program/Board and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approved Specialty, or Approval Pending Allbreed or Specialty judges. Household Pet, 4-H, pet fairs and seminars may be accepted by any licensed CFA judge, who should notify the Judging Program Chairman prior to accepting the invitation.

~~After appropriate permission is received from the Judging Program/CFA Board for a judge to accept a non-CFA foreign guest assignment, he/she must send a CFA Judging Contract in triplicate to the club. When signed and dated by the judge, this constitutes an offer to officiate. This offer will remain in effect for a period of 35 days from the date set opposite the judge's signature. Unless the club accepts this offer and communicates~~



wishes to make minor changes to the contract (format, day change on a back to back), the contract does not need to be rewritten. When agreed upon by both parties, these changes may be made and forwarded to the Central Office by email or fax.

**2.09** A binding contract may be abrogated or renegotiated by mutual agreement of the parties thereto. When a contract has been abrogated by a club (i.e. too many judges invited, show cancelled, etc.) and through no action or fault of the judge, the judge may exhibit or accept another assignment for the weekend.

**2.10** A judge has an obligation to fulfill a mutually signed contract except in verifiable, extenuating circumstances.

**2.11** When a judge has asked to be released from his contract, or declines to renegotiate his contract, a. he may not exhibit, b. he may not accept another judging assignment for another club that weekend.

This does not apply to a judge whose contract has been mutually terminated because of a change in residence, change in format, or a judge who is unable to fulfill his contract for verifiable medical reasons. Permission to exhibit on that weekend must be requested from the Judging Program, and approval is contingent upon fulfilling the requirements of show rule 2.09 or the policies of the Judging Program Committee.

**2.12** A judge may not accept two shows at different locations in any one weekend in the United States and Canada.

**2.13** For Championship, Kitten, Premiership and Veteran classes, a CFA judge (at least Apprentice) or approved guest judge must be used. For Household Pet classes it is permissible for a club to use a Trainee. Depending on the show location, the number of judges that must be CFA judges at the show are as follows:

Regions 1-9		International Division	
No. of Rings	CFA Judges	No. of Rings	CFA Judges
2-3	2	2-3	2
4-5	3	4-5	3
6	4	6	4
7	5	7	5
8	6	8-9	6
9-10	7	10-11	7
11	8	12	8
12	9		

As used above, 11 or 12 rings constitutes two 5 or more ring shows at the same location on the same weekend, sponsored by one or more clubs.

**2.14** When a contract judge is unable to officiate, the show management should secure the services of a CFA judge authorized to officiate at that type of show. A judging contract must be signed prior to the start of judging, a copy being sent to the Central Office as soon as possible.

**2.15** The show secretary must submit the show license application to the Central Office as outlined in show rule 3.04.

### Article III

## LICENSING THE SHOW

**3.01** A member club holding any type of show where CFA awards are to be made must secure a license. A member club or Regional Director(s) applying for a license shall by such act be

deemed to have agreed to conduct the show in strict conformity with these rules and, if called upon by the Executive Board or Judging Program Chairman to do so, submit a report on the work and conduct of the officiating judge(s) and such other information on the conduct of the show, including a financial report on such form as the CFA Board may prescribe.

**3.02** The following fees are required for the issuance of a show license:

a. club dues and insurance up to and including the year in which the show is to be held;

b. show license and show insurance fee;

c. any other outstanding fees.

**3.03** No show license shall be denied because the same date has been scheduled by one or more other clubs with the following exceptions:

a. No other show within the same region will be licensed on the weekend as a regional show held in conjunction with a region's annual awards ceremony;

b. No show within the International Division will be licensed on the same weekend within 1000 kilometers of another show licensed in the International Division;

c. Any show held on a weekend or in a city different from the previous year must have written permission of either the Regional Director for the region (region 1-9) in which the show is planning to be held or from the International Division Chair for International Division shows. Written permission must accompany the show license application. Before granting permission, the Regional Director shall notify all subscribers of the CFA News announcements or a similar CFA-managed email list of such a license request. Clubs wishing to provide comment may do so to their Regional Director within 7 days of the announcement. While the Regional Directors will consider all input, they are not bound by it. This is in addition to any other policy used by the CFA Executive Board to manage the show schedule. This does not apply to shows licensed within the state of Hawaii.

d. Regional Director (RD) and adjoining Regional Director approval is required for any club to obtain a show license with one exception. Clubs holding a show on their traditional date do not require RD approval to hold a show on that date in any subsequent year. In cases where a floating traditional date lands on the weekend of a fixed traditional date in the same region, RD approval is required to license either or both shows.

CFA's Central Office shall maintain a page on the CFA website listing all traditional dates, including at a minimum the name of the club holding the traditional date and the ~~traditional~~ city and state (and where applicable, country) of the last show. [SRC]

e. Clubs that hold traditional dates and do not plan to hold a show for one year should let their Regional Director know as soon as possible. The date will be considered "vacant" for the one year only and will become available to the region or other club(s) for a one-time only show date.

With the permission of the Regional Director, another club may hold a one-time only show on the vacant weekend. The club that is approved to hold a show on the vacant date will submit with the show license a letter signed by their President

and Secretary acknowledging the show as a one-time only show for that weekend. A copy of the letter will be sent to the Regional Director.

**3.04** Application for license should be received in the Central Office with a postmark of 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 post-marked 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 license is received in the Central Office with less than 7 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show.

A club will be considered not in good standing until the late filing fee is paid.

The show secretary of the benching club must submit to the Central Office the following

a. license application for each sponsoring club in duplicate. (Any member club may request any other member club to sponsor one or more of its concurrent rings. In such cases, an additional show license application for each ring sponsor, signed by the sponsoring club's secretary, is required. A ring sponsor must also be a member in good standing.)

b. ONE executed copy of each judging contract.

c. the show license fee and show insurance fee.

These documents and fees must be submitted as a package, and the Central Office will not issue the license for any show until all the papers have been received in proper order. The office will return copies of the approved license(s).

Applicable late filing fees will apply if a completed application with all judging contracts and show license and insurance fees is received with a postmark of less than 90 days from the opening day of the show.

\*Clubs are permitted to schedule one ring for which no judge(s) has been contracted (commonly known as a "to be announced" (TBA) judge). If a club chooses to schedule such a ring, include the initials "TBA" on the show license under the judging information section and the type of ring scheduled for the TBA judge. Completed judges contracts (to include the name and signature of the judge) for any previously scheduled TBA judge(s) must be received in the Central Office no later than 30 days prior to the opening day of the show.

Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in club sponsorship will be allowed except the addition of a club or clubs as co-sponsor(s) if requested no later than 30 days prior to the opening date of the show. [2/3]

Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in format, including a change in a judge's assignment (e.g. allbreed to specialty or specialty to allbreed) will be permitted, except in the case of an emergency. An emergency constitutes a situation where one or more contracted judges cannot judge the show as contracted. If as a result of an emergency the club is notified more than 30 days in advance of a judge's inability to fulfill their contract(s), a revised license application must be sent to the Central Office for approval. The show judges, exhibitors and Regional Director must be notified immediately of any change in format or assigned judges.

In cases of emergency, format changes will be permitted without prior Board approval provided the request is received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 30 days prior to the opening day of the show. The request must include a description of the emergency necessitating the format change. Revised judging contracts must be obtained before the format change request is submitted if a judge's ring type is being changed.

In cases where the club is notified of the emergency less than 30 days in advance of the show, such as on the day before or day of the show, a change in format/judging assignment must be approved by the CFA Board's Executive Committee. The club must contact a member of the Executive Committee as soon as the emergency becomes known to the club. Once approved by the Executive Committee, revised judging contracts must be submitted to Central Office with the show package if not submitted earlier if a judge is replaced for the show or a judge's assignment changes.

A change from a two-day show where all judges and entries are present both days to a back-to-back show, a switch of days for a one-day show from Saturday/Sunday only to Sunday/Saturday only. [Anger] or the addition of Household Pet and/or Veterans [FR passed] judging, are not considered a format change (see rule 3.07); however, Central Office and all contracted judges must be notified of the change by the club.

If a show scheduled as a two day show is changed to a one day show or a show scheduled as a one day show is changed to a two day show, the judges, exhibitors, Regional Director and Central Office must be notified as soon as possible.

**3.05** Any club or Regional Director(s) may sponsor any type or number of rings to be held concurrently provided that a cat or kitten may not be entered in more than ten rings all to be held concurrently. When shows are held of a nature that would permit certain cats or kittens to be eligible for entry in more than ten rings, the show committee may so state on the show flyer and entry form in which shows such cats or kittens are to be entered.

**3.06** An application for a show license which designates a show hall located in a CFA region other than that to which the applying club is assigned must be submitted to the Executive Board for its determination as to whether a license will be issued. In making this determination the Executive Board will consider:

- a. Other shows scheduled in the area;
- b. Input from the Regional Director of the region affected;
- c. Any other relevant facts which may be brought to the Board's attention.

No club holding a show license shall change the location of the designated show hall without approval of the Executive Board if the substituted show hall will be located in a region other than the club's CFA region. The Executive Board may grant blanket permission, to member clubs whose secretary resides within 100 miles from any boundary separating the club's region with another, to hold shows in the adjoining region with such conditions and restrictions as the Board may attach.

**3.07** The CFA Central Office will issue a license for the following types of shows:

- a. A one day show which permits:

1. one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.
2. a one-day show format consisting of six rings with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.
3. Two six ring, one day shows in the same location (6x6) consisting of six rings held on the first day and six rings held on the second day with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry each day.

b. A two day show which permits up to ten judgments per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of six judgments per entry per day. It is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. Two day shows offer a variety of formats:

1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;
2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;
3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);
4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days.
5. The above #2, #3 and #4 described shows may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.

c. A Best of the Best ring may be added to any format show described above. Participation in the Best of the Best competition shall not be considered a violation of the provisions in rule 3.05 and paragraphs 3.07.a. and b.

d. The Central Office will also license breed/color specialty rings which limit entries to a certain breed(s)/division(s)/color(s) as either stand alone or concurrent with other Allbreed and/or Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings.

**3.08** Each Championship or Premiership show must have classes available for each breed and color in Championship or Premiership recognized for the show licensed, subject to the limitation in rule 3.07. In addition, classes may be provided for Kittens, AOVs, Veteran, Household Pets, Provisional Breeds, Miscellaneous (noncompetitive) and cats placed on exhibition.

## Article IV

### ANNOUNCING THE SHOW

**4.01** There must be a printed show ~~flyerannouncement~~ [SRC] and it must include the following:

- a. The name of the show hall, street address (or nearest cross streets if a numbered street address is un-available), city, state and postal/zip code.
- b. The names of all judges and their assignments (e.g. allbreed or specialty).
- c. The specified entry fee(s).
- d. A statement as follows: "It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before

entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry." [SRC]

- e. All claws of all entries must be clipped prior to benching.
- f. All Championship, Premiership, and *registered* Kitten entries will be scored for CFA National and Regional awards.
- g. The hours of veterinarian inspection or entry presentation to the show secretary, the hour judging will begin, and the advertised hour of closing.
- h. For shows with veterinarian inspection a statement that veterinarian inspection prior to benching will be required.
- i. Specific climate control facilities that will and will not be provided at the show hall (e.g., heat, fans, air conditioning, etc.) *must* be stated. The term "climate-controlled" or "other climate-controlled system" is NOT to be used as it is confusing and non-specific.
- j. The size of benching cages.
- k. If available, a telephone number within the show hall should be printed in the show ~~flyerannouncement~~ [SRC] and/or confirmation of entry.
- l. The CFA logo or statement that this is a CFA licensed show must appear on the first page or panel of the show ~~flyerannouncement~~ [SRC]
- m. The specific closing date and the entry limit(s).
- n. If applicable, special fee or cash-only requirements for fax or email entries, paying at the door, uncollectable checks, etc. requirement re cash payment at the door for faxed or email entries (see rule 5.21). [SRC]

**4.02** The show ~~flyerannouncement~~ [SRC] must also identify any special circumstances or unusual problems such as the following:

- a. Accurate information on handicapped accessibility, including specific limitations, e.g. lack of ramps, handicap equipped restrooms, etc.
- b. Wild animals or hybrid crosses between wild cats and domestic cats that will be on exhibition in conjunction with the show. (See rule 9.09).
- c. Smoking is not permitted where cats are benched or judged (this information must be indicated on the first page).
- d. No chairs or only rental chairs for exhibitors.
- e. If no food or drink is allowed in the benching area.
- f. If benching and/or judging areas cannot be contained so that it can be secured in the case of a "cat loose" situation.
- g. Special state regulations that require health certificates or rabies shots.

**4.03** All paid promotional and publicity material including posters, flyers, newspaper and television ads used to promote a show licensed by CFA must indicate that the show is a CFA show. Use of the CFA logo will meet this requirement in the print and visual media, a statement that says "CFA cat show" will cover the requirement for radio.

- 4.04 The show secretary must file a copy of the show flyer with the Central Office as soon as printed.
- 4.05 The show secretary must send a copy of the show flyer to the officiating judges and the Regional Director.
- 4.06 The show entry clerk shall distribute a show flyer and official CFA entry forms or facsimiles thereof to prospective exhibitors.

## Article V

### ENTERING THE SHOW

- 5.01 Any person entering a cat or kitten in a show held under the rules of CFA shall by such act agree to abide by, and this person and the entry of this person shall be subject to, these rules.
- 5.02 For the purpose of entering a show, the lessee of a cat or kitten is the same as the owner of such cat. Lessees should identify themselves as such when completing an entry form.
- 5.03 An entry must be the property of the person who is shown on the entry form as the owner. The records in the Central Office are conclusive where the ownership of the entry is concerned. If ownership is transferred between the date of entry and the date of the show, the transfer must be reported to the master clerk. It is essential that transfer of ownership papers be filed with the Central Office immediately upon transfer of ownership.
- 5.04
  - a. Any cat or kitten of sound health not less than 4 calendar months old on the opening day of the show and which has not been previously disqualified (see 5.04b) under the provisions of show rule 5.12 is eligible (subject to the exceptions herein) for exhibition at shows sanctioned by CFA and may compete for and be entitled to win, under the rules herein, any ribbon or prize offered (See rule 9.25).
  - b. 5.04.a. notwithstanding, male cats previously dis-qualified for not having two descended testicles may be altered and shown in the premiership class.
- 5.05 A neutered or spayed kitten is eligible for entry in the Kitten and Household Pet classes.
- 5.06 Any cat or kitten from a house or cattery where there has been feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis) within 21 days prior to the opening date of a show is ineligible for entry, and, should entry have been made prior to the onset of any such condition, such entry is ineligible for admission into the show room.
- 5.07 A cat or kitten with a disqualifying feature (e.g. kinked tail, crossed eyes, etc.) which has been removed or changed by any method is not eligible for entry.
- 5.08 With the exception of qualifying longhair Exotics (which may be shown in Persian classes), each cat must be entered in the breed under which it is registered and each kitten must be entered in the breed under which it is registered or eligible to be registered.
- 5.09 When an officiating judge, including a Best of the Bests judge, is the breeder of a cat or kitten, or the judge's cattery prefix/suffix is on the cat or kitten, such cat or kitten is not eligible for competition in that judge's ring.

a. This rule does not apply to shows in Hawaii or when a substitute judge officiates in a Best of the Bests com-petition.

b. This rule does not apply to shows where a trainee is performing color classes. In the event a cat bred by a trainee is presented to the ring the trainee shall request to not handle the entry, stating it is inappropriate due to prior knowledge.

c. A cat or kitten not entered in a ring because the advertised judge is the breeder may be judged by a substitute judge in that ring.

d. In the event an exhibitor shows a cat in a show where the presiding judge is the breeder of a cat or kitten, or the judge's cattery prefix/suffix is on the cat or kitten, or the cat or kitten is owned by a member of his/her immediate family which includes father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, step-children, stepparents, or in-laws, the cat will be mandatorily "x'd" out of that judge's ring.

5.10 Entries co-owned by a judge or owned by a member of the judge's household are not eligible for competition in any ring at a show at which that judge is officiating, provided that this restriction shall not apply to the judge who is judging Household Pets or Veterans only.

5.11 A cat that has been confirmed a Champion, Grand Champion, Premier or Grand Premier may be eligible for entry under a different color and/or pattern than its confirmed color and/or pattern. It may be shown as an Open in the Champion/Premier class at the show in which the owner decides to make the change. These cats may not continue to compete as the new color and/or pattern at any further shows until the Central Office has been notified of the color and/or pattern change and payment of the current fee for a corrected registration has been submitted. Points and titles earned under the previously confirmed color and/or pattern are not carried over to the new color and/or pattern and the cat must compete again as an Open in the Champion/Premier class.

5.12 A cat or kitten not having all its physical properties – eyes, ears, legs, tail, claws, both descended testicles (adult cat only) – or has had surgery which changes a cat's natural functions (e.g. tendonectomy), is not eligible for entry. The previous notwithstanding, cats missing certain physical properties, as listed below, are eligible for entry in the category (class) indicated:

- a. Altered cats in the Premiership classes;
- b. Altered cats and kittens in the Household Pet classes;
- c. Altered kittens in the Kitten classes;
- d. Kittens without descended testicles in Kitten classes;
- e. Recognized naturally tailless or naturally partially tailless breeds in Kitten, Championship or Premiership classes;
- f. Cats having had a perineal urethrostomy operation in the Premiership Classes.
- g. Household Pets in the Household Pet Class not having these physical properties - eyes, ears, legs, or tail. Household Pets may not be shown who have surgically absent claws or whose feet have undergone tendonectomy surgery.

5.13 No cat or kitten is eligible for entry if such entry will result in it competing ~~shall compete~~ [SRC] in more than 1 two-day show or 2 one-day shows (total 12 rings maximum) within three calendar days of any previous benching. If a cat/kitten is

scheduled to be judged on only one day of a two day show, it will be considered to be benched only on that day. Cats benched in violation of this rule will receive no credit for the awards/points achieved in the latter show.

**5.14** a. The show management shall determine the amount of the entry fee, which must be at least \$1.00 per ring. A club shall not refuse an entry fee(s) paid in the “coin of the realm.”

b. Clubs must maintain all fees as quoted in the show flyer and, except as otherwise provided in these Show Rules, may not charge fees to exhibitors which are not quoted in the show flyer.

**5.15** Only cats registered with CFA with either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number or request for a temporary registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing as Novices, as provided for in paragraph 1.06.a). It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.

**5.16** The temporary registration number 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) issued by 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 5.08). 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 ~~beginning of judging~~ 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, the registration number will either remain valid for 30 days from the first day of the show, or be voided if CFA registration requirements are not met for the breed being registered. Central Office will notify any exhibitor whose temporary registration number is voided with the basis for such decision. . 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 listed in the catalog as if they were permanent. Cats may compete and continue to earn points for 30 days from the first day of the first show where they have obtained a temporary registration number. That number should be used on all subsequent entries after the first show for the 30-day period or until the cat obtains a permanent registration number. At the end of this 30-day period, the cat may not be shown without a permanent registration number. *[SRC]*

**5.17** Each entry must have a name.

**5.18** It is the responsibility of the owner to enter a cat or kitten correctly under its exact registered name, registered ownership, region/area of residence, exact color/tabby pattern, and when required, registration number. (See rule 5.15) Exhibitors that request a temporary registration number will also include a pedigree (or CFA registration number of parents if allowed by rule 5.16) as specified in rule 5.16.

**5.19** It is the responsibility of the owner to enter and *[SRC]* show a cat or kitten in its correct competitive category, class and color class and correct color/pattern description.

**5.20** For each entry, the exhibitor must submit a properly completed, official CFA entry form or facsimile thereof to the entry clerk no later than the close of entries. All information required on the entry form, with the exception of the owner’s signature, must be typed or printed. For email entries, the email address may be accepted in lieu of a signature. If a club accepts prepaid entries, the accepted guideline for the entry clerks will be to accept completed entry forms before an incomplete prepaid entry. In the event the show fills prior to completion of the information for the prepaid entry, the club shall return the check/fee for the prepaid entry to the exhibitor.

**5.21** Each entry must be accompanied by the stipulated entry fee. FAX or email entries may be accepted at the discretion of the sponsoring club. If the club opts to accept FAX or e-mail entries, the club shall accept them from any exhibitor submitting such entry regardless of location of residence. All FAX or email entries must be paid in full within 10 days of receipt or prior to the start of the show, whichever is first. No entry fee may be paid by a check drawn on a CFA cat club account. Entries accompanied by such a check must be refused and returned. No entry fee will be returned because of failure to bench except as provided in Paragraph 9.01.d and rules 5.28 and 10.03.

**5.22** It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or D (see CFA’s Constitution, Articles VIII and IX for region and division boundary specifications). 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, D=International Division.

**5.23** It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure, prior to his arrival at the show, that an entry form for each of his cats/kittens entered in the show has been received by the entry clerk prior to the close of entries. Cats/kittens whose entry information is not printed in the catalog, but is included as an addendum, will not receive credit for any awards achieved at the show unless approved by the CFA Central Office (see rules 6.10 and 11.06).

**5.24** Agility Entry.  
a. Entry fees will be determined by show management.  
b. Cats may be pre-entered with the show entry clerk using the CFA feline agility competition form. If the cat is not entered in any other class, it must be pre-entered and a cage provided.  
c. Cats entered during the show by coming to the ring, must sign the sign-in sheet and fill out the entry form.

- d. All entries must be benched. The agility cat may accompany a cat entered in the regular judging and thus be considered benched.
- e. Entries may include pedigreed cats, HHP, and shelter cats.
- 5.25** Exhibitors with bona fide handicaps shall be responsible for making their special needs known to the entry clerk. Exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices can request end of row benching during judging procedures by such to the entry clerk.
- 5.26** The show committee may refuse to accept an entry received after the specified hour on the advertised date for the closing of entries, or after the advertised limit of entries has been reached.
- 5.27** It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry.
- 5.28** In the event that a previously 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 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.
- 5.29** Number of entries permissible:
- a. No club shall accept more than 450 entries to be judged by any one judge over a full two-day period. For shows where the judge will not have a ring or the entries available for more than one day, no club shall accept more than 225 entries. No allowance shall be made for absentees. All one-day Sunday shows MUST start at 9:00 a.m. or earlier if over 200 entries are entered. (Note that if separate shows are held for Non-Championship and Non-Premiership classes in order to comply with this rule, additional judging rings must be provided.)
- b. Where, after the show flyer has been printed and distributed, the sponsoring club desires to add an additional judge or judges to judge Kitten, Veteran, AOV, Provisional Breed or Household Pet classes, such a change will not be considered a violation of these rules. If an unadvertised judge is used, it is suggested that Kittens be the last classes to be dropped from the ring of the advertised judge. Such a procedure is not recommended since the CFA Board is of the opinion that judges should officiate as advertised, and the relaxation herein provided is effective because these rules limit the number of entries to be judged by any one judge. In any event, the names of the various judges under contract must be published in the show catalog.
- 5.30** The entry clerk shall be responsible for reviewing each entry form received to verify that all necessary information is included. The entry clerk is prohibited from accepting Championship (unless the entry is for a Novice), Premiership (unless the entry is for a Novice), Provisional (kittens or adults) and AOV entries (kittens or adults) whose entry form does not contain a registration number. In the case of cats requesting a temporary registration number, the entry clerk will assign the number from the list provided by Central Office contact Central Office and obtain the number [SRC] for inclusion in the show catalog and complete, if not already completed by the owner, an application for temporary registration number that will be attached to the pedigree or documentation of CFA registration numbers of parents, if allowed by rule 5.16, and associated fee payment. [SRC] The cat's pedigree (or CFA registration numbers if allowed by rule 5.16), application form, and associated registration fee must be provided no later than the start of judging for the show or the cat will be entered as a novice. If a fully completed TRN package is received by the entry clerk between entry closing and the close of check-in, the entry clerk will put the number in the Master Clerk catalog and transfer the cat out of Novice in that catalog and the judges books. It is acceptable to use the absentee/transfer form to transfer the cat in the judges books. [SRC]
- 5.31** The entry clerk should advise exhibitors attempting to supply a kitten's registration number after entry has been made, that it is the exhibitor's responsibility, upon arrival at the show, to confirm that the registration number has been printed in the catalog; and, if the registration number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide the registration number to the master clerk at the show using a catalog correction request form.
- 5.32**
- a. The show entry clerk must acknowledge receipt of all entries within 15 days of receipt. The entry confirmation must include the name of the club sponsoring the show.
- b. In confirming an entry, the entry clerk shall at least provide the full name of the entry or entries. It is preferable that the confirmation provide a complete listing of the entry as it will appear in the catalog.
- c. When the show entry limit(s) have been reached or when the entry has arrived after the closing date or when the entry is not accepted for any other reason, a note of explanation must accompany the entry being returned to the exhibitor.
- d. An entry clerk may not refuse an entry without just cause. If an entry is improperly refused a protest may be filed against the entry clerk, the club and any show official involved in the refusal. In a protest for failure or refusal to accept an entry received on time (before closing date and before the show fills) the burden of proof shall be on the accused to show that the refusal is justified.
- e. The entry confirmation, whether it be in the form of email, fax or regular mail, must be accompanied by a show flyer or link to a web-page containing the show flyer for emailed confirmations, and driving directions from nearby major highways to the show hall.
- 5.33** The show entry clerk must enter a cat or kitten in the breed and color class indicated on the entry form regardless of the cat's registration number
- 5.34** Any exhibitor that attempts to blatantly manipulate show counts for the benefit of their entry, such as by paying for other exhibitor's entries, may be considered to have acted in an unsportsmanlike manner and may be subject to discipline as specified in Article XV of the CFA Constitution. [Feb Board mtg request]

## Article VI

### PRE-SHOW DOCUMENT PREPARATION

- 6.01** The show manager must provide a schedule of judging for each ring in a form readily accessible to all exhibitors, and which shall list each Championship Breed or Division in the order that it shall be judged, from which schedule there should be no deviation with the exception of the provisions of rule 10.05.
- 6.02** The ~~show secretary~~ entry clerk [SRC] or a designated representative is responsible for preparing the judges' books, including those for judging Best of the Bests competitions, which shall be in ~~sequence~~ numerical, but not necessarily sequential by catalog ~~order numbers~~. [passed floor resolution at annual] A minimum of two (2) lines must be left between color classes. The color class number, age (indicated in years and months) and the class for each entry must appear in the judges' books. At least two (2) spaces should be left between each class (Champion and Grand Champion) to allow for transfers. Opens shall be listed as champions or premiers in the judge's book as applicable. Champions and opens competing as champions shall be listed within each color class in sequence by age, youngest to oldest. Premiers and opens competing as premiers shall be listed within each color class in sequence by age, youngest to oldest. When a color class includes entries of more than one color/tabby pattern, the exact color/tabby pattern indicated on the entry form must be entered in the judges' books. At the end of each breed, the entry clerk ~~show secretary [SRC]~~ shall type a form for the following awards: Best of Breed/Division, Second Best of Breed/Division for Kittens, Championship and Premiership, and where necessary, Best Champion/Premier of Breed/Division.
- At the end of the Veterans Class, the ~~show secretary~~ entry clerk [SRC] shall type a form for Best through Fifth Best Cat and, if applicable, Sixth through Tenth Best Cat.
- 6.03** The ~~show secretary~~ entry clerk [SRC] or designated representative is responsible for creating a computerized file in a format specified by the Central Office which contains complete information as required on the show entry form for all cats/kittens entered in the show (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet). A processing fee, as specified in the CFA's current price list, is payable by the club to CFA if a properly prepared diskette or approved format electronic file is not provided to the Central Office in conjunction with the show records used for scoring.
- 6.04** It is the entry clerk's responsibility to ensure the entries are listed in all catalogs and judges' pages in the correct order and class as appropriate to comply with rules 1.06 b, c and 6.02 regardless of the capabilities of any entry clerk software used.
- 6.05** Show catalogs must not be smaller than 51/2 x 81/2 inches.
- 6.06** The CFA logo or statement that this is a CFA licensed show must appear on the front cover of catalogs of all shows licensed by CFA.
- 6.07** An official CFA championship claim form or facsimile thereof must be printed or inserted in the show catalog.
- 6.08** Page numbering: only those catalog pages which contain cats/kittens entered in the show must be numbered.
- 6.09** The introductory page(s) must contain the following information:
- a. the full name of the club or clubs (including all specialty clubs) sponsoring the show;
  - b. the names of all officiating judges;
  - c. the names of the show committee, indicating their positions as officials of the show;
  - d. a notice that all Championship and Premiership entries and all *registered* Kittens (whose registration numbers are printed or written in ink in the catalog) will be scored for CFA National awards and Regional awards; and
  - e. emergency telephone numbers (ambulance service, police and fire).
- 6.10** All entries must appear in numerical order (but not necessarily sequential) [passed floor resolution] in the printed catalog that is required at shows held under these rules. No addendum to the catalog is permitted except as provided by rule 11.06.
- The catalog shall list entries in their correct breed, color and/or pattern and competitive category. It is recognized that occasional transfers will be necessary due to entry error or late change in status; flagrant disregard of this show rule will be subject to disciplinary action. Transfers of competitive status, from Open to Champion or Premier, Champion or Premier to Grand Champion or Grand Premier, filed in accordance with rules 26.05 and 27.06 are valid catalog changes.
- 6.11** 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, and 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class. 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. A condensed show catalog contains an entry's name, registration number, color description, entry number, birthdate, region of residence, and owner's name – the sire, dam and breeder are not included.
- 6.12** A list of exhibitors' names and addresses with entry numbers may be printed in the catalog. In the event that this cannot be done, a separate complete list of exhibitors' names and addresses with entry numbers MUST be forwarded to the Central Office. This rule does not apply to Veteran Class and Household Pet exhibitors. (See 12.08, 12.10.d.)
- 6.13** CFA titles must not appear in the catalog listing as part of an entry's name.
- 6.14** If the show standard for any breed is printed in the catalog, it must be the exact CFA standard for the breed.
- 6.15** When multiple rings are held concurrently, the catalog must be printed in the following manner:
- a. a column to record awards must be provided for each ring and be headed with the name or initials of the judge. All award columns must appear to the *right* of the entry's name;
  - b. when a cat or kitten is not eligible for entry in a particular ring, "XXX" must be printed in the column for that ring (see rule 5.09);
  - c. the entry's cage number, its name (in capital letters with no titles indicated) and spaces for its awards must appear on the same line;

d. all headings (name of breed, color class number and color class name) should be centered or printed flush left on the page;

e. the competitive class is not included in the group headings, but is noted below each catalog entry number as in the following example. The following abbreviations should be used: "MISC" for Miscellaneous; "PROV" for Provisional; "AOV" for Any Other Variety; "KIT" for Kitten; "NOV" for Novice; "OPN" for Open; "CH" for Champion; "GRC" for Grand Champion; "PR" for Premier; "GRP" for Grand Premier; "HHP" for Household Pet; "VET" for Veteran Class; "EXH" for Exhibition Only. Example:

SIAMESE  
Class 270 – Chocolate Point Male

AA BB CC DD

JAY'S JOHN BOY 0270-1698 178. \_\_\_\_ \_  
3/4/77. Jay's Johnson X CH  
Jay's Chocolate Lass.  
Br/Ow: Maggie Jones (6)

**6.16** If the entry is listed as being for sale on the entry form, this information should be entered in the catalog following the owner's name.

**6.17** Entries in the catalog should appear in the following order:  
Junior Showmanship.

Non-Championship: Kittens, AOV kittens following entries for the particular breed. Provisional Breeds separated by breed and by kitten, adults and alters. Miscellaneous breeds (non-competitive) separated by breed. The first three or four digits of an entry's registration number should be used as the Class number, unless class numbers are specified in Article XXXI.

Championship: Longhair and Shorthair. AOV entries should appear at the end of the Championship entries for the particular breed.

Premiership: Longhair and Shorthair. AOV entries should appear at the end of the Premiership entries for the particular breed.

Non-championship: Household Pets.

Non-championship: Veteran.

Exhibition only: Exhibition only cats and kittens should be numbered in the catalog.

**6.18** Championship, kitten and premiership finals awards must be printed in the catalog. Forms to record championship and premiership breed/division awards may either be printed in the catalog or made available at the master clerk's table. All forms shall conform to an approved CFA format.

**6.19** When a catalog is not included with entry and is sold separately, the judging schedule must be provided to the exhibitors at no charge.

**6.20** For KITTEN CLASSES, the letter "K" should be added to the correct breed or color class number.

For PREMIERSHIP CLASSES, the letter "P" should be added to the correct breed or color class number.

For VETERAN CLASSES, the letter "V" should be added to the correct breed or color class number.

## Article VII PRIZES, RIBBONS AND TROPHIES

**7.01** Rosettes/Awards must carry the name of the club sponsoring the ring, the CFA insignia and the award.

**7.02** On all ribbons or rosettes/awards designating prizes to be awarded in the various classes, the following words must appear: First, Second, Third, and the CFA insignia. In the case of a standard Household Pet show, the words "Household Pet Merit Award" and the CFA insignia must appear. In the case of Veterans competing in the show, the words "Veterans Merit Award" and the CFA insignia must appear.

**7.03** 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
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Color Class	Perm/ribbon/rosette White
Best of Breed/Division	Perm/ribbon/rosette Brown
2 <sup>nd</sup> 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
Veteran Merit Award	Ribbon/rosette Silver or Gray
Best, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> AB Champ	Ribbon/rosette/award Any Color
Best, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> LH Champ	Ribbon/rosette/award Any Color
Best, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> SH Champ	Ribbon/rosette/award Any Color
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> AB Premier	Ribbon/rosette/award Any Color
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> LH Premier	Ribbon/rosette/award Any Color
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> SH Premier	Ribbon/rosette/award Any Color
Best-10 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	Rosette/award Any Color
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat (if appl)	Rosette/award Any Color
Best-10 <sup>th</sup> Best Kitten	Rosette/award Any Color
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best Kitten (if appl)	Rosette/award Any Color
Best-10 <sup>th</sup> Best Premiership	Rosette/award Any Color
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best Premiership	Rosette/award Any Color
Best-5 <sup>th</sup> Best HHP	Rosette/award Any Color
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Best HHP (if appl)	Rosette/award Any Color
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best HHP (if appl)	Rosette/award Any Color
Best-5 <sup>th</sup> Best Veteran	Rosette/award Any Color
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Best Veterans (if appl)	Rosette/award Any Color

**7.04** Ribbons or rosettes/awards may be offered by CFA clubs and by non-affiliated clubs, by foreign cat associations and corporations/companies, but individuals (other than the officiating judge in their ring only) may not offer them.

**7.05** Awards made at CFA licensed shows may not be made the basis of any award other than those made by CFA, a CFA region or a CFA member club, provided that this provision shall not be construed to prevent donations of trophies or rosettes by CFA member clubs or non-affiliated clubs or foreign cat associations or other sponsors to the club sponsoring the show.

**7.06** Permanent ribbon designations must conform to the following specifications:

a. A 2-inch x 6-inch x 1/16 inch tag using a small hook for hanging, made from standard 3-ply phenolic engraving stock with color on both front and back. The CFA insignia must be engraved or affixed using black and gold-foil adhesive seals. The specific award name (as permitted in 7.03) must be engraved. Colors must be as specified in show rule 7.03.



b. A 2-inch x 8-inch x 1/16 inch tag, heated and folded at a line two inches from the top to present a face two inches by six inches, with the fold forming a clip for hanging, made from standard 2-ply phenolic engraving stock with color on front. The CFA insignia may be engraved or affixed using black and gold-foil adhesive. The specific award name (as permitted in 7.03) must be engraved. Colors must be as specified in show rule 7.03.

c. Fabric flat ribbons currently in use may be laminated between pieces of heavy (10-mil), clear plastic using a small hook for hanging. The specific award name (as permitted in 7.03) must be engraved and the CFA insignia must appear. Colors must be as specified in show rule 7.03.

The use of permanent designations must be so stated in the catalog introductory page, and does not preclude the club's responsibility to provide each judging ring with a supply of traditional fabric flat ribbons to be available to those exhibitors entitled to them and who have requested them.

## Article VIII

### PROCEDURES PRIOR TO BENCHING/CHECK-IN

**8.01** Handicapped benching requests shall be accommodated whenever possible, at no extra charge to the exhibitor.

**8.02** The show entry clerk must pass on to the show management all information received regarding benching requests for reasonable accommodation by handicapped disabled exhibitors. In addition to the benching area, exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices can also request end of row benching in judging rings.

**8.03** Show management shall assign benching cages for all entries. All entries of a particular exhibitor and those entries for which that exhibitor is the designated agent shall be benched together. No more than one agent may be named by an exhibitor for all cats entered in a show. No change of benching assignments shall be made without the permission of the show manager. Non-benched shows are not permitted. Benching must be provided on the second day of a one day Longhair/one day Shorthair show for cats and kittens who have qualified for the Best of the Bests judging.

**8.04** The show management is responsible for providing the number of judging rings and judging cages required under these rules. In the event that Household Pets or Veterans are judged by a separate judge, a ring must be provided for his use, and none of the regular officiating judges shall be required to relinquish his ring for the use of the Household Pet or Veteran judge.

**8.05** The show manager must provide suitable utensils and disinfectants for the use of the veterinarians, judges and stewards to clean and disinfect cages and judging surfaces. Deodorants cannot be used as substitutes.

**8.06** The show manager must provide a First Aid Kit which must include a box of latex and/or vinyl gloves. The show manager shall endeavor to provide an adequate industrial type First Aid Kit at the announcer's stand, or when there is no central announcer, at the master clerk's table.

Emergency numbers (ambulance service, police and fire) must be affixed to the top of the First Aid Kit.

**8.07** The show manager must provide litter sufficient for each entry.

**8.08** The show manager is responsible for all aspects of the show rings.

a. The show manager must provide illumination most closely simulating daylight (full spectrum light, color temperature 5000-K) as may be reasonably available in each judging ring sufficient to allow thorough examination of each entry.

b. Judging cages in show rings may be placed in a straight row, in a U-shape or in an L-shape.

c. All corners must be at an angle of at least 90 degrees.

d. In U-shaped rings there must be a minimum of six cages between the corners.

e. A minimum of 12 judging cages per ring is required for any ring with less than 150 cats scheduled to be judged on a single day – a minimum of 16 judging cages is required for a ring where 150 or more cats are scheduled to be judged on a single day.

f. In U-shaped rings corner cages must be positioned with a minimum of 12 inches between corners.

g. No cage may be placed so that a cat in one ring can see out the back of its cage into another cage in the ring behind it.

h. A buffer zone must be provided between judging cages and any walkway for spectators.

i. Judging cages must be provided with durable non-porous washable bottoms per unit and non-porous washable partitions between cages. Top and center dividers, when used, must be secured in a fashion that will prevent 'breaking through' to the other side. This requires tying the divider to the front wire in some manner. Plastic 'cable' ties or similar items are recommended. Binder clips, regardless of their size or strength, or the number used, are not acceptable. Partitions must be securely fastened top and bottom. Tops must be securely fastened on all sides.

A sealed, cleanable, sanitary floor/bottom for all judging cage bottoms in the judging ring shall be provided.

Cages in judging rings must be placed on tables or other solid support, which are at least as deep and wide as the cage bases. Collapsible trestles are not acceptable.

j. Judging cages must be provided with doors that swing open horizontally rather than doors that slide up and down.

k. The show manager shall be responsible for all aspects of securing the judging cages to prevent a cat from injuring itself. This includes, but is not limited to, the wiring on the front above the cage door, the top and middle of the cages, protruding nails on the cage bottom and rough metal edges on the cage's sides.

l. Tables and/or bottoms used under benching cages MUST be covered with paper or plastic.

m. Stacking of cages in the benching area or judging rings is not permitted.

n. Separate judging rings must be provided for each judge officiating on a given day except for rings used only for Non-Championship.

o. Merchandise must not be sold from judging rings.

p. Placement of booths using electrical devices such as engraving machines, drills or saws, in either the benching area or the judging area is prohibited.

- 8.09** a. At least one steward shall be engaged for each judging ring.
- b. Clerks must be engaged for each judging ring and a master clerk must be engaged to consolidate and check all of the judging records of the show.
- c. The position of master clerk must be filled by a currently licensed CFA certified clerk, master clerk or master clerk instructor in the mainland United States, Canada, Region 9, and Japan. Show management for shows in Hawaii and the International Division are strongly urged to fill the position of master clerk by as experienced a clerk as it is possible to obtain. When possible, the position of chief ring clerk should be filled by CFA licensed clerks. Judges may act as master clerks (see rule 20.09).
- d. When translators are to be provided to judges in foreign assignments, they may be ring clerks, master clerks, or other show officials. These translators are to only translate as required by the officiating judge and show committee as necessary to perform their duties. Translators are not allowed to make personal comments other than might be necessary to enhance the translation process and must never make comments regarding the judge or exhibits outside the translation activity.

**8.10** The show manager must provide each ring clerk with a set of numbered cards coinciding with the cats being shown in that ring.

**8.11** The show secretary shall provide each ring clerk with one catalog to be marked for the judge. In addition, the ring clerks and trainee clerks may wish to record a second fully marked catalog for their own usage. The show secretary shall provide a second catalog to a ring clerk or trainee if requested.

**8.12** Setup of Enclosure Specifications if Agility is offered: [SRC]

- a. The size of the enclosure shall not be smaller than 20'x20' and not larger than 32'x32'. Any combination of these that total 400 to 1024 sq. ft. is allowable.
- b. The enclosure consists of panels of fence that shall be at least 6 feet high with a slanted top (slanted inward) or a covered top. The mesh shall be strong enough to keep cats in and still be easy to look through.
- c. Portable flooring that is non-slip must be used in the ring regardless of the existing floor.
- d. The door shall be in one of the panels of the fence and shall be placed at the most convenient place for access to the ring. The latch shall open from inside and outside the enclosure.

**8.13** Setup of Obstacles if Agility is offered: [SRC]

- a. Standard course. 10 obstacles consisting of:
1. Stairs - one set 3 steps up and 3 steps down with a non-slip surface. Minimum total height is 24".
  2. Tunnels - two 4'-8' long each with a diameter of at least 12".
  3. Hurdles - four with the first bar at 4", second bar at 8", third bar at 10" and 4th bar at 12" measured from floor to top of bar.
  4. Weave Poles - three or four 18" apart.
  5. Hoops - two 12" from floor to bottom of the hoop and approximately 18" in diameter.

b. Beginner course. Same as standard course except removing hurdles.

Article IX  
BENCHING/CHECK IN

**9.01** Procedures for shows with veterinarian inspection.

- a. A copy of Article IX of these Show Rules must be given to the veterinarian for his careful review prior to his inspection of entries.
- b. The show committee is responsible for answering any questions that the veterinarian may have regarding these rules.
- c. At the club's discretion, veterinarian inspection may be required of Household Pets only.
- d. In the event that the veterinarian is unable to officiate or does not appear at the designated time for benching inspection and a substitute veterinarian cannot be engaged to perform the benching inspection, the show shall be declared a show without veterinarian inspection. Those exhibitors who so request shall be reimbursed for all entry fees for the entries present, and their entries shall be marked absent.
- e. The owner or the owner's agent of each cat considered by the veterinarian to be in good health shall be issued a card to that effect and thereby benched.
- f. The show ~~announcement~~flyer [SRC] for the show held under the provisions of this paragraph must include the following statement: "Veterinarian inspection prior to benching will be required."

**9.02** In the event of a disqualification by a veterinarian, all other entries from the same house or cattery and all cats or kittens for whom such exhibitor is agent shall be automatically disqualified and removed from the show room immediately, but shall retain, under the provisions of this Article, awards already received. In the event an agented cat or kitten is disqualified, the agent's own cat or kitten shall be disqualified.

**9.03** Any decision based on the judgment of a veterinarian acting under these rules shall not be questioned.

**9.04** Procedures for shows without veterinary inspection:

- a. Show management shall reserve the right to hold a show without the provision of veterinary inspection prior to benching.
- b. The show ~~secretary~~ entry clerk [SRC] or a designated representative shall mark all those entries that are absent, or that require transfer to another competitive category, class, or color class. The remaining cats are therefore considered benched.

**9.05** No more than two kittens or one cat may be benched in a single cage whether entered for exhibition or competition or benched for sale.

**9.06** All claws of each entry must be clipped prior to benching. Failure to do so will subject the entry to disqualification.

**9.07** No entry may be benched before being checked in by the show ~~secretary~~ entry clerk or a designated representative or prior to inspection by the designated veterinarian in a vetted show. [SRC]

**9.08** When an owner does not accompany his cat or kitten, a designated agent must be in attendance.

- 9.09** No animals other than domestic felines shall be allowed in show halls with the exception of certified assistance animals which may be allowed at the discretion of show management. The show hall is any area through which domestic cats pass, are benched or judged. If applicable, any other animals must be in a room totally separate from the show hall and not be within the sight and scent of cats entered for competition in the show.
- 9.10** No smoking is allowed in the areas where cats are benched and where judging is held.
- 9.11** No kitten under the age of 4 months shall be permitted in the show hall. Proof of age must be presented upon the request of the show manager (see rule 9.25).
- 9.12** Only cats which appear healthy, without evidence of fleas, ear mites, or any contagious or infectious illness, are eligible for admission into the show room. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to refrain from bringing an unhealthy cat or kitten into the show hall. Failure to observe this rule will be grounds for disciplinary action.
- 9.13** All cats or kittens for sale or lease must be benched in the benching area. (Note: Some clubs prefer to locate Animal Welfare exhibits including cats and kittens for adoption outside the "benching area." When this is the case, this rule is not to be misconstrued to include such Animal Welfare cats and kittens).
- 9.14** No exhibitor shall be allowed to remove cages and use the area to set up a sales booth in the benching row. Any sales activity is subject to the approval of the show management.
- 9.15** Exhibitors will be allowed to display CFA ribbons or rosettes, foreign ribbons or rosettes and unaffiliated breed club ribbons or rosettes only on/in exhibition cages. Such ribbons or rosettes not won at a current show, with the exception of CFA National or Regional Award rosettes, must be confined to the inside of the exhibit's cage. Awards won on any day at a show-format licensed according to paragraph 3.07.a.3, or any similar format on one weekend at the same location, may be displayed on the outside of the cage on any subsequent day at that location.
- 9.16** Stud service in the show room is absolutely prohibited. Any owner whose entry participates in such action is subject to disciplinary action under Article XV, Section 4 of the CFA Constitution.
- 9.17** Under no circumstances will a pregnant cat be delivered of her kittens in the show hall.
- 9.18** Nothing may be placed on top of a cage that would extend above the top of the cage height by more than 12 inches, except as allowed by show management.
- 9.19** Late arrivals: an entry arriving at the show room after the stipulated hour may be benched, at the option of the show management, after examination by the designated veterinarian, if applicable, at the expense of the exhibitor. For any ring in which its class is judged prior to its benching, it shall be marked absent and no class will be reopened.
- 9.20** The owner or agent of a late arrival is responsible for checking in with the show secretary and notifying all ring clerks once the late arrival is benched.
- 9.21** Absentees and Transfers.
- a. Before judging begins, an exhibitor is responsible for reporting to the show entry clerk or a designated representative ~~secretary~~ any of his cats or kittens that are absent, or that require transfer to another competitive category, class, or color class (including one in a different breed), or change in color/pattern description.
- b. Before judging begins on the second day of a two day show, the show entry clerk or a designated representative ~~secretary~~ will report all competitive transfers to each ring clerk who will notify the officiating judge of changes.
- 9.22** Correction of entry information:
- a. It is the exhibitor's responsibility, upon arrival at the show, to confirm that the registration number, region/area of residence, the color/tabby pattern, and other entry information as printed in the catalog is correct.
- b. Transfers of ownership must be reported to the master clerk, and a correction slip must be filled out by the new owner, or agent indicating the correct name(s) of the owner.
- c. If any of the entry information as printed in the catalog is in error, or a kitten registration number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide corrections of the information printed in error and/or the lacking kitten registration number to the master clerk or the Show Secretary or their designee (individual handling check-in), as appropriate. An official catalog correction request form must be used and the exhibitor submitting the form must obtain a copy of the catalog correction form signed by the master clerk, or designated representative, showing the correct information has been supplied for corrections of erroneous or missing entry information involving the name, registration number, birth date, ownership, region of residence of the cat, or competitive category (Novice, Open, Champion, Premier, Grand Champion, Grand Premier).. This receipt should be retained by the exhibitor in the event any question might arise at a future date regarding an entry. For erroneous information regarding sex, age, color/tabby pattern, color class, competitive category (changes to or from Grand Champion/Grand Premier only) or competitive class of the cat, the correction must be made on the absentee/transfer sheet with the Show Secretary or their designee (individual handling check-in), or, if check-in is completed, with each ring clerk prior to the cat being judged. Correction of erroneous information regarding the sire, dam, or breeder is not required. Likewise, adding the permanent registration number for an adult cat entered in Novice is not allowed. [Central Office]
- d. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to submit the completed catalog correction request form to the master clerk no later than four (4) hours prior to the published or announced closing hour on the final day of the show. The master clerk is not required to accept catalog correction requests submitted after the cutoff time specified above.
- 9.23** The show committee may permit cats or kittens, 4 months old or older, to be present for display or sale. Only cats or kittens eligible for CFA registration may be sold. No kitten under the age of 4 months shall be permitted in the show hall. This does not apply to animals being adopted from humane organizations. Proof of age must be presented upon the request of the show manager (see rule 9.25). Non-entered cats and kittens may be present in the show hall subject to such conditions as the show committee may require. (See rule 5.27)

- 9.24** Cats or kittens may not be given away at CFA shows by CFA clubs or individuals; however, cats or kittens may be placed by incorporated humane societies.
- 9.25** The show management may make such special rules specifying the time when the Household Pet or Veteran entries are required to be in the show room as may be desired, subject to the provision of paragraph 12.03.b. The show manager is responsible for requesting the immediate removal from the show hall any kittens that appear to be under four months of age, subject to the owner or persons responsible for the kittens producing for review by the show management CFA litter registration certificates which verify that the kittens are at least four months old.
- 9.26** After benching, the show ~~secretary~~ entry clerk [SRC] or a designated representative must prepare and deliver to each ring and master clerk a list of catalog numbers of entries that are absent, transferred or withdrawn. Should an entry be withdrawn, the entry will be marked absent. In addition, a list must be prepared and delivered to each ring of the catalog numbers of entries of exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices who have requested end of row benching in judging rings.

## Article X

### DURING THE SHOW - JUDGING AND AWARDS

- 10.01** Cats or kittens will not be judged with ribbons on their necks or with other identifying marks other than an optional tattoo (see rule 10.02), micro-chipping or, in the case of Household Pets, devices applied to the claws which inhibit the ability of a cat to scratch, i.e. claw covers.
- 10.02** Cats or kittens may be marked with an identifying tattoo such as the last digits of the CFA registration number or a Social Security number. The tattoo shall be placed inside the thigh or ears and not exceed 1/2 inch in height or 9 digits in length. Cats may also be identified with a subcutaneous microchip which may cause a slight bump usually in the shoulder region. A nonconforming tattoo may be considered to be an identifying mark. (See rule 10.01),
- 10.03** Should a judge become incapacitated while judging and be incapable of completing the assignment, the show management shall proceed as if the judge had not appeared (see rule 5.28), but awards made prior to that time shall stand. Once having left the ring in favor of the substitute judge, the advertised judge shall not return to that ring. If it is impractical for the club to bring in a substitute judge who is qualified to officiate under these rules, judging in the ring of the incapacitated judge shall cease. A judge who is exhibiting at the show is deemed "not qualified" since such a judge would be in violation of show rules if he/she were to officiate (see 20.01, 20.02, and 20.05). Awards made prior to that time shall stand and the club will refund exhibitors by dividing the entry fee in half and then dividing the resulting dividend by the number of judgments scheduled for that show. This final number is the refund.

In the event a judge is incapacitated while judging but is able to proceed if suitable assistance is provided, the clerk for that judge's ring, a master clerk or a member of the show committee may assist the judge in handling. A judge's assignment begins when he/she leaves his/her home or place of work for the assignment.

In the event a judge is incapacitated prior to his/her judging assignment, suitable assistance will not be provided the judge. The judge shall cancel his/her contract. Questions of physical incapacity shall be resolved by a written physician's statement to the show manager or to the CFA Board of Directors, if requested. Judges returning to the ring following surgery or severe illness requiring hospitalization are required to present a letter/form of medical clearance, signed by a physician, to the Judging Program Chair prior to resuming their duties.

A judge is not considered incapacitated in the event he/she is unable to officiate at a show due to travel related problems, e.g. flight delays/cancellations, inclement weather, personal reasons, etc.

- 10.04** It is the responsibility of the show manager that the judging begins at the advertised hour.
- All one-day Sunday shows and the Sunday portion of a back-to-back show MUST start at 9:00 a.m. or earlier if over 200 entries are entered (see 5.29.a).
- 10.05** The order of judging may be changed ONLY at the discretion of the show manager in an emergency. Every possible effort should be made to adhere to the published show schedule.
- 10.06** The show manager should insofar as possible notify each clerk of any entries removed from the show room prior to the start of the finals in his ring.
- 10.07** An entry must be present and available for judging when the time for judging each entry is reached. An entry not so presented or available will be marked absent and the class will be judged as if such an entry had not been benched. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor or the exhibitor's agent to see that the cat or kitten is presented for judging when the entry number is called the first time. **Only one call to the judging ring is required.**
- 10.08** Exhibitors must not make any comments on exhibits within the judge's hearing or challenge the judge's decision. Any decision based on the judgment of a judge acting under these rules is final.
- 10.09** Exhibitors *must not* solicit the opinion of non-officiating judges at any show.
- 10.10** Judges are not required to discuss entries with exhibitors.
- 10.11** The chief ring clerk of each ring shall function as the executive assistant of the officiating judge.
- The chief ring clerk of each ring shall supervise the ring stewards.
- The chief ring clerk shall bench entries of exhibitors using mobility-assisting devices in end of row cages, when requested by such exhibitors. Should the exhibitors have multiple entries in the same color class, division or breed, the entries shall be benched as close to the end in judging rings as possible.
- Adult whole males or neuters, including Household Pets, must not be placed in adjoining cages at any time. For the purposes of this rule, two corner cages at a 90 degree or greater angle to each other are considered to be adjoining cages. When benching cats or kittens in the judging ring, clerks will, where possible, attempt to accommodate reasonable requests made by exhibitors.
- 10.12** Females may be placed in cages between males in any class at the option of the officiating judge, who shall have the sole

responsibility for determining in each class whether this shall be done.

**10.13** Where a public address system is used, all numbers of all cats and kittens to be carried to each judging ring shall be announced over the system. This includes cats and kittens needed for finals. Only an entry's number with its breed/division and/or competitive category description may be used to call an entry to the judging ring. Only one call is mandatory. Second and third calls are given as a courtesy.

**10.14** No one shall remove the cat's number or award from the judging cage until the entry has been removed from the judging cage. If a final is immediately following the class judging due to the small number of entries, then with the judge's permission, the ring clerk may remove the awards after verifying that they have all been recorded.

**10.15** After the advertised show hours and completion of judging in any competitive class (i.e., Kitten, Championship, Premiership, Veteran, and HHP) has been reached, finals numbers must be posted when the judge, out of courtesy, is waiting until the completion of other finals to proceed.

**10.16** The judge is in complete charge of his ring. He will make every effort to adhere strictly to the published show schedule. Judges are not encouraged to judge classes in advance of the schedule and must not do so except in an emergency as provided in rule 10.05, with public announcement of any change made to the exhibitors well in advance.

Class judging takes priority over finals except in cases of an emergency, i.e. a judge is put in a position of missing their plane, and needs cats from another ring(s) to complete their finals. In this case the show manager is to be notified by the judge requesting a change in schedule (see show rule 10.05) so this can be arranged. It will be expected that the judge doing their finals in this situation will do so in a timely manner so not to hold up class judging unduly in the other ring(s).

**10.17** No one other than officials connected with the management of the show will be admitted to the judging ring except when the clerk asks, upon the request of the judge, that the owner or his agent hold an entry.

**10.18** No one other than the officiating judge, a trainee or as shown in rule 10.17, the owner or his agent, may handle an entry in the judging ring, except as provided for in rule 10.03.

**10.19** Handling.

a. A judge must handle each cat or kitten in its respective class.

b. All cats and kittens must be judged in the judging ring.

c. A cat or kitten behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner must be disqualified and dismissed from the ring forthwith by the officiating judge and shall not thereafter be recalled to that ring.

d. The decision of the judge whether or not a cat is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner is final and shall not be questioned.

e. In the event that a judge is incapacitated but is able to proceed if suitable assistance is provided, the clerk for that judge's ring, a master clerk, or a member of the show committee may assist the judge in handling.

f. A judge may not handle more than one exhibit at a time.

g. During finals a judge may have in his or her ring only those cats or kittens who are being awarded a final win as listed in rule 10.30. (Exceptions: a Best of the Best final and special awards given in the Household Pet Class.)

h. All cats called to a judge's ring for finals must be provided with a cage.

Note: judges are instructed that it is the policy of CFA not to take excessive risks or to delay unduly the orderly progression of the show in an effort to handle a cat or kitten that is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner.

**10.20** Questions about the age of a cat or kitten, or its eligibility to compete in accordance with these rules must be referred to the show committee, which shall investigate the matter. In such cases the class must be judged as though the doubtful exhibit is eligible and one additional award allotted so that the regular list of awards may be made if the doubtful exhibit is disqualified. This rule shall not apply to questions regarding illness, nor to matters within a judge's discretion, such as color class, condition or merit.

**10.21** Transfers. A judge may, with the consent of the exhibitor, transfer to another color class any Kitten, Championship or Premiership entry wrongly entered, provided that the correct color class has not yet been judged. If a cat is being judged as a color different from the one it was entered, the judge shall indicate the "judged as" color in the judges' book.

A judge may transfer, with the consent of the exhibitor, to AOV any Kitten or Champion entry that, in his opinion, does not conform to the accepted show standard for its breed as described in show rule 1.17.c. A transfer from one breed to another breed is not permitted unless requested by the exhibitor through the absentee/transfer sheet or directly to the ring clerk (see rules 5.08 and 9.21). [*Sept. Board mtg request*]

**10.22** Wrong Color. A judge shall mark the entry "WC" when, in his/her opinion, an entry has been entered as the wrong color and:

a. the color class for the correct color has already been judged, or;

b. the color class for the correct color has not yet been judged but the owner refuses permission to transfer.

**10.23** Withholding of awards by the judge: a judge must withhold all awards when in his opinion ANY entry lacks sufficient merit or is, apparently, obviously pregnant, suffering from emaciation, malnutrition or showing evidence of neglect.

When awards are withheld from an entry for the above reasons, the judge shall record on the judging color class sheet one or more of the following reasons:

a. No Award - Insufficient Merit" (NA/IM), which shall include overall lack of quality, deviation from the standard, congenital or acquired defects, or;

The Central Office shall record the NA-IM judge opinions on each cat. When three judges have recorded "NA-IM" for any cat deemed to possess overall lack of quality, deviation from the standard, congenital or acquired defects (as stated in paragraph 10.23.a above), the cat shall never be eligible for entry at any CFA show, or;

b. No Award - Condition" (NA/Cond.), which shall include obvious pregnancy, malnutrition, evidence of neglect or any

lack of quality that is deemed by the judge to be of a temporary nature.

**10.24** Disqualified by the judge.

a. The excessive use of white powder, or chalk, or the use of any colored powder, colored chalk, tints, color rinses or other artificial coloring or concealment media on a cat or kitten entered in a CFA show is strictly forbidden. The plucking of buttons or lockets; the use of any device, substance or chemical; e.g. tranquilizer, hormone, anti-histamine, that will alter the natural actions or appearance of a cat or kitten, is forbidden. Evidence of such, as determined by the personal opinion of the judge, will result in the immediate disqualification of the entry.

b. A judge must disqualify any cat or kitten for a defect listed in the "Disqualify" section of the show standards for a particular breed or color.

c. A judge must disqualify any cat or kitten that bites, cannot be judged in the judging ring, or that is, in his judgment, behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner. This rule does not apply to cats after the completion of judging of color classes. (See paragraphs 10.19.c and 10.19.d)

d. A judge will disqualify any entry entered contrary to these rules, including declawed cats or kittens and adult, whole males that do not have two descended testicles, if such entry has not theretofore been disqualified.

e. When an adult male is disqualified for not having two descended testicles, the judge shall record on the judging color class sheet "DISQ-UT" [undescended testicle(s)]. If the entry is disqualified for any other reason, the judge shall record on the judging color class sheet "DISQ." (disqualified).

f. The Central Office shall record the "DISQ-UT" judges' opinion in an appropriate manner. When three judges have disqualified any adult male cat for lack of having descended testicles, the cat shall never again be eligible for entry at any CFA show except that said cat may be entered and shown in Premiership. (It is highly recommended that any such cat be examined by a veterinarian and surgical procedures as required for neutering be undergone.)

**10.25** The chief ring clerk is responsible for notifying ALL chief ring clerks when the judge in his/her ring disqualifies any cat or kitten that bites or that, in the judge's judgment, is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner.

**10.26** Voiding of Wins by the judge.

a. A judge must void any win, including any win in the finals, when in his opinion there is no entry with sufficient merit to receive it.

b. When an entry has been removed from the show hall and is not available for the finals, it is ineligible for a finals award. The judge must take one of the following actions:

1. The judge will void the win and leave the position open. The judge should announce that had the absent cat been present, it would have received the appropriate award; or,

2. The judge will void the win, move all lesser placing finalists up one position and select a substitute cat, which is mechanically eligible exclusive of the absent cat, for the last position (tenth, fifth or third, whichever is applicable). The judge should announce that had the absent cat been present, it would have received the appropriate award. The

judge's finals sheet will show which cat's win was voided and which cat substituted.

In no case will a judge hang an award on an empty cage.  
[Board Meeting Minutes]

**10.27** Clubs that wish to honor a specific breed at their show may ask the judges to hang up to three breed/division awards beyond those that are currently scored by Central Office, that is, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Best of Breed or Division. These additional awards will not be scored by Central Office toward any regional or national awards. Clubs do not have to ask permission from the CFA Board to ask judges to hang up to three additional non-scored breed/division awards.

**10.28** In Allbreed rings the Championship finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 115, for Championship entries of 115 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion, Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Longhair Champion, and Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Shorthair Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10<sup>th</sup> Best Cat when cat entries are less than 60, for Premiership entries of 60 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier, Best and 2nd Best Longhair Premier, Best and 2nd Best Shorthair Premier.

Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5<sup>th</sup> Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.

**10.29** a. In Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings the Championship finals will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 115, for Championship entries of 115 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 60, for Premiership entries of 60 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier.

Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5<sup>th</sup> Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.

b. In Breed/Division specialty rings the Championship finals will be Best through 10th Best Cat, Best and 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Champion; the Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten; the Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat, Best and 2nd Best Premier.

Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5<sup>th</sup> Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.

For the purpose of determining the counts listed in a. and b., AOV, Novice, Provisional, Miscellaneous and Veteran class entries will not be counted.

**10.30** The following awards will be made by the judge subject to the provisions of rule 10.26.

LH or SH Best of Color/Breed				
a. CHAMPIONSHIP WINS	Allbreed	Specialty	the Bests	Specialty
Best-5 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat		X	X	X
				X

6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X	X	X
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X*	X*	X*
Best, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> ** Champion	X	X	X
Best, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> ** LH Champion	X		
Best, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> ** SH Champion	X		
Best of Division	X	X	1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Division	X	X	2
Best of Breed**	X	X	1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Breed**	X	X	2
Best of Breed/Division Champion	X	X	3
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Color Class	X	X	X
First-Third	X	X	X
AOV	4	4	4
Provisional Breed	5	5	5
Miscellaneous Breed	6	6	6

LH or SH Best of Color/Breed

**b. PREMIERSHIP WINS** Allbreed Specialty the Bests Specialty

Best-5 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X	X	X	X
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X	X		X
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X*	X*		X*
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Best Premier	X	X		X
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Best LH Premier	X			
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Best SH Premier	X			
Best of Division	X	X		1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Division	X	X		2
Best of Breed**	X	X		1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Breed**	X	X		2
Best of Breed/Division Premier	X	X		3
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Color Class	X	X		X
First-Third	X	X		X
AOV	4	4		4
Provisional Breed	5	5		5
Miscellaneous Breed	6	6		6

LH or SH Best of Color/Breed

**c. KITTEN WINS** Allbreed Specialty the Bests Specialty

Best-5 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X	X	X	X
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X	X		X
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X*	X*		X*
Best of Division	X	X		1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Division	X	X		2
Best of Breed**	X	X		1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Breed**	X	X		2
Best & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Best of Color Class	X	X		X
First-Third	X	X		X
AOV	4	4		4
Provisional Breed	5	5		5
Miscellaneous Breed	6	6		6

LH or SH Best of Color/Breed

**d. VETERAN WINS** Allbreed Specialty the Bests Specialty

Best-5 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X	X	X	X
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Best Cat	X*	X*	X*	X*

\*Where applicable

\*\*For breeds not divided into Divisions.

\*\*\*No 3<sup>rd</sup> Best Champion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Best LH Champion or 3<sup>rd</sup> Best SH Champion awards in Color/Breed Specialty rings.

**NOTES:**

- 1) Same as Best Cat.
- 2) Same as 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Cat.
- 3) Same as Best Champion or Best Premier.
- 4) AOVs compete only within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Best of Color Class, One Color Class per category (i.e., K, C or P), per breed.
- 5) Provisional Breeds complete only within their breed for First, Second, Third (separately by sex), Best of Color Class, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Best of Color Class, One Color Class per category (i.e., K, C or P), per breed.
- 6) Cats entered in the Miscellaneous (non-competitive) Class shall receive no awards.

**10.31 VETERAN CLASS**

Awards made in the Veteran Class shall be as follows:

Those individual entries deemed worthy shall receive a Veteran's Merit Award ribbon.

The awards for Veteran Class shall be Best, Second Best, Third Best, Fourth Best, Fifth Best and, if applicable, Sixth through Tenth Best Cat.

If two or more Veteran Rings are held concurrently, a Veteran Best of the Bests competition may be held.

Allbreed judges and double specialty judges may judge Veteran classes as either allbreed or specialty rings. Single specialty judges MUST judge these classes as specialties, and only for the specialty for which they are licensed.

**10.32 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, which shall be red and white.

There shall be no distinction between Longhair and Shorthair entries in any Household Pet Show.

There shall be no distinction between Adult Neuters, Adult Spays and Kittens.

The awards for Household Pet Finals shall be Best, Second Best, Third Best, Fourth Best, Fifth Best, and, if desired, Sixth through Tenth Best Cat and, if 45 or more are entered, Eleventh through Fifteenth Best Cat.

When two or more Household Pet rings are held concurrently, a Household Pet Best of the Bests competition may be held.

**ALTERNATE HOUSEHOLD PET FORMAT**

Stand Alone Household Pets shows may have such classes as show management specifies with the requirement that such classes must not detract from the beauty and dignity nor endanger the health of the exhibit. Judges must be advised of the proposed show format at the time of invitation. The Stand Alone Household Pet judge, who is not judging a Championship ring, must be provided with a separate ring; however, a single specialty judge may judge a single specialty on one day and a Stand Alone Household Pet show on the other day.

**10.33** The only cats or kittens eligible for the Best of the Bests competition shall be those cats or kittens that have received an award of Best, Second Best or Third Best cat (Championship or Premiership) or Best, Second Best or Third Best Kitten, where eight or fewer finals contribute to the Best of the Best. (Top two cats or kittens when nine or more finals contribute to the Best of the Bests.) The judge for the Best of the Bests competition (except Household Pets) must be an Approved Allbreed judge who has not judged any of the concurrent rings. The judge will select the five (5) Best Cats (Championship and Premiership) and five (5) Best Kittens. Participation in the Best of the Bests competition shall not be considered a violation of the provision in rule 3.05.

A cat or kitten bred by the Best of the Bests judge is not eligible for competition in the Best of the Bests judging except in Hawaii or when the Best of the Bests judge is a substitute judge.

- 10.34** The judge shall make no cup list or trophy list awards not provided in these rules.
- 10.35** No award shall be offered for which the officiating judge must make a decision in addition to those required for official CFA awards.
- 10.36** Prizes specified in the show flyer must be given.
- 10.37** In order to benefit the welfare of all cats, CFA clubs are encouraged to consider the possibility of giving award certificates representing a contribution by the club to the Winn Foundation or other research or humane organizations at their shows in lieu of other prizes or trophies.
- 10.38** Any decision based on the judgment of a judge acting under these rules shall not be questioned.

## Article XI

### SHOW RECORDKEEPING

- 11.01** All judges' color class sheets must be signed by the judge. All judges shall mark the Best and Second Best of Breed or Division as well as Best Champion of Breed or Division and Best Premier of Breed or Division on the judges' color class sheets, if the judge determines these awards at the completion of judging the breed or division. If the breed or division wins are not awarded at the completion of the breed or division, the judge's sheet will be submitted to the master clerk without the wins marked. All judges must initial all error corrections. All judges' finals sheets must be completed, including the titles for cats receiving finals awards in the Championship and Premiership classes, and signed by the judge at the completion of finals. Judges' color class sheets and finals sheets must be checked and initialed by the chief ring clerk. The official CFA (white) copies of the judges' color class sheets must be checked and initialed by the chief ring clerk and the master clerk. The judges' finals sheets must be checked and signed by the master clerk. The master clerk must immediately post the sheets in a manner readily accessible to all exhibitors. Awards as posted are final and may not be changed except as provided by show rule 11.15.
- 11.02** A judge shall mark a "dash" (i.e. "--") in the awards column on their color class sheets for any cat judged that does not receive a 1, 2, or 3, except where disqualification or withhold is given by the judge. The judge will also mark a dash for cats handled in the Miscellaneous class. For cats judged in Household Pet competition, the judge shall mark an "M" for merit for all cats handled and not disqualified. For cats judged in veterans competition, the judge shall mark a "V" for all cats handled and not disqualified. [Kallmeyer]
- 11.03** The first complete set of signed judge's color class sheets and finals sheets must be given by the judge to the master chief ring clerk at the completion of judging, who will review for accuracy and forward to the Master Clerk. [SRC]
- 11.04** The second complete set of signed judge's color class sheets and finals sheets and the judge's copy of the marked catalog must be retained by the judge for at least ninety (90) days.
- 11.05** In all cases where an Apprentice or Approval Pending judge is used, or when a Trainee is judging Household Pets, a questionnaire supplied by the Chairman of the Judging Program *must* be filled out and signed by a majority of the show committee and forwarded to the Chairman of the Judging Program within 30 days of the close of the show.
- 11.06** Should the show manager permit a cat/kitten whose entry information is not printed in the catalog to compete, the show manager shall provide a written statement of explanation, for the review of the CFA Central Office, which shall determine if the entry was eligible for competition. The show manager's statement and all documents pertaining to his/her decision must be submitted with the show package to the Central Office. Entries deemed not eligible by the Central Office will not receive credit for any award(s) achieved at the show (see rule 6.10).  
  
The show manager must prepare an addendum to include all information for any entry not included in the show catalog, which is to be posted with the master clerk and included with the official show records submitted to the Central Office. A fee, as specified in the CFA's current price list, per addendum will be charged to the club/entry clerk/show service and must be submitted with the show packet. Payment of the non-refundable fee does not guarantee acceptance of an addendum by the Central Office.
- 11.07** The chief ring clerk shall mark a catalog as the ribbons and rosettes are placed on the cages, indicating 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Best/Second Best of Color Class, Best/Second Best of Breed/Division, Best Champion/Best Premier of Breed/Division, Merit Awards for HHP (mark M in judge's book/catalog) and Veterans (mark V in judge's book/catalog) and all Finals awards. All absentees and transfers including competitive transfers after the first day of a two day show must be clearly marked. The chief ring clerk must NEVER mark his catalog using the judge's color class sheets.
- 11.08** The chief ring clerk shall provide a fully marked catalog to the judge for his ring at the close of the show.
- 11.09** When a cat is judged but receives less than third place in a class, the chief ring clerk shall clearly mark in the judge's copy of the catalog a dash (—) in the area where an award would have been placed. This indicates the cat was handled and judged but received less than third in its class.
- 11.10** When an award is withheld by the officiating judge under the provisions of show rules 10.22, 10.23, and 10.24, the chief ring clerk shall clearly mark in the judge's copy of the ring catalog the reason: i.e., "Wrong Color" (WC), "No Award-Condition" (NA/Cond.), "No Award-Insufficient Merit" (NA/ IM), "Disqualify-Undescended Testicle(s)" (DISQ-UT) or "Disqualify-All Other Reasons" (DISQ).
- 11.11**
- The chief ring clerk shall check the judge's color class sheets against the marked catalog and shall advise the judge as soon as prudently practical of any discrepancies.
  - The chief ring clerk shall check and initial the official (white) copy of the judge's color class sheets as each sheet is completed. This copy shall then be turned over to the master clerk.
  - If a judge defers hanging of Divisional/Breed awards for a later time, the color class sheets, showing only those awards which were made, must be checked for accuracy, initialed by the chief ring clerk and forwarded promptly to the master clerk.
  - The chief ring clerk shall check and initial all three copies of the judge's finals sheet before delivering them to the master clerk.
  - The chief ring clerk shall verify titles (NOV, CH, GC, PR, or GP) which the judge has entered on the finals sheets for cats



receiving finals awards in the Championship and Premiership classes prior to submitting the sheets to the master clerk.

**11.12** The master clerk shall sign the cover of the official CFA catalog or show information sheet and note his current clerking status, his address and telephone number.

**11.13** a. The master clerk is authorized to make corrections in the official catalog to entry information that is printed in error and/or to add registration numbers for kittens where not printed in the catalog (see rule 9.22). When such a correction is made, the official entry form and the original copy of the catalog correction request form must be sent to the Central Office with the official catalog. Submitting the entry form to Central Office is not required if the catalog correction involves only the addition of a missing kitten registration number or the transfer of a cat from open, champion, or premier to champion, premier, grand champion, or grand premier. In these cases only the original correction form need be submitted to Central Office.

b. The master clerk shall print the corrections and added registration numbers for kittens legibly in red ink in the fully marked catalogs to be submitted to the Central Office and the club, either the official show catalog or the NCR condensed show catalog. When an NCR condensed catalog is used for scoring the show, the master clerk shall make all corrections and registration number additions to the NCR condensed catalog only, and shall not mark any corrections in the blank copy of the official show catalog to be sent to the Central Office.

**11.14** The master clerk shall consolidate all judging records into a master catalog. He shall check for completeness and mechanical correctness. Discrepancies shall be reported to the appropriate chief ring clerk for resolution with the judge.

**11.15** The master clerk is responsible for initialing and posting the official (white) copies of the color class sheets that have been fully checked. The sheets should be posted in a manner readily accessible to all exhibitors. Once the master clerk has completed checking the color class sheets and has initialed the sheets, the awards can only be changed as follows: If a mechanical error is discovered after the master clerk has initialed the sheets, the error may be corrected by the judge. The judge's written confirmation of the correction must be provided with the show records. The only other method of changing the awards after they have been posted is by action of the CFA board.\*

\*If a mechanical error is discovered after the close of the show, the Central Office will void the affected win(s).

The proceeding notwithstanding, a mechanical error not discovered until after the master clerk has initialed the sheets may be corrected by the judge. A judge's written confirmation of the correction must be provided with the show records.

**11.16** The master clerk is responsible for the safekeeping of the completed official CFA copies of the judges' color class sheets until such copies have been released to the show secretary for transmittal to the Central Office.

**11.17** The master clerk is responsible for counting the number of cats and kittens present and competing in the Kitten, Championship, ~~and Veterans, Household Pet, and~~ Premiership Classes, as well as the number of Champions and Premiers present and competing. He shall have these numbers available for the exhibitors. [SRC]

**11.18** The master clerk will check each judge's finals sheet for mechanical accuracy and sign all three copies before the judge leaves the show hall. The judge's copy of his/her finals sheets should be returned to the judge as promptly as possible, but in any event before the judge leaves the show hall.

**11.19** The master clerk will accept completed official championship/premiership claim forms. In addition, the master clerk will also accept correction slips that transfer a cat from Open, Champion or Premier to Grand in either the Championship or Premiership classes from the owner/agent. The master clerk will provide the show secretary with a list of the catalog numbers of these transfers.

The master clerk will prepare Championship and Premiership confirmation forms by securely stapling or clipping checks to the claim form. The master clerk is not required to accept cash payment for the confirmation fee.

All confirmations and transfers must be submitted to the Central Office with the show records.

## Article XII

### SHOW COMPLETION/CAT REMOVAL/LATE FEE COLLECTION

**12.01** Kittens may be removed from the show room at the completion of the kitten judging.

**12.02** Veterans may be removed from the show room at the completion of Veterans class judging.

**12.03** All benched entries with the exception of kittens, Veterans and Household Pets, must remain in the show hall until the advertised closing hour. Failure to be present may cause all awards won in that show by that entry to be voided with the following exceptions:

a. Any entry absent from rings judged after the advertised closing time of the final day of the show shall retain awards previously won but shall not be eligible for any awards made after their removal provided the show manager is noticed of the entry's absence.

b. Household Pets may be removed at an earlier hour than the closing of the show as determined by the show manager.

**12.04** The show manager is responsible for making arrangements with exhibitors for removal of cats and kittens as provided in rules 12.01, 12.02, 33.03, and 33.05.

**12.05** The show manager *must not* permit caging to be dis-mantled until all judging has been completed, including the finals.

**12.06** Upon completion of the show, the master clerk shall assemble, arrange, group and verify the completeness of all show records he is responsible for turning over to the show secretary pursuant to rules 11.16, 11.18, 11.19 and 12.07. The master clerk shall separate multi-part forms and arrange the copies of the master catalogs and forms according to the prescribed distributions into the sets to be sent to the Central Office, to be retained by the show secretary as the club's record, and the master clerk's own set. The assembled and checked sets shall be enclosed in envelopes or otherwise bound and labeled to identify the destination of each set, i.e., "Central Office Copy" and "Club Copy," when turned over to the show secretary. Records sent to Central Office will include the pedigrees (or CFA registration numbers of parents if allowed by rule 5.16)

submitted for all cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application forms, and the associated fees, stapled together for each associated cat. The master clerk's responsibilities for the show terminate when the assembled sets of show records are turned over to the show secretary.

**12.07** The master clerk shall provide the show secretary with two (2) fully marked catalogs, including all rings, at the close of the show. A marked catalog may consist of either an official show catalog or a condensed show catalog that has been marked. Multi-copy (NCR) paper and forms are available from the Central Office for use in producing multi-copy catalogs. No other forms may be used to produce the color class portion of a marked catalog. One catalog, the official CFA catalog, is to be mailed to the Central Office by the show secretary in accordance with rule 12.10. If an "NCR" catalog is used, a blank, official show catalog must also be sent to the Central Office.

The second catalog is to be retained by the club for appropriate use and file.

~~**12.08** The show secretary must send a copy of the catalog exhibitor list with complete addresses to the regional director or his/her designee within one week after the close of the show. *[SRC would like to know if RDs still want this, or if it should be deleted and the rest of the numbers moved up one. Not sure clubs are complying with this rule]*~~

**12.09** The show secretary must retain in club records for one year the original entry forms with the exception of official entry forms sent to the Central Office for verification of a correction made by the master clerk because of a typographical error (see rule 11.13). The Central Office may request that a form(s) be submitted as verification of a valid entry.

**12.10** The show secretary MUST send the following to the Central Office by EXPRESS MAIL (Not Priority Mail, which is not an overnight service), Next Day Service, UPS OVERNIGHT, FEDERAL EXPRESS or an equivalent overnight service, on the first (1st) business day after the close of the show. This must arrive at the delivering service prior to the time such service requires for delivery to arrive at CFA Central Office the next day (the second [2nd] business day after the close of the show). Central Office may impose upon the club a fine, as listed in the CFA's current price list, for the untimely receipt of show packages. *[Central Office Request]*

a. one catalog completely marked for all rings and signed by the master clerk. If an "NCR" catalog (see 12.07) has been marked, also a blank, official show catalog;

b. a complete set of judges' color class sheets and finals sheets for each ring;

c. a copy of the transfer and absentee list including competitive transfers after the first day of a two day show;

d. a complete list of exhibitors' names and addresses and entry numbers if not included in the catalog. This does not apply to Veteran Class and Household Pet exhibitors;

e. the original copies of the catalog correction request forms submitted to the master clerk;

f. those official entry forms (or printed copies of an email entry and the sender's email address information) that relate to verifications of catalog corrections made by the master clerk according to rule 11.13;

g. official championship/premiership claim forms, if any, filled out and submitted to the master clerk at the show with the appropriate fee;

h. the electronic show information (in an electronic format acceptable by the Central Office) containing show entry information (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet), unless the file has been sent directly to Central Office by the Show Entry Clerk or Show Secretary. A processing fee, as specified in the CFA's current price list, is payable by the club to CFA if a properly prepared diskette or approved format electronic file is not provided to the Central Office in conjunction with the show records used for scoring;

i. show information sheet;

j. completed "Unofficial Count" form; and

k. the show entry surcharge fee of \$2.00 per catalog entry (including HHP). Shows held in the International Division, Canada and Hawaii will include a show entry surcharge fee of \$1.00 per catalog entry (including HHP).

l. For those cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application form, associated pedigree (or CFA registration number of parents if allowed by rule 5.16), and appropriate fees submitted for said cats.

**12.11** If the club sponsoring a show finds, after the opening of a show, that an exhibitor's check for fees is not collectible, or the fee for a faxed or emailed entry is not paid, the following actions shall be taken.

**a.** The club will notify both the exhibitor and CFA Central Office by certified, return receipt mail that if the monies for the fees plus the bank penalty charges, if payment was made by an uncollectible check, and postage in an amount sufficient to cover the four mailings required by CFA Show Rules 12.11a-c, are not received within thirty (30) days after notification, that all wins for that show weekend, if applicable, for the exhibitor's cat(s) will be rescinded. The club must send the initial notification within sixty (60) days of the opening date of the show. Notification must provide the names, registration numbers and entry numbers of all cats entered by the exhibitor and whether payment by money order or certified bank funds is required. The club may elect to notify CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the notification within the sixty (60) days.

**b.** If the club receives the fees plus any applicable bank penalties and postage within the 30 day period, the club will immediately notify the exhibitor and CFA Central Office that the exhibitor is now in good standing and no action shall be taken.

**c.** If the full payment (as prescribed in section 1) is not received within the 30 day period, the club will notify the exhibitor and CFA Central Office of that fact within seven (7) days by certified, return receipt mail. The club may elect to notify CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the notification within 7 days after the thirty (30) days is up. CFA Central Office will then rescind all wins earned by the exhibitor's cat(s) for that show weekend and suspend all CFA services and inform the exhibitor by certified, return receipt mail. A processing fee shall be payable to CFA by the exhibitor. The amount of the processing fee is listed in the CFA's current price list. All CFA services will be suspended to

the exhibitor until the processing fee and the debt to the club are paid. Once points are rescinded they will not be reinstated if the exhibitor ultimately pays the outstanding fees.

**d.** CFA Central Office requires a photocopy of the certified post office receipt for all certified letters sent to the exhibitor in accordance with this rule. The club may send the photocopy to CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the photocopy within the appropriate time period.

**e.** All cats entered by the exhibitor, whether owned by the exhibitor or some other person(s) are affected by this rule.

The official count and the wins earned by other cats in the show will not be affected by the above actions.

### Article XIII

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF EXHIBITORS

- 13.01** Scoring Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a CFA registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.
- 13.02** Any person entering a cat or kitten in a show held under the rules of CFA shall by such act agree to abide by, and this person and the entry of this person shall be subject to these rules.
- 13.03** Exhibitors must transport cats into and out of the show hall in an enclosed, secured carrier.
- 13.04** Any person offering a cat(s)/kitten(s) for sale must ensure an enclosed, secured carrier is being used for the transport of the cat being sold.
- 13.05** No exhibitor may leave cats or kittens in the show hall overnight.
- 13.06** An exhibitor may not spray any disinfectant, deodorizer, or other liquid in a judging cage without permission of the ring clerk and judge.
- 13.07** Use of noise-producing devices by exhibitors, such as a hair dryer or vacuum cleaner, in the benching area is prohibited.
- 13.08** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of exhibitors can be found in the following rules: Prologue, Article V, 9.02, 9.05-22, 9.24-25, 10.01-03, 10.07-09, 10.17-18, 10.38, 12.01-05, 12.11, 25.01, 26.05, 27.04-05, 28.01, Articles XXXIX to XXXII, 33.01-10, 35.2 and 35.03 [SRC]

### Article XIV

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW ENTRY CLERK

- 14.01** Responsibilities of the show entry clerk can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 4.06, 5.16, 5.30-33, 6.02-20, 8.02, 9.04, 9.07, 9.10, 9.21, and 9.26. [SRC]

### Article XV

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW MANAGEMENT/PRODUCING ORGANIZATION

- 15.01** The show management must select a show committee consisting of a show manager, a show secretary, a show entry clerk, and at least two (2) other persons who must be thoroughly familiar with these rules and show procedures. If the show secretary and show entry clerk are the same person, three (3) other persons must be selected to the show committee.

The position of entry clerk must not be a person who shares address, phone number, or any other accessibility of information with any of the contracted judges.

When a show-producing club avails itself of the services of a non-member professional entry clerk/organization, the club should designate one of its own members to serve on the show committee in lieu of the entry clerk. The show license should reflect this while still listing the professional entry clerk/organization.

- 15.02** Assignment of any duty to one of these individuals does not exempt the show management (sponsoring club) from ultimate responsibility for proper observance of these show rules.
- 15.03** The show management will take all reasonable care of cats, kittens, carriers and other personal property of the exhibitors, but it is expressly stipulated that neither the show management, nor any other club member, nor any show official, nor the club sponsoring or conducting the show shall be liable for any loss or damage to such property.
- 15.04** When offered it is [SRC] is the club's responsibility to:
- Provide a setting for feline agility.
  - Provide a certified ringmaster (CRM).
  - Provide a steward for the ring.
  - Provide a table, paper towels and disinfectant.
  - Provide lunch for the certified ringmaster.
  - To complete the CRM evaluation sheet and send it to the designated person.
- 15.05** In the event a show is cancelled after licensing or after contracts have been signed for judges, the show management must immediately notify all judges under contract, the Regional Director and the Central Office.
- 15.06** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of show management can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 2.01, 2.03, 2.06, 2.08-09, 2.13-14, 3.01-06, 3.08, 4.01-04, 5.14, 5.28-29, 7.01-06, 8.01-04, 8.09, 9.04, 9.09-10, 9.25, 10.03, 10.36-37, 12.11, 33.09, and 33.11. [SRC]

### Article XVI

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW COMMITTEE

**16.01** Responsibilities of the show committee can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 5.26, 9.10, 9.23, 10.20, 11.05, 33.03, 33.05 and 33.09. [SRC]

## Article XVII

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW MANAGER

**17.01** The show manager is responsible for all aspects of conducting the show in accordance with these rules with the exception of those duties specifically allotted to the show secretary or show entry clerk. As a member of the show committee, he/she is jointly responsible for duties allotted to that committee.

**17.02** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of the show manager can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 6.01, Article VIII, 9.10, 10.04-06, 11.06, 12.04-05, 33.03 and 33.09. [SRC]

## Article XVIII

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW SECRETARY

**18.01** The show secretary must advise the officiating judges of the accommodations that have been made for them and the available ground transportation between airport, show room, and hotel.

**18.02** Prior to the show, the show secretary MUST provide the officiating judges with an emergency telephone and/or cell phone number of a show committee member to enable them to reach a committee member during show hours and the day previous to the start of the show.

**18.03** Prior to the show, the show secretary MUST provide the Central Office with an emergency telephone and/or cell phone number of a show committee member to enable them to reach a committee member during show hours and the day previous to the start of the show.

**18.04** Additional responsibilities of the show secretary can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 2.15, 4.04, 4.06, 8.11, 9.10, 9.20, 12.06-10, and 33.09. [SRC]

## Article XIX

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF SHOW TREASURER – SHOW FEE PAYMENTS

**19.01** The CFA licensed certified clerk performing the function of master clerk shall be compensated at the rate of eight (8) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. A CFA master clerk shall be compensated at ten (10) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. It is strongly recommended that for a six ring, one day show a club engage either two licensed master clerks or one licensed master clerk and one certified clerk who is working towards their master clerk license, assisting the licensed master clerk in charge. The minimum compensation for each person working as a master clerk shall be sixty (60) dollars per weekend or forty (40) dollars for a one day show. (A Best of the Bests ring is not considered as an additional ring requiring compensation.) Payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the date a contract is signed. If no contract exists, payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the first day of the show. CFA

licensed certified clerks performing the chief ring clerk function shall be compensated according to entries as follows:

Under 150 entries	\$30.00 per weekend
151-250 entries	\$45.00 per weekend
251-350 entries	\$60.00 per weekend
351-450 entries	\$75.00 per weekend
1 day shows with 1, 2, 3, 4 rings	\$35.00
225 back to back Shows	\$40.00 per day
1 day, 6 ring shows	\$45.00

NOTE: These are minimal compensations; more can be given per negotiated rate with clerk. [SRC]

### CONTRACTS ARE RECOMMENDED

Clerking fees must be paid before the clerk leaves the show hall at the completion of his or her assignment. Payment must be in U.S. currency, unless otherwise agreed in advance.

If payment in a foreign currency is involved, a prior agreement and contract between the club and the clerk is recommended.

**19.02** Each judge must be paid all money due him for expenses and judging fees in U.S. funds prior to the judge leaving the show room at the completion of his judging. If agreed in writing by the judge and the club, the currency of the country in which the show is held, equivalent to U.S. funds, may be used.

**19.03** Judging fees are as follow:

a. Approved judges will receive \$1.25 per scheduled paid entry with no minimum.

b. Approval Pending judges will receive \$0.80 cents per scheduled entry with no minimum.

c. Apprentice judges will receive \$0.50 cents per scheduled paid entry with no minimum.

d. An Approval Pending Allbreed judge shall be paid as an Approved judge when officiating as a Specialty judge, and shall be paid \$0.90 cents per scheduled paid entry with no minimum when officiating as an Allbreed judge.

e. A judge who officiates at a Household Pet show will be compensated at a rate commensurate with the highest status in either specialty.

f. Trainee judges shall receive no fee but shall be reimbursed for traveling expenses (rule 19.04) when judging Household Pet shows.

g. The fees for Best of the Bests judging are as follows: Kittens-\$20.00, Premiership-\$10.00, Championship-\$60.00, Household Pets-\$10.00. These fees may be negotiated between the club and the judge.

h. All judging fees and expenses shall be paid in United States Funds. If agreed in writing by the judge and the club, the currency of the country in which the show is held, equivalent to U.S. funds, may be used.

**19.04** Judges Expenses

a. All judges, irrespective of status, and Trainees used to judge Household Pet Classes will be reimbursed for traveling

expenses (transportation, hotel, meals, taxis, transportation to and from the airport, parking fees, and tips) in the amount not to exceed that actually expended.

b. Unless the club specifically agrees otherwise in writing at the time the original contract is signed, transportation costs shall not exceed the following:

1. If driving, mileage at the current IRS approved allowance or the equivalent of Coach Class airfare, whichever is less.

2. If traveling by air, Coach Class airfare. Judges, unless specifically told in writing not to do so by the contracting club at the time the original contract for the show is signed and returned to the judge by the club, shall attempt to purchase advance fare Coach Class tickets that are generally non-refundable and that are usually substantially lower in cost than regular Coach Class tickets.

c. In the event that the club cancels the show, the club shall be responsible for paying the cost of any non-refundable ticket within thirty (30) days following the date the club is billed. However, under specific conditions as defined by each airline, the judge may be able to apply the cost of the canceled ticket (LESS any penalties as imposed by the airline for said cancellation) toward the purchase of a future flight on that airline. In such case, the judge shall then reimburse the club any amount transferred by the airline towards the purchase of the replacement ticket (this amount is the cost of the original ticket as paid by the club LESS the amount of any penalty assessed by the airline); the reimbursement to the club of the amount transferred to purchase the replacement ticket shall be made within 30 days after the date on which said replacement ticket is used by the judge.

d. In the event that the judge cancels their contract for the show, the judge shall be responsible for paying the cost of the non-refundable ticket LESS any penalties as imposed by the airline for the cancellation; the reimbursement payment to the club shall be made within ninety (90) days following said cancellation. The club shall be responsible for the amount of any penalty fee for cancellation as imposed by the airline; the judge, having reimbursed the club for the difference, may then use the resultant fare balance to apply on any future flight the judge may take on that airline.

e. Judges who are contracted to judge shows outside of their country of residence are required to receive negotiable payment for transportation tickets prior to ticket being issued in advance of the show. Judges failing to follow this procedure will do so at their own risk. CFA WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for reimbursing judges for unpaid tickets. This rule is not applicable for travel between the United States and Canada.

**19.05** Clubs are required to provide hotel accommodations for each judge for the night before the beginning of a judge's judging, the night after the completion of a judge's judging, and for each night in between, if any. Should an 'act of God' storm (ice and/or snow) occur which prevents a judge from returning home after the club's responsibility ends, the judge may send an itemized bill of room and meal expenses to the CFA Central Office for reimbursement.

Clubs in Region 9 or the International Division must provide hotel accommodations, if required, for each judge for the period between consecutive weekend shows. If the judge does not stay at the show hotel and travels to other locations during

the period of the contracted shows, no more than the cost of the show hotel may be charged by the judge as well as reasonable meals which shall be reimbursed by the club.

**19.06** Judging fees and expenses are applicable to any CFA licensed show including Kitten matches, Premiership shows, Veteran Class shows, Household Pet shows or any combination thereof.

**19.07** The applicable fee is determined by the status of the judge on the opening day of the show.

**19.08** A judge who has moved his place of residence subsequent to the signing of his contract, or who is traveling from a location other than his residence, will not be reimbursed any greater sum for his traveling expenses than would have been applicable at the time the contract was signed by the judge unless agreed upon by the contracting club. The judge must notify the club if he has moved his place of residence as soon as this information is known to him and the club must reply within 15 days of the receipt of the notification as to their decision of whether or not to reimburse that judge the additional travel expense. If the club does not agree to pay the additional expense for travel, it must release the judge from the contract, in which event the judge is free to accept another assignment.

**19.09** Additional responsibilities of the show treasurer can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 9.10, 12.11, and 33.09. /SRC/

## Article XX

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF JUDGES

**20.01** A judge may not transport, supervise the transporting of or in any way be cognizant by personal act of the entries made at a show at which he/she is to officiate. Judges may not travel to shows with exhibitors whose cats are entered in the show where the judge is to officiate. While it is not encouraged, traveling from airport to hotel/show hall in an exhibitor vehicle shall not be construed as a violation of this rule, provided the show management (having no other option), has made the arrangements for an exhibitor to transport the judge. In this event the exhibitor's entries must be placed in the rear of the vehicle, away from the judge, and covered/screened in such a way to prevent visibility of the entry.

If a judge elects to transport a cat/kitten when he/she leaves for his/her contracted show, before doing so the judge must secure a written agreement signed by both the shipper (breeder/owner) and the purchaser (owner/lessee) certifying that the cat/kitten is not entered in the show the judge is officiating at that weekend. It shall be understood that a judge may decline to transport cats or kittens for anyone.

**20.02** a. A judge may not make an entry at a show at which he officiates, but he may enter for exhibition only, provided that this limitation shall not apply to entries by a judge who judges Household Pets or Veterans only.

b. A judge may not judge and exhibit on the same week-end at the same location.

c. An Approved Single Specialty judge may judge one day of a two day show and work color classes on the other day. In such case the catalog for the judge will be retained by the master clerk until the close of the show.

d. A judge may not judge a cat owned or co-owned by a member of his/her immediate family which includes father,

mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, step- children, step- parents, or in-laws. If the family member does not reside with the officiating judge, the cat may be judged in all other rings (see 5.09 and 5.10).

**20.03** Anyone participating in the CFA judging program in any capacity may NOT agent cats or kittens or present to the judging ring cats or kittens other than those registered in his/her name as owner, except single-specialty judges and trainees may agent cats of the opposite specialty.

**20.04** A judge should not engage in unnecessary conversations with exhibitors while performing his/her duties.

**20.05** A judge may not have access to a catalog prior to the completion of all judging duties and the transfer of a completed set of judges' color class sheets and finals sheet to the master clerk. The master clerk shall check the finals sheet for mechanical accuracy and sign it. The judge MUST remain in the show hall until these requirements are met, at which time the judge may receive a catalog and leave the show hall. The show committee will make certain that the judge's finals sheet is checked for accuracy as soon as possible following the completion of the judge's finals so that no hardship is placed upon the judge who must often meet the demands of a plane schedule (see 11.01 and 11.18).

**20.06** No judge or trainee shall solicit judging engagements from a club or another judge. No promise or implied promise of securing entries, donation to the club or reduction in judging fees shall be made by any person as an inducement for considering that person to judge a certain show. No judge shall solicit entries for any show at which he/she officiates.

**20.07** A judge at any show may not officiate or make comments about the exhibits while in any judging ring other than his/her own either prior to taking the stand or after leaving the stand.

**20.08** A judge shall not serve as clerk for another judge but may serve as master clerk. (See paragraph 8.09.c) A single specialty judge may clerk for a ring in the category for which he is not licensed. Trainees may serve as clerks in all capacities.

**20.09** An officiating judge is not permitted to perform the duties of master clerk or assistant master clerk.

**20.10** As ambassadors of CFA, it is expected judges, in pursuit of their duties, will dress in an appropriate manner; therefore, member clubs MAY NOT STIPULATE a judge's attire.

**20.11** Judges, while on judging assignments, must not sell merchandise of any variety.

**20.12** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of Judges can be found in the following rules: Prologue, 2.02, 2.04-05, 2.07-12, 5.09-10, 9.10, 10.10, 10.16, 10.19-24, 10.26-35, 11.01-04, 11.15, 33.05, and 33.09. [SRC]

## Article XXI

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHIEF RING CLERKS

**21.01** Responsibilities of chief ring clerks can be found in the following show rules: Prologue, 9.10, 10.11-15, 10.25, 11.01, 11.03, 11.07-11, 33.05 and 33.09. [SRC]

## Article XXII

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF MASTER CLERK

**22.01** Prior to the beginning of judging on the second day of a two day show, the ~~show secretary~~ master clerk must deliver to each ring a list of catalog numbers of entries that have been transferred competitively. [SRC]

**22.02** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of the Master Clerk can be found in the following show rules: Prologue, 9.10, 9.21-22, 11.01, 11.03, 11.06, 11.12-19, 12.06-07, and 33.09. [SRC]

## Article XXIII

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF CERTIFIED RING MASTER

**23.01** Certified Ringmaster (CRM).

a. The certified ringmaster is one who has trained and has passed the test provided by the coordinator of ringmasters.

b. The certified ringmaster is in charge of officiating at the ring and is responsible for the placement of the obstacles.

c. The CRM officiating shall have an agent showing for him/her if he/she wishes to enter the judging competition. If there is more than one CRM officiating, one of them may leave the ring to show in another class.

d. The CRM officiating is allowed to compete with his/her cat for exhibition or scores in agility (for Regional/ National) but must not compete for prizes in agility for the show in which he/she is officiating.

e. No food or treats are permitted in the agility ring at any time.

f. During the timed run, the handler must not touch the cat.

g. The CRM shall provide blank CFA Feline Agility Competitor claim forms and sign the completed form certifying that the named feline is qualified for the Agility Competitor (AC) title. In addition, the claim form may also be printed in the show catalog.

h. The CRM must complete the Agility Sign-In & Score Sheet and deliver it to the master clerk for inclusion in the show package.

i. The CRM must give the club an evaluation sheet for them to send to the designated person.

j. Each CRM will complete and pass a test every year to maintain certification. The test will be administered by the CFA coordinator for ringmasters and training.

**23.02** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of the Certified Ring Master can be found in the following show rules: Prologue and 35.04. [SRC]

## Article XXIV

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF CFA CENTRAL OFFICE STAFF

**24.01** Judges' books, entry forms, and copies of the show rules will be sent to the show secretary or entry clerk, depending on the show license request, [SRC] approximately four (4) months prior to the show date. Additional supplies may be ordered at the current fees.

**24.02** In addition to the above, additional responsibilities of central office staff can be found in the following rules: 3.06-07, 5.16, 5.23, 10.23, 10.24, 11.15, 12.11, 24.01, 25.01, Article XXVI, Article XXVII, and 33.01. [SRC]

## Article XXV

### OBTAINING TITLES – AGILITY

- 25.01** a. Cats competing in CFA Feline Agility and completing the requirements as described in paragraph c. below, are eligible to confirm their first CFA FAC title and be scored for future titles. Each claimant of an Agility Competitor title must mail to the Central Office or give to the master clerk the official CFA Feline Agility Competitor Claim Form or facsimile thereof signed by the officiating ringmaster before the opening day of the next show in which the cat is benched for CFA Feline Agility, along with the current confirmation fee. *See current price list for applicable fees.*
- b. Only the Agility Competitor (AC) title must be confirmed, the remaining titles will be awarded automatically following the completion of their requirements.
- c. Agility Competitor: (AC) this title is awarded to any cat who completes the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error.
- d. Agility Winner: (AW) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Competitor (AC), and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in at least 2 separate CFA Feline Agility competitions, earning a minimum of 500 Points.
- e. Agility Master: (AM) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Winner (AW) and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in CFA Feline Agility competitions during their competitive career, earning a minimum of 2000 points.
- f. Agility Grand Master: (AG) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Master (AM) and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in CFA Feline Agility competitions during their competitive career, earning a minimum of 4000 points.

## Article XXVI

### OBTAINING TITLES – CHAMPION/PREMIER

- 26.01** Of each color class recognized as entitled to Championship or Premiership, all opens in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty, can use the ring as a “Qualifying Ring” so long as the judge does not disqualify or otherwise withhold awards (including wrong color) from the open.
- 26.02** Winners ribbons or qualifying rings claimed must be won competing as the same color and/or pattern and must be won under the exact name in which the cat is registered. The cat’s registration number must be printed in the catalog. Ownership shown in the show catalog must agree with the registered ownership, subject to the provisions of show rule 5.03. Wins made in Championship competition may not be transferred to Premiership records. However, titles won in Championship competition are retained.
- 26.03** a. Six (6) Qualifying Rings earned under at least four (4) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, and the Maritime

Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least three (3) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Russia (east of the Ural Mountains), Malta, and Asia (except Japan) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation.

b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 26.05c.

c. An Open must compete all of the requirements for Championship or Premiership confirmation before competing as a Grand Champion or Grand Premier.

**26.04** Cats must be registered as the color and/or pattern for which a championship claim is being made. A corrected certificate for cats registered as a different color and/or pattern than the color and/or pattern the cat competed as must be obtained either prior to or in conjunction with the championship claim form. The current fee in effect for a corrected certificate must be submitted.

**26.05** a. A Championship or Premiership claim can be made by completing the official CFA Championship Claim Form and mailing to the Central Office before the opening day of the next show in which the cat is benched, completing an online confirmation at the CFA website, or filing with the show master clerk. The CFA Championship Claim form must include the following information on the shows where Qualifying Rings have been earned: show name, show date, and judges who judged each Qualifying Ring and be accompanied by the appropriate fee. See current price list for applicable fees.

b. Cats completing the requirements for the Championship or Premiership class may file the Championship Claim Form and fee with the master clerk for inclusion in the show records package for CFA.

c. Requests for confirmation of Championship or Premiership must be made within three years of the date of the first show at which Qualifying Rings are achieved except where Championships or Premierships have been earned over a longer period. Such requests may be confirmed subject to the availability and verification by official show records. Exhibitors may validate Qualifying Rings achieved at a show whose date approaches the three year limit by contacting the Central Office in a timely manner providing the details of the award—name of show, date, and judge.

## Article XXVII

### OBTAINING TITLES – GRANDS

- 27.01** Grand points for a cat that has completed requirements for Championship or Premiership will not be posted to a cat’s record until the Central Office has received a Championship Claim form, appropriate fees, and confirmed that championship or premiership requirements have been met. In the case of cats that earned points with a temporary registration number, those points also will not be posted to a cat’s record until the cat has received a permanent registration number. When the Championship or Premiership Claim Form has not been received by the Central Office, any wins earned by a cat

otherwise eligible to compete as a Champion or Premier will be held in abeyance. For these wins to be counted, the exhibitor must respond to the written notice of delinquency issued by the Central Office within 20 days of the date of such notice. The response shall consist of a completed Championship or Premiership Claim Form, the confirmation fee and payment of a late filing fee. See current price list for applicable fees.

**27.02** 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 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. 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 5<sup>th</sup> highest 60%, etc. In all cases, fractional points .5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.

b. Best Champion or Best Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated.

c. Second Best Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points received by the Best Champion or Premier. Third Best Champion will receive 80% of the points received by the Best Champion.

d. Best Longhair Champion and Best Shorthair Champion in Allbreed rings will receive one point for every benched Champion defeated in that specialty.

e. The Second Best Longhair Champion and Second Best Shorthair Champion in Allbreed rings will receive 90% of the points received by the Best Longhair or Best Shorthair Champion. The Third Best Longhair Champion and Third Best Shorthair Champion in Allbreed rings will receive 80% of the points received by the Best Longhair or Best Shorthair Champion.

f. Best Longhair Premier and Best Shorthair Premier in Allbreed rings will receive one point for every benched Premier defeated in that specialty.

g. The Second Best Longhair Premier and Second Best Shorthair Premier in Allbreed rings will receive 90% of the points received by the Best Longhair or Best Short-hair Premier.

**27.03** Breed and Division Points

a. Cats which receive the award of Best Champion/Premier in each of the Breeds/Divisions currently recognized for Championship/Premiership competition (see rule 28.01) will receive one Grand Championship/ Premiership point for every benched Champion/Premier defeated within the Breed/Division.

b. In all cases an entry will receive the points from only one award per ring - that which carries the most points.

**27.04** a. A cat must have at least one win of Best Champion/Premier or Second Best Champion/Premier or Third Best Champion or a final award of Best-Fifteenth Best Cat in either a CFA Specialty or Allbreed final in order to qualify for the title of Grand Champion/Grand Premier.

b. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Malta, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), the International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia), and the Maritime Provinces of Canada seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia one hundred twenty-five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In the Ukraine two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship. In Hong Kong seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Premiership. In China and Malaysia fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Thailand, and Indonesia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Ukraine and Russia (east of the Ural mountains) twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.

c. Grand points will be adjusted when a cat competes outside their scoring location. For example, a cat competing from a 75 point scoring location to a 200 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 37.5% and grand premier points at 33.3%. A cat competing from a 75 point scoring location to a 125 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 60% and grand premier points at 50%. A cat competing from a 125 point scoring location to a 200 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 62.5% and grand premier points at 66.6%.

Grand points will only be adjusted up when a cat competes from a higher point scoring location to a lower point scoring location for either of the following two reasons: (1) there is a permanent change of residence or (2) a cat from Japan, Singapore, or Taiwan is competing in either Japan, Singapore, or Taiwan (see 27.04.d).

d. A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one scoring location will be adjusted per 27.03.c. Grand Champion points earned in a 75 point scoring location moving to a 200 point scoring location will be credited at 267%. Grand Premier points will be credited at 300%. Grand Champion points earned in a 75 point scoring location moving to a 125 point scoring location will be credited at 166%. Grand Champion points earned in a 125 point scoring location moving to a 200 point scoring location will be credited at 160%. Grand Premier points earned in a 50 point scoring location moving to a 75 point scoring location will be credited at 150%. Grand Premier points earned in a 25 point scoring location moving to a 50 point scoring location will be credited at 200%.

e. Wins made in Championship competition may not be transferred to Premiership records. However, titles won in Championship competition are retained.

f. An Open must complete the requirements for the Champion/Premier class in order to qualify for the title of Grand Champion/Grand Premier. Opens may not compete as Grand Champions or Grand Premiers until all of the requirements for the Championship or Premiership claim have been met.

**27.05** Points must be won under at least three (3) different judges.



**27.06** Cats completing the requirements for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership by the close of the first day of a two day show will then be eligible for competition as a Grand Champion or Grand Premier on the second day of the show, including those cats competing with a temporary registration number. All show. All such transfers must be made to the master clerk at the end of the first day's judging. Prior to the start of judging on the second day of the show, the show secretary will report all Grand Championship and Grand Premiership transfers to each ring clerk who will notify the officiating judge of changes.

The master clerk will record all transfers filed by the end of the first day of the show on an absentee/transfer sheet designed for this purpose.

The Central Office will automatically confirm cats that have completed requirements for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. Certificate of confirmation will be mailed as soon as possible after show records are received and wins have been recorded with the exception of those cats competing with a temporary registration number. In that case, the Certificate of confirmation will only be mailed after the cat has received a permanent registration number.

If confirmation of Grand Championship/Grand Premiership is not received, owners should contact the Central Office by phone via the number listed at the front of this booklet prior to competition in any subsequent show, to confirm that their cat(s) has completed the requirements for Grand.

A cat may also begin to compete on the second day of a two day show, without having the title of Grand Championship or Grand Premiership confirmed by the Central Office if the owner/agent completes a correction slip and transfer with the master clerk at the end of the first day of a two day show.

**27.07** After confirmation of title has been received, a cat is ineligible to compete in the Champion or Premier Class and must be transferred and compete in the Grand Champion or Grand Premier class at any subsequent show.

**27.08** Any cat that achieves 30 or more top 10/top 15 finals per season in three separate seasons shall be eligible to claim the "Grand of Distinction" title (abbreviated GCD or GPD). At least 20 of these finals in each season must be in Allbreed rings. These finals may be achieved in either championship or premiership class, or a combination, in each season. The "of distinction" suffix will be added to the title corresponding to the class in which the cat competed in the third season with 30 finals. Cats who have achieved this title will still compete in the regular Grand Champion/Grand Premier classes.

This award may be claimed by filing the appropriate form with Central Office, and paying a fee as set by the Board of Directors. Show seasons prior to 2011-2012 may not be considered in claims for this title.

## Article XXVIII

### CHAMPIONSHIP BREEDS/DIVISIONS & COLORS

**28.01** The following breeds and colors are recognized as entitled to win Championship or Premiership honors.

(NOTE: Male cats of any of the following colors are never eligible for Kitten, Championship or Premiership competition, but are eligible for an AOV class as provided in Article XXXIII): Shell Tortoiseshell, Shaded Tortoise-shell,

Tortoiseshell Smoke, Shell Blue-Cream, Shaded Blue-Cream, Blue-Cream Smoke, Silver Patched Tabby (Torbie), Blue-Silver Patched Tabby, Brown Patched Tabby (Torbie), Blue Patched Tabby (Torbie), Tortoise-shell, Calico or Dilute Calico, Van Calico or Dilute Van Calico, Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Blue-Cream Smoke & White, Blue-Cream, Tortie Point, Blue-Cream Point.)

## LONGHAIR SPECIALTY BREEDS

### AMERICAN BOBTAIL

Color Class #	Male	Female
LONGHAIR DIVISION	<u>Male Female</u>	
All Championship Colors.....	5400	5401
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)</i>		
SHORTHAIIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors.....	9400	9401
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)</i>		

### AMERICAN CURL

LONGHAIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors.....	8000	8001
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Other American Curl Colors and patterns.)</i>		
SHORTHAIIR DIVISION		
All Championship Colors.....	8050	8051
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Other American Curl Colors and patterns.)</i>		

### BIRMAN (Sacred Cat of Burma)

Chocolate Point.....	0180	0181
Seal Point.....	0182	0183
Lilac Point.....	0184	0185
Blue Point.....	0186	0187
Other Solid Point.....	2178	2179
<i>(Red, Cream)</i>		
Parti-Color Point.....	- -	2189
<i>(Seal-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Chocolate-Tortie, Lilac-Cream)</i>		
Seal Lynx Point.....	2152	2153
Chocolate Lynx Point.....	2154	2155
Blue Lynx Point.....	2156	2157
All other Lynx Point.....	2158	2159
<i>(Lilac, Red, Cream, Seal-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Lilac-Cream)</i>		

### EXOTIC\*

(See Note at End of Exotic Listing)

Blue-Eyed White.....	7700	7701
Copper-Eyed White.....	7702	7703
Odd-Eyed White.....	7704	7705
Blue.....	7706	7707
Black.....	7708	7709
Red.....	7710	7711
Cream.....	7714	7715
OSCC (Other Solid Colors Class).....	7720	7721
<i>(Chocolate or Lilac)</i>		
Chinchilla Silver.....	7730	7731
Shaded Silver.....	7732	7733
Chinchilla Golden.....	7726	7727
Shaded Golden.....	7772	7773
Shell Cameo.....	7760	7761
Shaded Cameo.....	7762	7763
Shell Cream.....	7856	7857
Shaded Cream.....	7858	7859
Shell Tortoiseshell.....	- -	7775
Shaded Tortoiseshell.....	- -	7777
Shell Blue-Cream.....	- -	7853
Shaded Blue-Cream.....	- -	7851
Other Shaded Colors.....	7880	7881

<i>(Shell Blue, Shaded Blue, Shell Black, Shaded Black, Blue Chinchilla Silver, Blue Shaded Silver, Blue Chinchilla Golden, Blue Shaded Golden, Shell Chocolate, Shaded Chocolate, Shell Lilac, Shaded Lilac, Shell Chocolate Tortie, Shaded Chocolate Tortie, Shell Lilac-Cream, Shaded Lilac-Cream)</i>	
Black Smoke.....	7734 7735
Blue Smoke.....	7738 7739
Cream Smoke.....	7768 7769
Red Smoke.....	7764 7765
Tortoiseshell Smoke.....	-- 7725
Blue-Cream Smoke.....	-- 7723
Other Smoke Colors.....	7420 7421
<i>(Chocolate Smoke, Lilac Smoke, Chocolate-Tortie Smoke, Lilac-Cream Smoke)</i>	
Silver Tabby.....	7736 7737
Silver Mackerel or Spotted Tabby.....	7736M 7737M
Silver Patched Tabby (Torbie).....	-- 7785
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Blue Silver Tabby.....	7634 7635
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Blue Silver Patched Tabby (Torbie).....	-- 7637
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Red Tabby.....	7740 7741
Red Mackerel or Spotted Tabby.....	7740M 7741M
Brown Tabby.....	7744 7745
Brown Mackerel or Spotted Tabby.....	7744M 7745M
Brown Patched Tabby (Torbie).....	-- 7787
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Blue Tabby.....	7752 7753
Blue Mackerel or Spotted Tabby.....	7752M 7753M
Blue Patched Tabby (Torbie).....	-- 7789
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Cream Tabby.....	7754 7755
Cream Mackerel or Spotted Tabby.....	7754M 7755M
Cameo Tabby.....	7766 7767
Cameo Mackerel or Spotted Tabby.....	7766M 7767M
Cream Silver Tabby.....	7854 7855
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Other Tabby Colors.....	7462 7463
<i>[Chocolate, Lilac (classic, mackerel, patched, spotted)]</i>	
Tortoiseshell.....	-- 7747
Blue-Cream.....	-- 7751
Other Parti-Colors.....	-- 7647
<i>Chocolate-Tortoiseshell, Lilac-Cream)</i>	
Calico.....	-- 7749
<i>(White with Black &amp; Red, Tortie &amp; White)</i>	
Dilute Calico.....	-- 7719
<i>(White with Blue &amp; Cream, Blue-Cream &amp; White)</i>	
Blue & White.....	7806 7807
Black & White.....	7808 7809
Red & White.....	7800 7801
Cream & White.....	7804 7805
Other Bi-Colors.....	7590 7591
<i>(Chocolate Bi-Color, Lilac Bi-Color, Chocolate Calico, Lilac Calico)</i>	
Smoke & White.....	7594 7595
<i>(Black Smoke &amp; White, Blue Smoke &amp; White, Cream Smoke &amp; White, Red Smoke &amp; White, Tortoiseshell Smoke &amp; White, Blue-Cream Smoke &amp; White, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke, Chocolate)</i>	
Shaded & White.....	7488 7489
<i>(Chinchilla Silver &amp; White, Shaded Silver &amp; White, Chinchilla Golden &amp; White, Shaded Golden &amp; White, Shell Cameo &amp; White, Shaded Cameo &amp; White, Shell Cream &amp; White, Shaded Cream &amp; White, Shell Tortoiseshell &amp; White, Shaded Tortoiseshell &amp; White, Shell Blue-Cream &amp; White, Shaded Blue-Cream &amp; White and all colors in the Other Shaded Colors Class with the addition of White)</i>	
Red Tabby & White.....	7940 7941
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Brown Tabby & White.....	7944 7945

<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Patched Tabby & White.....	-- 7987
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Other Tabby & White.....	7992 7993
<i>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</i>	
Chocolate Point.....	7670 7671
Seal Point.....	7672 7673
Flame (Red) Point.....	7678 7679
Tortie Point.....	-- 7693
Lilac Point.....	7674 7675
Blue Point.....	7676 7677
Cream Point.....	7696 7697
Blue-Cream Point.....	-- 7689
Lynx Point.....	7660 7661
<i>(Seal-Lynx, Blue-Lynx, Tortie-Lynx, Blue Cream-Lynx, Flame (Red)-Lynx, Cream-Lynx, Chocolate-Lynx, Lilac-Lynx, Chocolate Tortie-Lynx, Lilac-Cream Lynx)</i>	

Note: Longhair Exotics that meet Persian color descriptions are eligible to compete in Persian color classes. Refer to the Persian section for a complete list of colors. These cats, also referred to as AOV Exotics, are identified by a registration prefix of 7798-7799, 7698-7699 and 7598- 7599. A longhair division for Exotics will be created for scoring purposes only and National/Regional points accumulated by longhair Exotics shown in Persian color classes will count towards longhair Exotic breed and color class wins, not towards Persian wins.

## MAINE COON CAT

Solid Colors.....	1700 1701
<i>(White, Black, Blue, Red, or Cream)</i>	
Brown Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	1744 1745
Brown Patched Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	-- 1787
Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	1736 1737
Silver Patched Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	-- 1785
Red Tabby (classic, mackerel).....	1740 1741
All Other Tabby Colors.....	9792 9793
<i>(Blue, Blue-Silver [classic, mackerel, patched], Cream, Cameo, Cream-Silver [classic, mackerel])</i>	
Brown Tabby & White (including Vans).....	1778 1779
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>	
Brown Patched Tabby & White (including Vans).....	-- 1769
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>	
Silver Tabby & White (including Vans).....	9736 9737
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>	
Silver Patched Tabby & White (including Vans).....	-- 9785
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>	
Red Tabby & White (including Vans).....	9749 9741
<i>(classic, mackerel)</i>	
All Other Tabby & White Colors (including Vans).....	1758 1759
<i>(Blue, Blue-Silver [classic, mackerel, patched], Cream, Cameo, Cream-Silver [classic, mackerel])</i>	
Bi-Color.....	1790 1791
<i>(Black &amp; White, Blue &amp; White, Red &amp; White, Cream &amp; White)</i>	
Parti-Color.....	-- 1747
<i>(Tortoiseshell, Blue-Cream)</i>	
Parti-Color & White.....	-- 1795
<i>(Calico [including Vans], Dilute Calico [including Vans], Tortoiseshell &amp; White, Blue-Cream &amp; White)</i>	
Shaded & Smoke.....	1730 1731
<i>(Chinchilla Silver, Shaded Silver, Chinchilla Blue Silver, Shaded Blue Silver, Shell Cameo, Shaded Cameo, Shell Cream, Shaded Cream, Shell Tortoiseshell, Shaded Tortoiseshell, Shell Blue-Cream, Shaded Blue-Cream, Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Cameo Smoke, Cream Smoke, Tortie Smoke, Blue-Cream Smoke)</i>	
Shaded/Smoke & White (including Vans).....	1774 1775
<i>(Note: any tortie &amp; white colors or blue-cream &amp; white colors will not have the van pattern. Chinchilla Silver &amp; White, Shaded Silver &amp; White, Chinchilla Blue Silver &amp; White, Shaded Blue Silver &amp; White, Shell Cameo &amp; White, Shaded Cameo &amp; White, Shell Cream &amp; White, Shaded Cream &amp; White, Shell Tortoiseshell &amp; White, Shaded Tortoiseshell &amp; White, Shell Calico, Shaded Calico, Shell</i>	

*Blue-Cream & White, Shaded Blue-Cream & White, Shell Dilute Calico, Shaded Dilute Calico, Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White, Cameo Smoke & White, Cream Smoke & White, Tortie Smoke & White, Blue-Cream Smoke & White, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke*  
 OMCC (Other Maine Coon Colors).....1796 1797  
 (Any other color with the exception of those showing hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the himalayan pattern; the unpatterned agouti on the body [i.e., Abyssinian-type ticked tabby] or these combinations with white.)

### NORWEGIAN FOREST CAT

Brown Tabby & Brown Tabby & White .....9044 9045  
 (classic, mackerel, patched, spotted, ticked)  
 All Other Norwegian Forest Cat Colors .....9000 9001  
 (All accepted colors (with the exception of Brown Tabby and Brown Tabby & White) as defined in the Show Standards and Other Norwegian Forest Cat colors and patterns.)

### PERSIAN\*

(See Note at End of Persian Listing)

#### SOLID COLOR DIVISION

Blue-Eyed White.....0100 0101  
 Copper-Eyed White .....0102 0103  
 Odd-Eyed White .....0104 0105  
 Blue .....0106 0107  
 Black.....0108 0109  
 Red.....0110 0111  
 Cream .....0114 0115  
 OSCC (Other Solid Colors Class).....1916 1917  
 (Chocolate or Lilac)

#### SILVER & GOLDEN DIVISION

Chinchilla Silver .....0130 0131  
 Shaded Silver .....0132 0133  
 Blue Chinchilla Silver.....0128 0129  
 Blue Shaded Silver.....0156 0157  
 Chinchilla Golden.....1170 1171  
 Shaded Golden.....1172 1173  
 Blue Chinchilla Golden .....1074 1075  
 Blue Shaded Golden .....1076 1077

#### SMOKE & SHADED DIVISION

Shell Cameo.....0160 0161  
 Shaded Cameo .....0162 0163  
 Shell Cream .....1356 1357  
 Shaded Cream.....1358 1359  
 Shell Tortoiseshell..... - - 1175  
 Shaded Tortoiseshell..... - - 1177  
 Shell Blue-Cream..... - - 1353  
 Shaded Blue-Cream ..... - - 1351  
 Black Smoke.....0134 0135  
 Blue Smoke.....0138 0139  
 Cream Smoke.....0168 0169  
 Red Smoke.....0164 0165  
 Tortoiseshell Smoke..... - - 0125  
 Blue-Cream Smoke..... - - 1139

#### TABBY DIVISION

Silver Tabby.....0136 0137  
 Silver Mackerel Tabby.....0136M 0137M  
 Silver Patched Tabby (torbie)..... - - 1137  
 (classic, mackerel)  
 Blue Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel).....1334 1335  
 Blue Silver Patched Tabby (torbie)..... - - 1337  
 (classic, mackerel)  
 Red Tabby.....0140 0141  
 Red Mackerel Tabby.....0140M 0141M  
 Brown Tabby .....0144 0145  
 Brown Mackerel Tabby .....0144M 0145M  
 Brown Patched Tabby (torbie)..... - - 1145  
 (classic, mackerel)  
 Blue Tabby .....0152 0153  
 Blue Mackerel Tabby.....0152M 0153M

Blue Patched Tabby (torbie)..... - - 1153  
 (classic, mackerel)  
 Cream Tabby.....0154 0155  
 Cream Mackerel Tabby.....0154M 0155M  
 Cameo Tabby.....0166 0167  
 Cameo Mackerel Tabby.....0166M 0167M  
 Cream Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel).....1354 1355  
 Other Tabby Colors (classic, mackerel).....3100 3101  
 (Chocolate Tabby, Chocolate Patched Tabby, Lilac Tabby, Lilac Patched Tabby)

#### PARTI-COLOR DIVISION

Tortoiseshell..... - - 0147  
 Blue-Cream..... - - 0151  
 Other Parti-Colors..... - - 3059  
 (Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Lilac-Cream)

#### CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

Calico..... - - 0149  
 (White with Black & Red)  
 Dilute Calico..... - - 0119  
 (White with Blue & Cream)  
 Blue & White .....1106 1107  
 Black & White .....1108 1109  
 Red & White .....1110 1111  
 Cream & White.....1114 1115  
 Smoke & White.....1112 1113  
 (Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White, Cream Smoke & White, Red Smoke & White, Chocolate Smoke & White, Lilac Smoke & White, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke, Chocolate Calico Smoke, Lilac Calico Smoke)  
 Shaded & White.....1420 1421  
 (Shell Cameo & White, Shell Cream & White, Shell Calico, Shell Dilute Calico, Shell Chocolate Calico, Shell Lilac Calico, Shaded Cameo & White, Shaded Cream & White, Shaded Calico, Shaded Dilute Calico, Shaded Chocolate Calico, Shaded Lilac Calico)  
 Red Tabby & White .....1140 1141  
 (classic, mackerel)  
 Brown Tabby & White.....1142 1143  
 (classic, mackerel)  
 Patched Tabby & White..... - - 1159  
 (all currently established patched tabby patterns in classic and mackerel with the addition of white.)  
 Other Tabby & White .....1192 1193  
 (all currently established tabby patterns, with the exception of red, brown and patched tabby, in classic and mackerel with the addition of white.)  
 Other Bi-Colors.....3390 3391  
 (Chocolate Bi-Color, Lilac Bi-Color, Chocolate Calico, Lilac Calico)

#### HIMALAYAN DIVISION

Chocolate Point.....0170 0171  
 Seal Point.....0172 0173  
 Lilac Point.....0174 0175  
 Blue Point .....0176 0177  
 Flame Point.....0178 0179  
 Cream Point .....0196 0197  
 Tortie Point ..... - - 0193  
 Blue-Cream Point ..... - - 0189  
 Seal Lynx Point .....3252 3253  
 Blue Lynx Point .....3256 3257  
 Tortie-Lynx Point..... - - 3247  
 Blue Cream-Lynx Point ..... - - 3251  
 Flame Lynx Point.....3260 3261  
 Cream Lynx Point.....3262 3263  
 Other Lynx Point.....3242 3243  
 (Chocolate-Lynx, Lilac-Lynx, Chocolate Tortie-Lynx, Lilac Cream-Lynx)  
 OPCC (Other Pointed Colors Class)..... - - 3249  
 (Chocolate-Tortie or Lilac-Cream)

Note: Longhair Exotics that meet Persian color descriptions are eligible to compete in Persian color classes. These cats, also referred to as AOV Exotics, are identified by a registration prefix of 7798-7799, 7698-7699 and

7598-7599. A longhair division for Exotics will be created for scoring purposes only and National/regional points accumulated by longhair Exotics shown in Persian color classes will count towards longhair Exotic breed and color class wins, not towards Persian wins.

### RAGAMUFFIN

All Championship Colors .....9800 9801

### RAGDOLL

Seal Point & White .....0482 0483  
 Blue Point & White.....0486 0487  
 All Other Pointed & White Colors .....0480 0481  
*(including lilac, chocolate, all lynx colors, red, cream, tortie and all van colors)*  
 Mitted Point Colors.....0460 0461  
*(all mitted colors including chocolate, seal, lilac, blue, all lynx colors, red, cream and tortie)*  
 Colorpoint Colors .....0470 0471  
*(all pointed colors including chocolate, seal, lilac, blue, all lynx colors, red, cream and tortie)*

### SIBERIAN

All Championship Colors .....3700 3701  
*(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Any Other Siberian Colors.)*

### TURKISH ANGORA

White Color Class .....1802 1803  
*(Blue-eyed White, Green-eyed White, Green-Gold Eyed White, Amber-eyed White, Odd-eyed White)*  
 Other Solid Colors Class.....1806 1807  
*(Black, Blue, Cream, Red)*  
 Tabby Color Class.....1836 1837  
*[Blue Tabby, Brown Tabby, Silver Tabby, Blue-Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted, patched), Cream Tabby, Red Tabby, Cameo Tabby, Cream Cameo (cream-silver) Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted)].*  
 Parti-Color & Bi-Color Class.....1848 1849  
*(Black & White, Blue-Cream, Blue & White, Calico, Cream & White, Red & White, Dilute Calico, Tortoiseshell, Tabby & White [brown, silver, blue, blue-silver, red, cream, cameo and cream-cameo in classic, mackerel, spotted and, where applicable, patched]; Smoke & White [black smoke & white, blue smoke & white, cameo smoke (red smoke) & white, cream cameo smoke (cream smoke) and white], Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke)*  
 OTAC (Other Turkish Angora Colors) .....1890 1891  
*(Any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender the Himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white.)*

### TURKISH VAN

Solid & White .....3560 3561  
*(Black & White, Blue & White, Cream & White, Red & White)*  
 Parti-Color & White..... - - 3585  
*(Blue Patched Tabby & White, Brown Patched Tabby & White, Tortoiseshell & White, Dilute Tortoiseshell & White)*  
 Tabby & White .....3590 3591  
*(Blue Tabby & White, Brown Tabby & White, Cream Tabby & White, Red Tabby & White)*  
 All Other Turkish Van Colors.....3500 3501  
*(van pattern only – any other color and white (silver tabby, smokes, etc.) with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting from the Himalayan pattern (point restricted) and colors (chocolate, lilac, etc.).*

## SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY BREEDS

### ABYSSINIAN

Ruddy .....0380 0381  
 Red.....0382 0383

Blue.....0384 0385  
 Fawn .....0386 0387

## AMERICAN SHORTHAIR

Blue-Eyed White.....0700 0701  
 Gold-Eyed White .....0702 0703  
 Odd-Eyed White .....0704 0705  
 Blue.....0706 0707  
 Black.....0708 0709  
 Red.....0710 0711  
 Cream.....0714 0715  
 Chinchilla Silver .....0730 0731  
 Shaded Silver.....0732 0733  
 Black Smoke.....0734 0735  
 Blue Smoke.....0738 0739  
 Silver Tabby.....0736 0737  
 Silver Mackerel Tabby.....0736M 0737M  
 Silver Patched Tabby (Torbie)..... - - 0785  
*(classic, mackerel)*  
 Blue-Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel).....7068 7069  
 Blue-Silver Patched Tabby ..... - - 7037  
*(classic, mackerel)*  
 Red Tabby.....0740 0741  
 Red Mackerel Tabby.....0740M 0741M  
 Brown Tabby .....0744 0745  
 Brown Mackerel Tabby.....0744M 0745M  
 Brown Patched Tabby (torbie)..... - - 0787  
*(classic, mackerel)*  
 Blue Tabby.....0752 0753  
 Blue Mackerel Tabby.....0752M 0753M  
 Blue Patched Tabby (torbie)..... - - 0789  
*(classic, mackerel)*  
 Cream Tabby.....0754 0755  
 Cream Mackerel Tabby.....0754M 0755M  
 Shell Cameo .....0760 0761  
 Shaded Cameo .....0762 0763  
 Smoke Cameo .....0764 0765  
 Tortoiseshell Smoke..... - - 0725  
 Cameo Tabby.....0766 0767  
 Cameo Mackerel Tabby .....0766M 0767M  
 Cream Cameo Tabby (classic, mackerel).....7066 7067  
 Tabby & White (including Vans).....7072 7073  
*(Silver, Brown, Blue, Red, Cameo, Cream [all tabby colors in either mackerel and classic and, where applicable, patched patterns])*  
 Smoke & White (including Vans).....7024 7025  
*(Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White, Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Shell Cameo & White, Shaded Cameo & White, Smoke Cameo & White)*  
 Dilute Shaded.....0728 0729  
*(Blue Chinchilla Silver, Blue Shaded Silver, Cream Shell Cameo, Cream Shaded Cameo, Blue Cream Smoke)*  
 Bi-Color and Van Bi-Color.....0770 0771  
*(Red & White, Blue & White, Cream & White, Black & White)*  
 Tortoiseshell..... - - 0747  
 Calico and Van Calico ..... - - 0749  
*(White with Black & Red) or Dilute Calico and Van Dilute Calico (White with Blue & Cream)*  
 Blue-Cream..... - - 0751  
 Shaded Parti-Color..... - - 0723  
*(Chinchilla Tortoiseshell, Shaded Tortoiseshell, Dilute Chinchilla Tortoiseshell, Dilute Shaded Tortoiseshell)*

## AMERICAN WIREHAIR

All Championship Colors.....9900 9901  
*(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Other Wirehair Colors and patterns with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern or these combinations with white, etc.)*

## BALINESE

### BALINESE DIVISION

Chocolate Point.....	1270	1271
Seal Point.....	1272	1273
Lilac Point.....	1274	1275
Blue Point.....	1276	1277

### JAVANESE DIVISION

Solid Color Point .....	2078	2079
<i>(Cream, Cinnamon, Fawn, Red - including smoke &amp; silver)</i>		
Lynx Point .....	2054	2055
<i>(Blue, Blue-Cream, Chocolate, Chocolate-Tortie, Cinnamon, Cinnamon-Tortie, Cream, Fawn, Fawn-Cream, Lilac, Lilac-Cream, Red, Seal, Seal-Tortie Point - including smoke &amp; silver)</i>		
Parti-Color Point.....	--	2047
<i>(Blue-Cream, Chocolate-Tortie, Cinnamon-Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Lilac-Cream, Seal-Tortie Point - including smoke &amp; silver)</i>		

### BOMBAY

Black.....	0410	0411
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### BRITISH SHORTHAIR

Solid Color Class .....	2500	2501
<i>(Black, Blue, Cream, Red, Blue-Eyed White, Gold-Eyed White, Odd-Eyed White)</i>		
Tabby Class (spotted, classic, mackerel).....	2536	2537
<i>(Blue Tabby, Brown Tabby, Cream Tabby, Red Tabby, Silver Tabby, Blue Patched Tabby, Brown Patched Tabby and Silver Patched Tabby)</i>		
Parti-Color & Bi-Color Class.....	2546	2547
<i>(Blue-Cream, Tortoiseshell, Calico, Van Calico, Dilute Calico, Van Dilute Calico, Solid Color and White, Van Solid Color and White, Tabby and White, Van Tabby and White, Patched Tabby and White)</i>		
OBSHC (Other British Shorthair Colors) .....	2596	2597
<i>(Smoke, Shaded, Shaded Golden and any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white. Eye color: appropriate to the dominant color of the cat.)</i>		

### BURMESE

Sable .....	0400	0401
Champagne.....	0402	0403
Blue .....	0404	0405
Platinum.....	0406	0407

### CHARTREUX

Blue .....	0550	0551
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### COLORPOINT SHORTHAIR

Solid Color Point .....	2278	2279
<i>(Red, Cream)</i>		
Lynx Point .....	2254	2255
<i>(Blue, Blue-Cream, Chocolate, Chocolate-Tortie, Cream, Lilac, Lilac-Cream, Red, Seal, or Seal-Tortie)</i>		
Parti-Color Point.....	--	2247
<i>(Blue-Cream, Chocolate-Tortie, Lilac-Cream, or Seal-Tortie)</i>		

### CORNISH REX

White .....	0900	0901
Blue (including Smoke) .....	0906	0907
Black (including Smoke).....	0908	0909
Red (including Smoke) .....	0910	0911
Cream (including Smoke) .....	0914	0915
Other Solid Colors (including Smoke) .....	0920	0921
<i>(lavender, chocolate)</i>		
Chinchilla Silver and Shaded Silver .....	0930	0931
Silver Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted).....	0936	0937
Red Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted).....	0940	0941

Brown Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted).....	0944	0945
Blue Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted) .....	0952	0953
Cream Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted) .....	0954	0955
Patched Tabby (classic, mackerel, spotted) .....	--	0973
<i>(silver, brown, blue)</i>		
Tortoiseshell (Including Smoke, Chocolate).....	--	0947
<i>(Tortoiseshell, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke)</i>		
Calico (including Dilute, Smoke and Van) .....	--	0949
<i>(Patched Tabby &amp; White [classic, mackerel, spotted], Tortoiseshell &amp; White, Blue-Cream &amp; White, Lavender-Cream &amp; White)</i>		
Blue-Cream (including Blue-Cream Smoke,.....	--	0951
<i>Lavender-Cream Smoke)</i>		
Bi-Color and Van Bi-Color.....	0960	0961
<i>[All Solid Color and White; All Tabby and White; Smoke (black, blue, chocolate, lavender, red and cream) and White; All Pointed and White]</i>		
Pointed (including lynx point) .....	0996	0997
ORC (Other Rex Colors).....	0990	0991
<i>(Any other color or pattern. 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.)</i>		

### DEVON REX

Solid.....	2902	2903
<i>(White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lavender, Cinnamon, Fawn)</i>		
Tabby.....	2944	2945
<i>(Any solid, tortie or silver color when combined with any tabby pattern (classic, mackerel, patched, spotted, ticked) excluding tabby and white.)</i>		
Bi-color.....	2960	2961
<i>(All colors and patterns (except white), with any amount of white in any distribution except lockets.)</i>		
ODRC (Other Devon Rex Colors) .....	2990	2991
<i>(Any other color or pattern as defined in the Show Standards and Other Devon Rex Colors and patterns.)</i>		

### EGYPTIAN MAU

Silver.....	0842	0843
Bronze.....	0844	0845
Smoke .....	0846	0847

### EUROPEAN BURMESE

Solid.....	1500	1501
<i>(Blue, Brown, Chocolate, Cream, Lilac, Red)</i>		
Parti-Color .....	--	1521
<i>(Blue-Tortie, Brown-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Lilac-Tortie)</i>		

### HAVANA BROWN

Brown .....	0408	0409
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### JAPANESE BOBTAIL

#### LONGHAIR DIVISION

Solid Colors .....	6700	6701
<i>(White, Black, Red, Blue, Cream)</i>		
Black & White .....	6760	6761
Red & White/Red Tabby & White/		
Red Patterned and White .....	6762	6763
<i>(red &amp; white areas may have tabby striping or spotting)</i>		
Other Bi-Colors.....	6792	6793
<i>(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, Black Smoke and White, Blue Smoke and White, Red Smoke (Cameo) and White, Cream Smoke (Cream Cameo) and White.)</i>		



SHORTHAIR DIVISION

Blue-Eyed White.....	0600	0601
Copper-Eyed White .....	0602	0603
Odd-Eyed White .....	0604	0605
Blue .....	0606	0607
Black .....	0608	0609
Red.....	0610	0611
Cream .....	0614	0615
Chinchilla Silver.....	0630	0631
Shaded Silver.....	0632	0633
Black Smoke.....	0634	0635
Blue Smoke.....	0638	0639
Silver & Blue Silver Tabby (includes patched tabbies).....	0636	0637
Silver & Blue Silver Mackerel Tabby.....	0636M	0637M
(includes patched tabbies)		
Red Tabby.....	0640	0641
Red Mackerel Tabby.....	0640M	0641M
Brown Tabby (includes patched tabbies).....	0644	0645
Brown Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies).....	0644M	0645M
Blue Tabby (includes patched tabbies).....	0652	0653
Blue Mackerel Tabby (includes patched tabbies).....	0652M	0653M
Cream Tabby .....	0654	0655
Cream Mackerel Tabby.....	0654M	0655M
Tortoiseshell.....	- -	0647
Calico/Tortoiseshell & White.....	- -	0649
(Calico, Tortoiseshell & White [White with Black & Red], Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream & White [White with Blue & Cream])		
Blue-Cream.....	- -	0651
Bi-Color.....	0660	0661
[All recognized Manx solid colors with the addition of white, With the exception of Calico, Dilute Calico, Tortoiseshell & White, Blue Cream & White]		
Tabby & White .....	0692	0693
[All recognized Manx tabby colors and patterns with the Addition of white]		
OMC (Other Manx Colors).....	0690	0691
(Any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern, or these combinations with white, etc. 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.		

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Tawny Spotted.....	0208	0209
Cinnamon Spotted .....	0210	0211
Chocolate Spotted.....	0216	0217
Dilute Spotted.....	0240	0241
(Blue, Fawn, Lavender)		
Ebony Silver Spotted .....	0212	0213
Cinnamon Silver Spotted.....	0220	0221
Chocolate Silver Spotted.....	0226	0227
Dilute Silver Spotted.....	0232	0233
(Blue Silver, Fawn Silver, Lavender Silver)		

ORIENTAL

LONGHAIR DIVISION

Solid Color Class .....	4300	4301
(Blue, Chestnut, Cinnamon, Cream, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Red, White)		
Shaded Class.....	4332	4333
(Blue Silver, Chestnut Silver, Cinnamon Silver, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo], Ebony Silver, Fawn Silver, Lavender Silver, Parti-Color Silver, Red Silver [Cameo], Blue, Golden, Chestnut Golden, Cinnamon Golden, Cream Golden, Ebony Golden, Fawn Golden, Lavender Golden, Parti-Color Golden, Red Golden)		
Smoke Class .....	4334	4335
(Blue, Red [Cameo], Cream [Dilute Cameo], Chestnut, Cinnamon, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Parti-Color Smoke)		
Classic Tabby Class.....	4336C	4337C

(Blue, Blue-Silver, Blue Patched, Blue-Silver Patched, Chestnut, Chestnut-Silver, Chestnut Patched, Chestnut- Silver Patched, Cinnamon, Cinnamon-Silver, Cinnamon Patched, Cinnamon-Silver Patched, Ebony, Ebony-Silver, Ebony Patched, Ebony-Silver Patched, Fawn, Fawn-Silver, Fawn Patched, Fawn-Silver Patched, Lavender, Lavender- Silver Lavender Patched, Lavender-Silver Patched, Red, Red-Silver [Cameo], Cream, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo] in the Classic Tabby Pattern.)		
Mackerel Tabby Class.....	4336M	4337M
(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Spotted Tabby Class .....	4336S	4337S
(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Ticked Tabby Class.....	4336T	4337T
(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Parti-Color Class.....	- -	4347
(Blue-Cream, Chestnut-Tortie, Cinnamon-Tortie, Ebony- Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Lavender-Cream)		
Pointed Color Class.....	4430	4431
(Red, Cream, Cinnamon, Fawn, Seal Lynx, Chocolate Lynx, Blue Lynx, Lilac Lynx, Red Lynx, Cream Lynx, Cinnamon Lynx, Fawn Lynx, Seal-Tortie Lynx, Chocolate-Tortie Lynx, Blue-Cream Lynx, Lilac-Cream Lynx, Cinnamon-Tortie Lynx, Fawn-Cream Lynx, Seal-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Lilac-Cream Cinnamon-Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Shaded, Smoke, and Silver Lynx)		
Bi-Color Class.....	4390	4391
(All established colors and patterns for parti-colors, shadeds, smokes, solids, tabbies and pointed with the addition of white.)		
IMPORTANT: Effective with Oriental litters born after June 15, 2010, no Oriental litters (longhair division) that result from a pointed to pointed breeding (i.e. any cross between a pointed Oriental (shorthair division) and Siamese or a Colorpoint Shorthair or a pointed Oriental), will be permitted. Such matings will not be registerable for litters born after June 15, 2010		

SHORTHAIR DIVISION

Solid Color Class .....	2300	2301
(Blue, Chestnut, Cinnamon, Cream, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Red, White)		
Shaded Class.....	2332	2333
(Blue Silver, Chestnut Silver, Cinnamon Silver, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo], Ebony Silver, Fawn Silver, Lavender Silver, Parti-Color Silver, Red Silver [Cameo], Blue, Golden, Chestnut Golden, Cinnamon Golden, Cream Golden, Ebony Golden, Fawn Golden, Lavender Golden, Parti-Color Golden, Red Golden)		
Smoke Class.....	2334	2335
(Blue, Red [Cameo], Cream [Dilute Cameo], Chestnut, Cinnamon, Ebony, Fawn, Lavender, Parti-Color Smoke)		
Classic Tabby Class .....	2336C	2337C
(Blue, Blue-Silver, Blue Patched, Blue-Silver Patched, Chestnut, Chestnut-Silver, Chestnut Patched, Chestnut- Silver Patched, Cinnamon, Cinnamon-Silver, Cinnamon Patched, Cinnamon-Silver Patched, Ebony, Ebony-Silver, Ebony Patched, Ebony-Silver Patched, Fawn, Fawn-Silver, Fawn Patched, Fawn-Silver Patched, Lavender, Lavender- Silver Lavender Patched, Lavender-Silver Patched, Red, Red-Silver [Cameo], Cream, Cream Silver [Dilute Cameo] in the Classic Tabby Pattern.)		
Mackerel Tabby Class.....	2336M	2337M
(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Spotted Tabby Class .....	2336S	2337S
(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Ticked Tabby Class.....	2336T	2337T
(see colors under Classic Tabby Class)		
Parti-Color Class.....	- -	2347
(Blue-Cream, Chestnut-Tortie, Cinnamon-Tortie, Ebony- Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Lavender-Cream)		
Pointed Color Class.....	2430	2431
(Red, Cream, Cinnamon, Fawn, Seal Lynx, Chocolate		

Lynx, Blue Lynx, Lilac Lynx, Red Lynx, Cream Lynx, Cinnamon Lynx, Fawn Lynx, Seal-Tortie Lynx, Chocolate-Tortie Lynx, Blue-Cream Lynx, Lilac-Cream Lynx, Cinnamon-Tortie Lynx, Fawn-Cream Lynx, Seal-Tortie, Chocolate-Tortie, Blue-Cream, Lilac-Cream Cinnamon-Tortie, Fawn-Cream, Shaded, Smoke, and Silver Lynx)  
 Bi-Color Class .....2390 2391  
 (All established colors and patterns for parti-colors, shadeds, smokes, solids, tabbies and pointeds with the addition of white.)

IMPORTANT: Effective with Oriental litters born after June 15, 2010, no Oriental litters (shorthair division) that result from a pointed to pointed breeding (i.e. any cross between a pointed Oriental (shorthair division) and Siamese or a Colorpoint Shorthair or a pointed Oriental), will be permitted. Such matings will not be registerable for litters born after June 15, 2010.

### RUSSIAN BLUE

Blue .....0500 0501

### SCOTTISH FOLD LONGHAIR DIVISION

Solid Color .....8400 8401  
 (White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream)  
 Tabby .....8436 8437  
 (Silver, Blue-Silver, Brown, Blue, (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched), Red, Cream, Cameo, Cream Cameo (classic, mackerel, spotted and ticked))  
 Tabby & White .....8492 8493  
 (Silver, Blue-Silver, Brown, Blue, (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched), Red, Cream, Cameo, Cream Cameo (classic, mackerel, spotted and ticked) with the addition of white)  
 Parti-Color & Bi-Color .....8446 8447  
 (Tortoiseshell, Tortoiseshell & White, Calico, Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream, Blue-Cream & White and all established solid (unbrindled) colors with the addition of white)  
 Other Scottish Fold Colors .....8428 8429  
 (Chinchilla Silver, Shaded Silver, Chinchilla Golden, Shaded Golden, Shell Cameo, Shaded Cameo, Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Cameo Smoke, these colors with white, and any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern, or these last three in combination with white.)

### SHORTHAIR DIVISION

Solid Color .....8800 8801  
 (White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream)  
 Tabby .....8436 8437  
 (Silver, Blue-Silver, Brown, Blue, (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched), Red, Cream, Cameo, Cream Cameo (classic, mackerel, spotted and ticked))  
 Tabby & White .....8492 8493  
 (Silver, Blue-Silver, Brown, Blue, (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched), Red, Cream, Cameo, Cream Cameo (classic, mackerel, spotted and ticked) with the addition of white)  
 Parti-Color & Bi-Color .....8446 8447  
 (Tortoiseshell, Tortoiseshell & White, Calico, Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream, Blue-Cream & White and all established solid (unbrindled) colors with the addition of white)  
 Other Scottish Fold Colors .....8428 8429  
 (Chinchilla Silver, Shaded Silver, Chinchilla Golden, Shaded Golden, Shell Cameo, Shaded Cameo, Black Smoke, Blue Smoke, Cameo Smoke, these colors with white, and any other color or pattern with the exception of those showing evidence of hybridization resulting in the colors chocolate, lavender, the Himalayan pattern, or these last three in combination with white.)

### SELKIRK REX LONGHAIR DIVISION

All Championship Colors .....5700 5701

(All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)

### SHORTHAIR DIVISION

All Championship Colors .....4700 4701  
 (All accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards.)

### SIAMESE

Chocolate Point .....0270 0271  
 Seal Point .....0272 0273  
 Lilac Point .....0274 0275  
 Blue Point .....0276 0277

### SINGAPURA

Sepia .....2700 2701

### SOMALI

Ruddy .....1380 1381  
 Red .....1382 1383  
 Blue .....1384 1385  
 Fawn .....1386 1387

### SPHYNX

Solid .....5000 5001  
 (Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lavender, Cinnamon, Fawn, White)  
 Bi-Color .....5060 5061  
 (Any color or pattern with White)  
 Other Sphynx Colors .....5090 5091  
 (Any other color or pattern)

### TONKINESE

Blue Mink .....2600 2601  
 Champagne Mink .....2602 2603  
 Natural Mink .....2606 2607  
 Platinum Mink .....2608 2609  
 Pointed Class .....2636 2637  
 (Natural, Blue, Champagne, Platinum)  
 Solid Class .....2626 2627  
 (Natural, Blue, Champagne, Platinum)

## Article XXIX

### ANY OTHER VARIETY (AOV) CLASSES

American Curl—Longhair Division .....8198 8199  
 American Curl—Shorthair Division .....8298 8299  
 American Shorthair .....0798 0799  
 American Wirehair .....9998 9999  
 Balinese (including shorthairs) .....1298 1299  
 Balinese-Javanese (including shorthairs) .....2098 2099  
 British Shorthair .....2598 2599  
 Colorpoint Shorthair .....2298 2299  
 (Seal Point, Blue Point, Chocolate Point, Lilac Point)  
 Cornish Rex .....0998 0999  
 Devon Rex .....2998 2999  
 Egyptian Mau .....0848 0849  
 Exotic .....7798 7799  
 Havana Brown .....0418 0419  
 Japanese Bobtail – Longhair Division .....6798 6799  
 (Colorpointed, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), any of these 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. 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.)  
 Japanese Bobtail—Shorthair Division .....6698 6699



(Colorpointed, Chocolate, Lilac (Lavender), any of these 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. 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.)

Maine Coon .....	1798	1799
Manx-Longhair Division.....	1698	1699
Manx-Shorthair Division .....	0698	0699
Norwegian Forest Cat .....	9098	9099
Ocicat.....	0248	0249

(Excepting those exhibiting characteristics specifically listed as a disqualifying feature, all non-spotted or non-agouti representatives of the breed to include classic tabby, ticked tabby, solid (with or without ghost markings) and smoke.)

Persian-Solid Division .....	0198	0199
Persian-Silver & Golden Division .....	1198	1199
Persian-Smoke & Shaded Division .....	1394	1395
Persian - Tabby Division.....	1498	1499
Persian-Parti-Color Division .....	1496	1497
Persian-Calico & Bi-Color Division .....	1396	1397
Persian-Himalayan Division .....	3298	3299
Scottish Fold-Longhair Division .....	8498	8499
Scottish Fold-Shorthair Division.....	8898	8899
Selkirk Rex-Longhair Division .....	5798	5799
Selkirk Rex-Shorthair Division .....	4798	4799
Somali.....	1398	1399
Tonkinese.....	2698	2699
Turkish Angora.....	1898	1899

### Article XXX

#### PROVISIONAL BREEDS

##### BURMILLA Color Class Numbers

All Colors (Longhair and Shorthair) .....	4500	4501
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(Both Shorthair Specialty Ring)

### Article XXXI

#### MISCELLANEOUS BREEDS

The breed(s) listed below, if any, are eligible for entry in this division. Any breed accepted for CFA registration, but not listed below, is also eligible for entry in this division immediately upon its acceptance for registration.

Chinese Li Hua .....	0510	0511
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(Shorthair Specialty Ring)

### Article XXXII

#### HOUSEHOLD PETS NUMBERS

Household Pets .....	0892	0893
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### Article XXXIII

#### RULES VIOLATIONS/DISQUALIFICATIONS

**33.01** A Cat or kitten shown in the wrong class or under incorrect name, ownership, or registration number may be disqualified by the Central Office and any wins voided.

**33.02** A cat or kitten for which an entry form was not submitted prior to the close of entries is subject to disqualification. A cat or kitten being exhibited must match the entry form which was submitted for entry to the show.

**33.03** After the show committee has determined that sufficient evidence of illness exists, the show manager has the responsibility to order the immediate removal of any sick cat or kitten. Such cat or kitten will be entitled to all prizes allotted to it prior to its removal.

**33.04** An exhibitor must not exhibit a cat transported by an officiating judge if the cat was transported in conjunction with travel related to the judging assignment. A cat or kitten transported to the show by an officiating judge is subject to disqualification.

**33.05** Any exhibitor, judge, clerk or show committee member suspecting any cat or kitten of having fleas, ear mites or any contagious or infectious illness shall report same to the show manager. The show manager must convene a meeting of the show committee to determine if there is sufficient evidence to require the cat or kitten to be removed from the show hall. It is the duty of the show committee to investigate all such allegations and decide the appropriate action. Information from the complainant, personal observation by one or more of the committee members, and consultation with others of the committee's choosing such as an officiating judge or veterinarian exhibitor shall be taken into consideration, then the determination will be made by a majority vote of the show committee. If the determination is made for removal, the cat or kitten, along with all other exhibits belonging to the same exhibitor, being agented by that exhibitor, or traveling from that exhibitors primary residence with that exhibitor must be removed to an area outside of the benching and judging rooms. Re-entry of said cats into the show hall will be allowed only if the suspect cat or kitten is examined by a veterinarian licensed in the state in which the show is held and a written certification of health is obtained and presented to the show committee. It shall be the responsibility of the owner or agent of the suspected entry to obtain the veterinarian's services.

**33.06** A cat or kitten may be disqualified in all rings if removed from the show room contrary to the provisions in these rules.

**33.07** Any entry that is entered contrary to these rules will be disqualified in all rings by the show committee. The judge will disqualify any entry (including declawed cats and kittens and adult, whole males that do not have two descended testicles) entered contrary to these rules if such an entry has not previously been disqualified. The Central Office will disqualify in all rings and void any wins of any entry that is entered contrary to these rules should such entry not have been previously disqualified.

**33.08** Cats and kittens that are disqualified are not eligible for any award in the ring where such disqualification applies with the exception of cats removed by the veterinarian under rules 9.02 and 33.05.

**33.09** A protest asserting an alleged violation of these rules by any show official, judge, exhibitor or member club may be made by an exhibitor, an officiating judge or by a member of a member club and may first be made to the show committee in writing at the show or within thirty (30) days following the show. The show committee shall endeavor to gather all pertinent facts concerning the alleged violation(s) and in the event the show committee deems the protest to be supported by substantial

evidence, the written protest and all relevant matter gathered by the show committee shall be forwarded to the CFA Executive Board. However, the person(s) asserting the alleged violation may opt to bring the facts directly to the CFA Protest Committee.

The Executive Board may, at its option, proceed to hear the protest after giving the party charged due notice and opportunity to be heard in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution. Upon a finding of guilty, the Board shall prescribe punishment in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

**33.10** Whether or not a formal protest has been made, the CFA Executive Board shall have full power to inquire into any alleged violation(s) of these rules by any show official, judge, exhibitor, or member club provided that notice and opportunity to be heard is first given to the party charged.

**33.11** SHOW PRODUCING SERVICES: In the event that any CFA member club shall be charged, by protest or otherwise, with a violation of these rules arising out of the act or omission of a show producing service retained by such member club in connection with the production of a CFA licensed show, the following apply:

a. If the show producing service involved was a licensed show producing service, as defined in rule 1.26, and the violation, act or omission was not the result of any conduct of the member club itself, such member club shall not be held to be in violation of these rules.

b. If the show producing service involved was not a licensed show producing service as defined in rule 1.26, the acts or omissions of the show producing service shall be deemed to have been the acts or omissions of the member club and such member club shall be subject to such disciplinary action as the Board may determine, pursuant to Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

c. In the event that the provisions of paragraph (1) above are found to be applicable in connection with a particular charged violation, the terms, conditions and provisions of Article XV of the CFA Constitution shall apply to the licensed show producing service, in the same manner and to the same extent as would be the case with respect to the CFA member club involved.

d. In the event that the provisions of paragraph (2) above are found to be applicable in connection with a particular charged violation, the terms, conditions and provisions of Article XV of the CFA Constitution shall also be applicable as to the individual or group of individuals whose acts or omissions are found by the Board to have been the cause of the charged violation, notwithstanding any action taken with respect to the CFA member club involved.

## Article XXXIV

### NATIONAL/REGIONAL/DIVISIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM

#### Scoring Procedures/Policies & Awards INTRODUCTION

The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. Provides a program through which pedigreed cats/kittens compete for awards on a national/divisional/regional level. All eligible cats competing in CFA sanctioned shows throughout the world are automatically included in the program.

Awards are based on points accumulated throughout the show season subject to the rules and limitations set forth below. Points are based on official counts of cats competing and wins achieved at each show.

The CFA show season starts with the first weekend in May and ends with the last full weekend in April. Important: see information regarding kitten scoring under SCORING section.

#### ELIGIBILITY

1. Championship & Premiership classes - all cats entered and competing in accordance with the show rules.
2. Kitten classes - all kittens entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually registered and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with the fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the kitten to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show (this fee does not include any expedited registration service fee, if applicable). It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the kitten's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied.
3. Cats owned by individuals currently under disciplinary suspension are ineligible to participate in this program.
4. Cats competing in the Veteran classes are ineligible to participate in this program.

#### SHOW POINTS

##### Official Show Count

1. For each show, official show counts are determined for each category in which a judge has given finals awards. These categories might include, but are not limited to, allbreed kittens, longhair kittens, shorthair kittens, allbreed championship, longhair championship, shorthair champion-ship, allbreed premiership, longhair premiership, and shorthair premiership.
2. The cats/kittens competing in each show are tallied within their category to establish the official show counts. Novices and AOVs are not counted in the official count.
3. A cat/kitten handled by a judge in one ring is counted as competing in all rings.

##### Eligible Wins

Points are awarded for the wins listed below.

1. Kitten classes – all finals awards as provided in the current show rules, best and 2nd best of breed/division. Points are awarded for only one win per ring, that which carries the most points.
2. Championship classes – all finals awards as provided in the current show rules, best and 2nd best of breed/division. Points are awarded for only one win per ring, that which carries the most points.
3. Premiership classes – all finals awards as provided in the current show rules, best and 2nd best of breed/division. Points are awarded for only one win per ring, that which carries the most points.

##### DETERMINATION OF SHOW POINTS

Points are awarded in the following manner based on the wins achieved in each ring and the official show count of cats/kittens in competition.

##### Eligible Wins

1. Best cat/kitten – one point for each cat/kitten defeated.
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Best cat/kitten – 95% of the points awarded to best cat/kit-ten, 3rd best cat/kitten 90%, 4th best 85%, 5th best 80%, etc.
3. Best of breed/division – one point for each cat defeated within the breed/division.

4. 2<sup>nd</sup> best of breed/division – 95% of the points awarded to best of breed/division.
5. Points achieved in individual rings are added to determine an entry's total points for the show.

#### SCORING

At the completion of the show season, a cat/kitten will be credited with the points from its highest 100 individual rings. A kitten will be credited with the points from its highest 40 individual rings earned as a kitten, to be credited in the show year in which its last full weekend of kitten eligibility falls, regardless of the show year in which it begins showing as a kitten.

If a cat is exhibited in shows totaling 100 rings or less (40 rings for kittens) total credited points will be the sum of total points earned.

All points credited must be earned while competing as a particular color. Cats/kittens that have earned points under more than one color description will only receive those points earned under the color description for which they were eligible and last shown (see show rule 5.11).

In order to be eligible for a regional award, a cat/kitten must be shown at least once in the region of final assignment (see regional assignment section).

Breed/Color specialty rings which provide a judging(s) beyond the number of judgments available to other entries will not be scored for National/Division/Regional points.

Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.

#### AWARDS

The awards presented each year are:

##### National Awards

Best—25th Best Cat\*: Trophy, Rosette

Best—25th Best Kitten\*: Trophy, Rosette

Best—25th Best Cat in Premiership (Alter)\*: Trophy, Rosette

Best – 10<sup>th</sup> Best Cat in Agility+: Rosette

\*The title of "National Winner (NW)" is limited to cats receiving the above \* awards.

+A minimum of 150 agility points are required for this award and there is no title associated with a national agility award.

Best of Breed/Division\*\*: Trophy, Rosette

\*\*The title of "Breed Winner (BW)" is limited to Championship cats receiving the above award (BEST of Breed/Division).

Second Best of Breed/Division: Trophy, Rosette

Third Best of Breed/Division: Trophy, Rosette

\*\*\*Best of Color: Certificate

\*\*\*Second Best of Color: Certificate

\*\*\*200 point minimum required for this award.

Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

A cat/kitten is credited for all national points earned under the scoring provisions regardless of any transfers of ownership. The owner(s) of record for the last show in which a cat earns points within a competitive category (i.e., kitten, championship, premiership) will be considered the owner for the purposes of any 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/Philippines/Vietnam/Brunei; Singapore; South or Central America, including the Caribbean nations; Thailand; and Taiwan.

#### International Division

For the above geographical areas, numbers of awards in each ~~are~~ are based on the following formula:

- 5-9 rings sponsored in the area = 1 award;
- 10-30 rings sponsored in an area = 3 awards;
- 31-44 rings sponsored in an area = 5 awards;
- 45-70 rings sponsored in an area = 10 awards;
- >70 rings sponsored in an area = 15 awards.

To be eligible for an award, in the International Division, cats must earn a minimum of the following: 50 points in championship, 30 points in kitten, and 25 points in premiership.

#### Awards are as follows:

Best Cat\*: Trophy

2nd-15th Best Cat, as appropriate\*: Certificate

Best Kitten\*: Trophy

2nd-15th Best Kitten, as appropriate\*: Certificate

Best Cat in Premiership\*: Trophy

2nd-15th Best Cat in Premiership, as appropriate\*: Certificate

\*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.

#### Hawaii Division Awards

Best Cat: Trophy

Best Kitten: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

#### Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-9 are:

Best-25th Best Cat\*

Best-25th Best Kitten\*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership\*

\*The title of "Regional Winner (RW)" is limited to cats receiving the above awards.

Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third

Best of Breed/Division.

Best of Color; Second Best of Color Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

Note: Regional/Divisional/Hawaii Agility Awards are at the discretion of the Regional Director, but will go no further than 10 deep and any cat earning the award must earn a minimum of 150 agility points for such award.

*Regional definition:* regions are based on the regions listed in CFA's constitution. To the extent not already provided in the constitution, regional assignments for scoring purposes may be made from time to time by the CFA Executive Board. To date, the CFA Board has ruled that exhibitors whose principal residence is in either Puerto Rico or the Bahamas will be scored in the Southern region.

Each CFA region, as well as Hawaii and the International division presents its own set of awards based on the points a cat receives using the rules outlined in the "Scoring" section, with the following exceptions:

1. All regional awards given in regions 1–7 are based only on points earned in regions 1–7 by exhibitors residing in regions 1–7. Cats may be shown in more than one of these regions and the points earned in shows outside the owner's region of residence will be included in the scoring process. No cat/kitten may receive awards in more than one of these regions.
2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned either in region 8, Taiwan, or Singapore by exhibitors residing in region 8.
3. All awards given in Hawaii or Region 9 are based only on points earned in Hawaii or Region 9 by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
4. Awards given in the International Division are based only on points earned in the International Division with the exception that cats whose residences are in Taiwan or Singapore may earn points in Region 8 as well.
5. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

#### Regional/Divisional Assignment

**IMPORTANT:** Although the rules in this section are numbered separately, they should be read and considered as one continuous rule.

1. Regional assignment is determined separately for each competitive category, i.e. kitten, championship, premier-ship.
2. a. Region/area of residence is assigned based on the region number listed in the last show in which the cat/kitten was entered and present prior to or on the first full show weekend in January (see #5, 6 & 7). In those cases where the cat/kitten did not earn points, the owner shall notify Central Office of the date and show where the cat/kitten was entered and present within 10 days of the first full show weekend in January.  
b. A "split season" kitten is assigned to the region/division which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points as a kitten.
3. The region listed in the catalog must be the site of the residence of the owner or any one of the co-owners. It is not necessary that the region listed in the catalog match the address contained in the official show records.
4. To be eligible for a regional award, a cat/kitten must be shown at least once in the competitive category in the region of final assignment. Exhibiting at the CFA International Cat Show does not satisfy this requirement.
5. No change to the regional assignment of a cat/kitten will be permitted after the first full show weekend in January (see #6, 7 & 8).
6. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the show at which a new region is listed (see #7).
7. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the last show in which the cat earns points prior to the first full show weekend in January (see #6).
8. A cat/kitten whose ownership has changed after the first full show weekend in January may continue to compete and earn points,

however, any awards achieved will be received by the owner(s) on CFA records as of the first full show weekend in January. Owner(s) who maintain residences in more than one region must identify by the first full show weekend in January the region in which the cat/kitten is to be assigned by listing the desired region of residence in the catalog of the last show in which the cat/kitten earns points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January. A cat/kitten whose owners' residence moves from one region to another after the first full show weekend in January will be assigned to the region where its owner(s) maintained a residence as of the first full show weekend in January.

9. A catalog correction may be made at a show to change the region listed in a catalog. The only acceptable proof(s) of a catalog correction are: a) that the master catalog received in the Central Office has been marked to indicate the change, or b) the exhibitor has a properly executed copy of a catalog correction request form.
10. a. A kitten is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of either: a) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten, or b) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten prior to and including the first full show weekend in January, whichever show (a or b) occurs first.  
b. A "split season" kitten is assigned to the region/division which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points as a kitten.
11. An adult cat is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January.
12. Changes in regional assignment are not permitted after the first full show weekend in January for any reason including a transfer of ownership.
13. The regional assignment for any cat/kitten which first scores points within a competitive category at a show occurring after the first full show weekend in January, will be the region listed in the catalog of the first show at which the cat/kitten earns points.

## Article XXXV FELINE AGILITY

- 35.01** The purpose of the Feline Agility Competition is to enhance the cat shows by providing a place for the cats to show their athletic ability. They will be judged on speed and accuracy in running the course.
- 35.02** Toys.
  - a. Laser lights are allowed, but only in the agility enclosure
  - b. Any cat toy is acceptable
- 35.03** Agility handlers are required to wear low heeled shoes.
  - a. It is the responsibility of the handler to be sure that he/she and the cat are physically able to run the course.
- 35.04** Scoring.
  - a. A maximum time of 4 minutes 30 seconds is allowed per run.
  - b. The time of the run will be determined using the number of minutes and seconds for the run rounded to the nearest 100<sup>th</sup>
  - c. The time is started when the cat's first paw touches the first obstacle and ends at the first paw's touching the floor after the last obstacle.
  - d. The cat will receive 15 points for each obstacle completed while running counter clock-wise. Bonus points will be added for cats who complete all obstacles in order within the maximum time limit (4 min. 30 sec).

e. The bonus will be figured by subtracting the cats' actual time from the maximum time allowed and added to the 150 points for completing all obstacles.

f. The total score will be the best of three runs for any one show. In the event of a tie, the cats involved will be given a run-off to determine the winner.

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24.03.....	28.01	28.01.....	10.16	38.03.....	8.12
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24.06.....	1.17 & 6.17	28.04.....	10.15	38.06.....	5.24
24.07.....	1.17 & 6.17	28.05.....	10.07	38.07.....	35.02
24.08.....	1.17 & 6.17	28.06.....	10.18	38.08.....	1.01 & 35.03
25.01.....	2.01	28.07.....	10.17	38.09.....	35.04
25.02.....	2.02	28.08.....	10.08	38.10.....	25.01

## RATIONALE FOR SHOW RULES CHANGES

*After agreeing to do a complete revision of the show rules, I went out to exhibitors via an e-mail and an article in CatTalk requesting input on what form that revision should take. By an overwhelming majority (four to one), we were requested to do a complete revamp of the rules and make them functionally oriented. In the last issue of CatTalk I described how that effort would work, and roughly went over each of the proposed show rule article headings. These show rules delete any old duplications, and are formatted to be functionally oriented.*

*Change text (underline/~~strikeout~~) is used where new rules proposals are included in these rules. If a sentence was restructured (subject/object reversal), change text is not used. Also, each of those proposed changes will be discussed in detail below, with the rational presented for each of those changes.*

**Hamza:** Monte, why don't we get to show rules? Go ahead. **Phillips:** As you are aware, back in February I was asked to revamp the entire set of show rules, which is what we did. We went out to everybody and solicited, "How would you like us to do this? Would you just like the duplications eliminated, or do you want us to do a complete revamp?" By a 4 to 1 margin, I got people that said, "Let's do a complete functional revamp", so that's what this is.

**Phillips:** You'll see basically Section I is definitions. It has been reorganized to be alphabetical, which is unusual, but that's the way it is now – alphabetical. Section II starts off with how you obtain your judges, and then it moves on basically to how you put on a show, up to and including the final part, where you send all the packages off and you handle the post-show stuff. After that come responsibilities of individuals. That has been formatted so that all the

responsibilities are either there or referenced, but we'll cover them as we go. Along the way, we have a few show rule request changes.

### ARTICLE I – DEFINITIONS

*This article was revised to put each of the definitions in alphabetical order, and to move terms defined later in the rules into this section (such as traditional date). There is one change proposal requested by Tracy Petty to revise the definition of weekend.*

**Rule 1.29: This change would re-define the first weekend of the month so that split months would not be the first weekend (i.e., the weekend of 7/8 would be the first weekend of the month, not the weekend of 30/1 or 31/1).**

**RATIONALE:** This proposal is requested by Tracy because some RDs and clubs think that the weekend of the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> is the first weekend of the month as it is the first full weekend of the month. Clubs are actually requesting changes to their traditional date to put their show on their traditional date because they don't understand that this is the second weekend of the month (and moving on 14/15 is the third, 21/22 is the fourth, and 28/29 is the fifth). The current definition of weekend puts the weekend of the 30<sup>th</sup>/1<sup>st</sup> as the first weekend of the month. This proposal would correct that. HOWEVER, it does lead to a complication. The show season, as currently defined in the show rules, is the last FULL weekend of April. That means when April 30<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, under the proposed approach the weekend of April 30/May 1 isn't in ANY month. It isn't the last weekend in April, and it isn't the first weekend in May. To address this show rule proposal redefines April/May so it matches the end-of-season definition. That makes for different definitions of a month for April and May vs. the other ten months of the year. As such, the Show Rules Committee is not in favor of this change. Two alternative approaches can be taken while still going with the approach Tracy requests, but they are not currently in this proposal. First, the show season can be re-defined to end on exactly April 30<sup>th</sup>, even if that is in the middle of a weekend. Shows over multiple days on that weekend would be considered in the new season, but shows on just that date would be in the old season [NOTE: The constitution just references the show rules to establish the show season, so there is no constitutional conflict with changing the definition of the end of the season in the show rules]. Alternatively, the season can be extended into May if the 30<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, but this may complicate central office's job of determining end-of-season award winners.

**Phillips:** The first one I'm going to hit is in Section I, and it's 1.29, the definition of a weekend. This proposal was written at Tracy's request, and it's at Tracy's request because the Show Rules Committee doesn't support this proposal, just to give you a head's up on that. Basically, the issue has to do with the weekend of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of a month, and the reason why I bring that one up is because clubs seem to think that's the first weekend of the month, when in reality it's really the second weekend of the month. Central Office had been treated it as the second weekend since time immemorial. They have always treated that strange weekend that's the 30<sup>th</sup>/1<sup>st</sup> or the 31<sup>st</sup>/1<sup>st</sup> as the first weekend of the next month, and that's the way the rules were originally written. The problem we have, if we make the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> the first weekend of the month (i.e., the first full weekend is the first weekend) is, what happens with April? April is the show season end, and the show season end is defined as the last full weekend of the month. So, what you have is, if April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup> exists, it's not in April. Under the new definition, it's not in May, either. So, you have to write the rule so that basically April is an outlier, which May an outlier, as well. So, we have one definition of a month for the months of June through March,

and a different definition of the month for April and May. That's why we don't think it's a good idea. **Hamza:** So Monte, you folks would consider leaving the traditional approach alone?

**Phillips:** That would be our approach, yeah. We would just leave it alone. We wouldn't change it at all. Maybe the clubs need to be advised that, in the old traditional date formats, when you talk about all these first weekend/second weekends, the 31<sup>st</sup>/1<sup>st</sup> is technically the first weekend.

**Hannon:** If the 1<sup>st</sup> falls on a Sunday, that's the first weekend regardless of what Saturday is.

**Hamza:** Right. So, going to Mark's point, we could always say the first Sunday would be the first weekend. **Hannon:** It's difficult, because otherwise Saturday could be the 28<sup>th</sup> or the 29<sup>th</sup> or the 30<sup>th</sup> or the 31<sup>st</sup>. **Hamza:** Go ahead Ginger. **Meeker:** I thought the definition of the traditional date weekends included the word "full". **Hannon:** I did, too. **Meeker:** So that like the 31<sup>st</sup>/1<sup>st</sup> into the new month would be considered a split weekend and it wouldn't be given as a T date.

**Hamza:** I think you have two different ideas here. I think you can have it be one way there, when you're talking about traditional dates, but I understand wanting to have it be unified. **Baugh:**

This is Loretta. **Hamza:** Go ahead Loretta. **Baugh:** For as long as I can remember, it has been spelled out that the last weekend of the show season is the last full weekend, meaning Saturday and Sunday. I'm more comfortable leaving it the way it was. I think it has worked for a long time. There really shouldn't be confusion. If it's a split weekend, it's just that – a split weekend. Normally, when that happens, it's the 5<sup>th</sup> weekend. We've set our scoring with the fact that the last weekend of the show season is a Saturday/Sunday weekend. I think we need to leave that alone. **Hamza:** I think we run into a lot of trouble trying to change that perception. **Wilson:** This is Annette. **Hamza:** Tracy and then Annette. **Petty:** I don't think anyone has ever had a problem with the last weekend of the show season being a full weekend. Everybody knows if it's a split weekend, it goes to the next season. The problem is, every other month of the year nobody looks at a calendar and says, "The first Saturday is the 7<sup>th</sup>, so that's actually the second weekend of the month." Every club that has a first weekend of the month, if they see that Saturday is the 7<sup>th</sup>,

that's the weekend they are going for. An illustration is – I haven't checked it recently, but I checked during the summer – September and December both start on a Sunday and every, single show with a traditional date had licensed on the wrong weekend, thinking that they were on the right weekend. **Hamza:** But do you understand what Monte is saying? **Petty:** Yeah, but I don't think we need to set the entire year based on the last weekend of the show season. **Hamza:** But if you set it up your way, you have the possibility of having a weekend that doesn't fall anywhere. **Petty:** What do you mean? **Hamza:** Unless you want to change the interpretation of the end of the show season. **Petty:** No, I don't want to change that. **Hamza:** You can't have it be one way up until the end of the show season, and have it be another way. As Monte explained, you run the risk of having a weekend that doesn't fit anywhere. **Hannon:** Then, you're going to have the traditional date problem that they brought up. **Petty:** I don't understand. I'm not seeing the problem. **Hannon:** The traditional date is based on what you're saying.

**Hamza:** Monte, you want to go through that scenario of how we lose a weekend? Then Annette. **Phillips:** OK. I'll use the end of the show season as the example, because that's the one that's applicable. Under the revised version here, where the first weekend of the month is the first full weekend (i.e., the 7<sup>th</sup> and the 8<sup>th</sup> becomes the first weekend), what do you do with the week of April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup>? It's not then the month of May, because that's not the first weekend because it's not the full weekend, and it's not the month of April, because April will end on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, the last full weekend of April per the definition of a show season. So, you have this

weekend hanging out there that's not in April and it's not in May. **Petty:** I have no problem moving that to May. That's the one exception that everybody's aware of. It's the other 11 months that I'm concerned with. **Shelton:** Jerry, this is Mike. **Hamza:** Annette and then Mike. Go ahead Annette. **Wilson:** I just have one suggestion. I don't see a definition here for show season. Maybe we should add that and we could address that particular scenario there. We all talk about show season, but it's not defined. **Phillips:** Show season is defined technically in the back where we talk about awards, which is where it's always been. **Wilson:** Maybe it should go in definitions. **Phillips:** The good news is, it's not defined in the Constitution, as others thought it was. The Constitution just references the rules. **Baugh:** Maybe it should go in there. **Hamza:** Mike. **Shelton:** Show season is defined in Article XXXIV, but I think it would be a good idea to put that definition up here at the front, but I don't see the problem really in having an exception for April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup>. We're not making an exception for all of April and May every season, we're making an exception on the long haul, average once every 7 years that April 30<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday. Any number of other months have 5<sup>th</sup> weekends that cannot be traditional dates. Once every 7 years, we can call April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup> the 0<sup>th</sup> weekend of May if we want to, or come up with some other term that's not a traditional date but it falls in the subsequent show season, not the end of the show season. **Hamza:** That's certainly doable. **Phillips:** This rule change will do that. **Shelton:** I think that's how we've treated it in the past. The calendar hasn't changed. What have we done before? April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup> has always been considered part of the subsequent show season, but the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> has still always been the first weekend, for purposes of traditional dates. Maybe we need to be explicit about that if we make this kind of a change, and say for the purposes of the traditional date rule, 1.28, May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> will still be considered the first weekend in May, and be explicit about that. **Hamza:** I think the important thing is to avoid confusion, because the one thing everybody does know is when the season ends. **Hannon:** I think Tracy's avoids the confusion. We just end up with one weekend every 7 years that's not a traditional date. **Hamza:** And you just push it into May. **Hannon:** Somebody will ask for it. **Hamza:** That works, but I think it needs to be spelled out so somebody's not trying to interpret it differently when it happens. **Hannon:** So, we're agreeable to going with Tracy's suggestion, right? **Hamza:** Yeah, with better explanations. I guess, Monte, that's the consensus of the board. We'll leave it the way it is, but we'll need a – **Hannon:** No, we're not leaving it the way it is. **Petty:** I think the way he has written it is correct. **Hannon:** We're going with Tracy's, which is not the way it is. Monte wants to leave it the way it is. The board wants to go with Tracy's idea. **Petty:** But he has also rewritten it in his proposed show rules, and I think the way he has rewritten it does cover it. **Hamza:** I think 1.29 is the way it should be. **Hannon:** OK. So, let's move on. **Anger:** Do we want to vote on that individually? **Hamza:** Unless we hit a real snag, we can just do it all at the end. **Eigenhauser:** I think there are going to be up and down votes on things. I think we need to vote on them one at a time. **Hamza:** See, I saw it differently. I thought it would be pretty standard, but we can do that, too. So, somebody make a motion. **Anger:** So moved. **Petty:** Second.

**Baugh:** What exactly are we voting on? **Hamza:** To accept 1.29 as written. **Baugh:** Without adding what we talked about? **Petty:** As rewritten. **Baugh:** Moving the definition of the show season. Shouldn't that be included, as well? **Phillips:** If you vote on 1.29 as written, what you're basically voting on is that the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> becomes the first full weekend of the month. For April, it's still the old way – the last weekend of the month of April is the last full weekend of the

month, which means April and May become exceptions to the overall rule. **Hannon:** No, May doesn't become an exception. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of May is still the first weekend of the show season, for show scheduling purposes. **Phillips:** May becomes the exception, you're right. **Anger:** Every 7 years. **Hamza:** It depends on how you look at it. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. Can Monte perhaps bring this back, rewording it so that only May is affected? Just stating that May can be a split weekend? That might clarify it a little bit better. **Phillips:** You would be adding a sentence, then, because it will be defined that way, as written. **Krzanowski:** Technically, April is not really affected. It's only May. The first weekend in May is the only one. **Phillips:** April is affected because you have to have the definition, which is that last sentence that says that for April, it ends on the last full weekend of the month. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Phillips:** So, April is affected. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** We've got a lot to go through today, so my suggestion was, on any of them that require tweaking, send them back to Monte and vote on them next month. **Hamza:** Alright. So, do you want to withdraw your motion on 1.29? **Anger:** I'll withdraw. **Hamza:** OK. **Baugh:** Can I make a quick comment on this? **Hamza:** Yeah. **Baugh:** When we're saying a weekend is a Friday/Saturday, Saturday/Sunday, Sunday/Monday, then we're turning around and saying that a weekend is Saturday and Sunday. I find it confusing. **Eigenhauser:** That's why we're going to let Monte fix it.

**Withdrawn.**

*ARTICLE II – INVITATIONS TO AND ACCEPTANCES BY JUDGES*

*The first thing a club does to put on a show is obtain judges, as the names of those judges and their contracts will be required to obtain a show license. All of the current rules dealing with obtaining judges were moved here. There are also three proposed changes associated with these rules, all of which were brought before the delegates and passed by greater than 2/3 majorities. Rationales for each are discussed below:*

<p><b>Rule 2.02: Annual Show Resolution 9 passed by 2/3, delete wording on sending CFA contract to non-CFA club</b></p>
<p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This resolution was passed at the annual, and deletes the paragraph involving sending a CFA contract to the non-CFA Association's Club for execution. The basis was that the other association may have its own contract format, and that would be more appropriate for contracting a judge who would be judging at their show.</p>

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** Are we done with 1.29? **Hamza:** Yeah. You're going to fix it. **Phillips:** OK. The next rule that actually involves changing something is in Section II, which is the invitations for judges. There's three rules involved here that were all voted on at the Annual Meeting and they all passed by 2/3. In a nutshell, what they do, 2.02 gets rid of the paragraph involving using a CFA contract for a non-CFA licensed show, i.e., the judge is actually going to work for some club that is in some other organization, not in CFA, and this is the rule that describes what the contract should look like. That was voted on at the Annual and they deleted all the stuff about the CFA contract. We might as well do these all three at once.

**Rule 2.05: Annual Show Resolution 10 passed by 2/3, allow for electronic transmission of contract.**

**RATIONALE:** This revision allows a judge to send the club an electronic copy of a contract for an accepted judging assignment. This makes transmission of contracts much quicker than using snail mail.

**Rule 2.07: Annual Show Resolution 11 passed by 2/3, reflects the option to electronically transmit judging contracts**

**RATIONALE:** Based on the passage of the revision to 2.05, this revises this rule to allow for the transmittal of the electronic judging contracts.

**Phillips:** 2.05 and 2.07 are both basically the same concept. It allows the judge to do his invitations and acceptances basically by electronic means – email/fax – whereas under the current rules, that’s technically not allowed, even though a lot of judges actually do that. So, this allows the judge basically to accept assignments via electronic transmissions. That was also voted on and accepted by the delegates by a greater than 2/3 vote. That’s all we’re changing in II.

**Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Yes George. **Eigenhauser:** I move we ratify. **Baugh:** Second, Loretta.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### *ARTICLE III – LICENSING THE SHOW*

*After lining up judges, the next thing a club does is license the show. The licensing rules were moved to this section as that is the next functional activity. In addition, there are two proposed rules changes, one from the annual meeting floor which was passed almost unanimously, and the other from the show rules committee.*

**Rule 3.03: Show Rules Committee request – add the country for the table of traditional date locations for shows held outside of the United States**

**RATIONALE:** There is some confusion on this rule and its compatriot 3.04 regarding traditional show dates. First, show rule 3.04 defines date as being two shows on the same weekend in two consecutive years. It does not care where those shows are held, as long as the same club uses the same date. On the other hand, rule 3.03 requires RD approval if a show is moved from where it was held the previous year. Since CFA is now a global organization, it is appropriate to add the country designation for shows held outside of the US.

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** OK, Article III. The first one is a Show Rules Committee request. It’s 3.03 and it has to do basically with adding the country on the table for traditional dates. In the past, we have only really dealt with the United States and Canada most of the time for traditional dates, but now that we have situations where clubs are putting on shows, and I’m thinking of Chatte Noir as a classic example, where one show may be in Moscow, Russia, the next show is in Zurich, Switzerland, the next show is in God knows what. The concern I have is, you may run into a situation where you have the same city name in more than

one country, and you won't know which country you're in if you just use the city name. So, it's basically just to add the country to the list. That's 3.03. **Baugh:** This is Loretta. So moved.

**Anger:** Second. **Hamza:** We've got a question. Tracy. **Petty:** This is just kind of technical. It says, "Where applicable, country." Every city is in a country. Do you want to say, "Outside the U.S."? **Hannon:** It says for shows held outside the U.S. **Phillips:** In the USA, you don't really need to say USA as long as you have the state. **Hamza:** Any other questions. I believe I have a motion and a second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Kallmeyer:** Monte, under b., I'll talk to you. We probably ought to change the "within 1,000 kilometer" rule, as well, because you can have a show in Hong Kong and go 10 miles and you're in mainland China, and none of the cats can be at either show. **Phillips:** OK. That's one to work on in the future. That gets touchy, too, because you've got to worry about Region 9, as well.

**Rule 3.04: Adding sponsors, annual show resolution 7 passed by 2/3; Veterans passed from the floor; show format changes after licensing proposed at request of Rachel**

**RATIONALE:** These rule changes do three things – First it allows a club to add additional sponsors to a license without Board or Central Office approval as long as Central Office is notified at least 30 days in advance of the show. Second, it provides that the addition of the Veterans class to a show is not considered a format change requiring approval. Third, it provides that a show date swap (Saturday only show goes to Sunday or Sunday only show goes to Saturday) is not a format change requiring approval. The latter two of these would require prompt notification of the affected judges, regional director, and central office, but would not require Board action to approve the change. These issues have come up in the past, and have been interpreted to sometimes require Board action, and sometimes not. This would make it uniform that the Board need not get involved.

**Phillips:** OK, 3.04 is the next one, and that has to do with another proposal that passed at the Annual by more than 2/3. It had to do with adding the terms "Veterans" and I believe the other one was "sponsors" to licenses when the show had already been licensed. Technically, you can't do something to a show that's already licensed. This allows you to add the Veterans Class and add sponsors. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Eigenhauser:** On 3.04, there are really 3 separate motions here and I would like to vote on them separately because I'm in favor of two of them and not in favor of one of them. I'm fine with adding sponsors at the last minute. I'm fine with adding Veterans at the last minute. I'm not good with changing the day of the show at the last minute. Originally, the rule was, when you collapse from a 2 day show to a back-to-back, you didn't need board or Central Office approval because the exhibitors are going to be there both days anyway and didn't really change it. Changing from a Saturday show to a Sunday show the weekend before the show is not something that should be done without approval. That's just too big a change for me. **Phillips:** Believe it or not, George, I think we just did that earlier. I can't remember the exact month that Rachel sent the email, but it's already happened once. **Eigenhauser:** I don't think that should be done without some sort of approval. Once the show is licensed for Saturday, it should be on Saturday unless there's approval to change it to Sunday. I don't think that should be done unsupervised. **Hamza:** We're going to



vote on these one at a time anyway, so why don't we get a motion. **Eigenhauser:** I'm going to move that we do the co-sponsoring part. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Hamza:** So, now we're to the part – **Eigenhauser:** Let's take care of the other non-controversial one. I move we allow the adding of Veterans, too. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Hamza:** So, you've heard George's concern. Getting board approval for a change like this, or Executive Committee approval, is probably not a bad idea. **Hannon:** George, do you want to make that motion? **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carol. **Krzanowski:** I agree with George. I think 30 days before a show, changing a date from a Saturday to a Sunday or vice versa could be a problem for exhibitors who entered and they have a commitment on the other day of that weekend. **Hamza:** And it may be a problem for a judge, as well. You would think that if they had a date locked in to judge, they may have had some other commitment, as well, so I think if there was an extenuating circumstance, at the very least Executive Committee would need to hear it, or the board, depending on how last minute it was. George, you want to make a motion? **Eigenhauser:** Yeah. I move we adopt it, reserving the right to vote no. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

**Anger:** Can I ask a question, please? **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Anger:** My name was on this. Was this a board motion that I informed you of? **Phillips:** This was an event that occurred. You sent me an email. I forget the exact month, but this was a club that was in, I believe, the International Division that was having a Saturday-only show that decided to make it a Sunday-only show. **Anger:** I don't think it was me personally. That was the result of a board motion and I just let you know about it. **Hamza:** The names aren't going to stay in the final version, I hope.

#### ARTICLE IV – ANNOUNCING THE SHOW

*Once the show is licensed, the next thing the club needs to do is announce/advertise. In this rule, the term show announcement has been uniformly replaced with the term show flyer as a proposed rules change. In addition, the show rules committee proposes one additional item that should be included in the flyer.*

<b>Rule 4.01.n – Special fee requirements imposed by the club need to be specified in the flyer</b>
<b>RATIONALE:</b> While 4.01.n requires the flyer to note if you must pay cash at the door, it doesn't cover the situation where some clubs impose a \$5.00 or higher fee if you pay at the door. Similarly, virtually every club imposes a fee for a returned check. This rule just puts those fees into the flyer so all are aware of them in advance.

**Phillips:** The next one I have is 4.01.n and it's basically the addition of a sentence and revision of l. as well, to address the situation that occurs with clubs that now charge extra for pay at the door or if you're going to enter by fax, it's going to cost you X amount of dollars for the fax. We would like to make sure that that's on the flyer. That's what this rule is about – just to make sure that that's on the flyer. **Eigenhauser:** George will move. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 4.02 – Housekeeping to change “show announcement” to “show flyer” wherever it appears.**

**Hamza:** I hate to be a stickler, Monte, but we skipped over 4.02. **Anger:** It wasn't in the summary. **Phillips:** 4.02, I guess we could talk about that. That's a housekeeping issue. Basically everywhere the word “announcement” is used – **Hamza:** We don't have to talk about it. We just have to have a motion, because we decided to do these one by one. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. I move we change “show announcement” to “show flyer” wherever it appears. **Baugh:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

#### ARTICLE V – ENTERING THE SHOW

*The next function is to enter the show. Eligibility requirements for entry, the entry process, how entries are handled, etc., are all moved into this article from throughout several other locations in the show rules. This puts everything you need to know about entering in one place. The show rules committee proposes four additional changes to the rules in this section as follows:*

**Rule 5.13 – Clean up wording to reflect an entry requirement vs. a showing requirement**

**RATIONALE:** As currently worded, this rule describes when a cat/kitten may be shown. The revised wording keeps the same requirement, but describes it in terms of entering the show. It is essentially a housekeeping issue.

**Phillips:** The next one is 5.13. Basically, what we have right now is a requirement on entries that talks about what the cat can do as far as competing. It makes more sense to talk about it as an entry requirement, as opposed to a competition requirement because competition is technically part of being judged, so that basically this is just a revision of the wording to make sure that it's clear that we're talking about entering the show, as opposed to competing in the show. This is the entry section. [transcript goes to 4.02 above]

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte, I'm sorry for backing you up like that. **Phillips:** This is a competition requirement but it was in the entry section. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** My understanding of the original reason for this show rule is, we didn't want cats competing in too many shows, it would stress them out, it would be detrimental to the welfare of the cat. I don't care if they enter 1,000 shows, though. This was always a physically competing rule. This isn't just a housekeeping change. This fundamentally alters how we enter cat shows. The way I read the rule as it's now written is, it would outlaw double

entering cat shows. If that's what this rule is intended to do, that's the kind of change I think needs to come from the clubs, because there are a lot of clubs that make money off cats that double enter. **Phillips:** No, that's not what it's intended to do. **Eigenhauser:** Then how does this not prohibit double entering a show? **Baugh:** This is Loretta. I read it the same way George does. **Petty:** It says, *if such entry will result in it competing*. It would have to be at two shows at the same time, to do that. **Eigenhauser:** But it's spoken of in terms of entering the show, not where you actually compete. It prohibits you from entering a show that would result in you being – you're not eligible for entry. **Hamza:** Are you seeing that, Monte? **Phillips:** I see his point. The other option, of course, would be to move the rule completely and take it out of the entry requirements. **Kallmeyer:** And then just say that *No cat or kitten may compete in more than -*. **Eigenhauser:** Put it back the way it was, but move it to a better place. **Phillips:** That's what I think we will do. **Hamza:** Alright. So, you'll have that for next meeting? **Phillips:** Yeah, that will be next meeting.

**Withdrawn.**

**Rule 5.16 – Revises the cut-off time for accepting Temporary Registration Number requests**

**RATIONALE:** As currently worded, an exhibitor has right up to the start of judging to submit a TRN request. In other words, it can be done as late as 8:59 am for a show where judging starts at 9:00. We feel this gives the entry clerk insufficient time to complete the TRN process, which includes changing the cat's designation in all of the judges' books to a CH/PR from Novice. The latter can't be done via the absentee/transfer sheet, as it most likely has already been sent to the rings as of the end of check-in. We propose to make the new cutoff time for TRN requests the end of check-in, so the absentee/transfer sheet CAN be used to update the judges' books.

**Hamza:** Go ahead. **Phillips:** OK. 5.16 has to do with temporary registration numbers – our favorite topic. Basically what this does is change the timing of when you can and can't do a temporary registration number. Under the current rule, they have right up until the beginning of judging. This basically takes that time frame and puts it to the time when you have announced the end of check-in. Those are two different times. If you look at most show announcements – I'll just use a classic one, you'll see judging starts at 9 a.m. but check-in ends at 8:30. What this would do is change that time from what would now be 9 a.m. to 8:30. **Hamza:** That's reasonable. Can I get a motion? **Baugh:** Loretta makes the motion. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 5.19 – Housekeeping to add “enter and” show.**

**Petty:** 5.19 we skipped. **Hamza:** I guess we skipped 5.19. **Hannon:** It was housekeeping. They just added a word. **Hamza:** So, can we just get a quick motion and then we'll come back? **Baugh:** So moved. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 5.30 – Adds wording that matches guidance already promulgated to entry clerks on handling TRNs**

**RATIONALE:** We feel that it makes more sense to address the handling of TRNs in the show rules rather than in a guidance document sent out to entry clerks. This revision incorporates that current guidance and puts it in the show rules for everyone to access. It also corrects the process to match what actually occurs with TRN number generation. Central Office provides them to the entry clerks in advance, the entry clerk does not need to request them as stated in the current version of the rule.

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** 5.30 is just a revision of the same issue for entry clerks. Right now it's the entry clerk that really handles TRNs, not so much the master clerk. So, this changes that, to make that clear. It basically puts into play the guidance that we passed back in, I think it was August. Maybe it was July. No, I think it was August, on the revision of the TRN policy. This codifies what we have now as guidance that I think the Central Office put out to the entry clerks in a 2 or 3 page email. **Kallmeyer:** Move to accept. **Baugh:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 5.34 – Count Manipulation**

**RATIONALE:** At the February Board meeting there was considerable discussion on the issue of manipulating counts, with the outcome being a policy statement sent out via the CFA Newsletter. In those minutes, some Board members expressed a concern that the policy would be forgotten by the time it was germane the following show seasons. This would put that policy into the rules thus alleviating the need to repeat it every few months.

**Hamza:** Go ahead. **Phillips:** The last one in this section, 5.34, you had a long discussion back in February which I didn't find out about until about a month ago regarding count manipulation, and the policy statement was issued way back when. This codifies the policy statement.

**Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** This actually brings up another issue that I wanted to talk to Monte about. The rule against unsportsmanlike conduct used to be a separately numbered rule and it has now been moved up into the prologue. I don't see it anyplace else. From a practical matter, when people are doing protests, they don't read the prologue. They look for numbered rules. Even with the problems we have now with things we've already put up in the prologue about adhering to the laws of the country and not violating their quarantines and things like that, nobody knows the prologue is there. That's just something exhibitors never even see. So, I was wondering, could you come back next time with moving unsportsmanlike conduct somewhere into a numbered rule? I think it would be easier for people to see, and I think it would be easier for people to cite it when they're doing protests, and then cross-reference this rule and that rule together to each other, since they both discuss aspects of unsportsmanlike conduct. **Phillips:** The reason it was put in the prologue was basically because it's applicable to everybody, without exception. I guess we could put it in definitions. **Eigenhauser:** Or make prologue Article I, and make Definitions Article II. **Phillips:** We could

do that. **Eigenhauser:** The way it is right now, people don't see it. **Phillips:** I don't have any problem at all with that. Make it Article I and then just renumber everything and move it down one number. **Hamza:** Is that good for you, George? **Eigenhauser:** That works for me.

**Hannon:** Did we approve 5.34? **Hamza:** No. We're coming to it. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Kallmeyer:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

#### ARTICLE VI – PRE-SHOW DOCUMENT PREPARATION

*Now that entries are in and the show is closed, three sets of documents need to be prepared, and those are addressed in this rule. Specifically, the show schedule, judges books, and catalogs (Master Clerk condensed and main show catalog for exhibitors). All of the rules associated with these documents are moved here. There are two proposals for changes here, with one affecting two rules. First, the numbering order is revised to indicate that it need not be sequential in accordance with the passed resolution from the floor at the annual meeting. Second, the responsibility for preparation of the data disk and judges books is shifted from the Show Secretary to the Entry Clerk, who actually does the work. The show catalog is already under the entry clerk.*

#### **Rule 6.02 & 6.10 – Revises wording to indicate catalog numbering is not necessarily sequential**

**RATIONALE:** As noted in the rational for the floor resolution that passed at the annual, some entry clerk software is set up for 6X6 shows to allow an exhibitor to keep the same catalog number for both shows. The effect of this is that for each show, there are cases where numbers are skipped. This rule change will make it clear that this practice is allowed.

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** The next one is 6.02, which is kind of a policy statement that was voted on at the Annual Meeting regarding sequential numbering versus just numbering in numerical order. The issue had to do with some entry clerk software, and I can't remember whose it is, where on the 6x6 shows when they have a show on Saturday and a show on Sunday, they produce one catalog and it uses the same number for the cat on Saturday and Sunday, which means that if your cat is entered on Saturday but not on Sunday, or vice versa – if it's entered on Sunday but not on Saturday – for the other show, that number doesn't exist. It's skipped. 6.02 allows that to occur, in rule format. We put that in as a policy statement and it was passed on the floor by greater than a majority. That's basically what that's about, and that applies to 6.02 and 6.10. **Kallmeyer:** So moved. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rules 6.02 & 6.03 – places requirement for sending CFA Data Disk and Preparing Judges Books to Entry Clerk instead of Show Secretary**

**RATIONALE:** In reality, it is the entry clerk who prepares all of the judges' books, and the CFA data disk for central office. All entry clerk software has a provision for electronic shipment of the data disk to central office, and that is done by the entry clerk. Similarly, the judges' books are all printed by the entry clerk. These changes just reflect revising the rules to match current practices.

**Phillips:** The next one is a technicality. You're going to see a few of these as we go. 6.02 and 6.03, the CFA data disk, it puts the responsibility for sending the data disk to the entry clerk, as opposed to the show secretary, since it's actually the entry clerk who prepares the data disk and it's actually the entry clerk that sends the data disk to Central Office. It's usually done electronically and then they get an email back from Shirley, who says, "I've got it." That's what you're seeing here. **Anger:** So moved. **Hamza:** The motion is to accept 6.02 and 6.03? **Phillips:** Yes. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*ARTICLE VII – PRIZES, RIBBONS AND TROPHIES*

*The next function addressed is the requirements associated with the ribbons, prizes, and trophies that are offered at the show. All the rules associated with colors, sizes, logos required, etc. for awards are moved to this section. There are no proposed changes to any of the current associated rules.*

*ARTICLE VIII – PROCEDURES PRIOR TO BENCHING/CHECK-IN*

*Just before exhibitors arrive, the next function involves setting up the show hall. All rules associated with show-hall setup, exhibitor benching locations, judging ring setup, etc. have been moved here, including the setup of the agility rings, if offered. To that end, both rules involving agility setup have been revised to indicate that an action is required, rather than just a topic title*

**Rules 8.12 & 8.13 – Agility Equipment to be setup before the show (Enclosure & Obstacles)**

**RATIONALE:** Both of these rules are revised to make them an action required vs. a topic title indicating that they need to be setup if agility is offered. This is housekeeping.

**Phillips:** The next actual rule change is in Article VIII and it has to do with the agility equipment. All it does is say in Article VIII that the set-up of the obstacles and the set-up of the enclosures is if offered. Not every club has agility. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Hamza:** Can I get a second please? **Shelton:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

## ARTICLE IX – BENCHING/CHECK-IN

*The first of the large functions, this rule addresses all of the activities associated with checking in to the show, and includes all of the restrictions on what cats can and can't be in the show hall. There are three associated rules change proposals as follows:*

### **Rule 9.01 – Changes reference from show announcement to show flyer**

**RATIONALE:** This is housekeeping to keep the term show flyer as the term used throughout the rules.

[already voted on]

### **Rules 9.04, 9.07, 9.21, 9.26 – revises responsibility for handling check-in from Show Secretary to Entry Clerk**

**RATIONALE:** For most shows, it is the Entry Clerk who has the information on who owes (most exhibitors) and who doesn't, and they are thus the individuals who actually handle most check-ins. These rules do allow a designee, but it makes more sense to reference the individual who mostly does the work vs. someone else. In addition, 9.21 has been clarified that a change of color class may also include a color class in a different breed than the one shown in the catalog/judges sheets.

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** Now we're in Section 9 and I'm going to give you a bunch of numbers here. **Hamza:** What about 9.01? **Phillips:** We did that already, believe it or not. That's the announcement to flyer, and you did that everywhere it appears so it's already covered. **Hamza:** Yeah, I've got it. **Phillips:** OK. Back to 9.04, 9.07, 9.21 and 9.26. It takes the responsibility and moves it from the show secretary to the entry clerk; i.e., that's the person who actually does the work. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger. **Hannon:** That's not necessarily true. **Phillips:** It usually is. **Hannon:** Alright, usually. **Phillips:** The reason why is because the entry clerk is the person who knows who owes and who doesn't owe, so they have to handle check-in that way. **Hannon:** Monte, I know of shows where Dave Peet is the entry clerk and he does not make a physical appearance at the show. He just mails the stuff to the club. So, he's not doing the check-in. **Wilson:** Yeah, I think that's the case in a lot of situations. **Kallmeyer:** Especially west. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carol. **Krzanowski:** I think if we just included the phrase *or designated representative*, that would solve the problem. **Phillips:** It's already there. **Krzanowski:** Not on every rule, Monte. There are a couple places where it was missing. **Phillips:** It's on 9.04 and 9.07. Let me see about 9.21 and 9.26. **Krzanowski:** It's not in 9.21. **Phillips:** It's on 9.26. **Krzanowski:** It's not in 9.21.a or b, actually. **Phillips:** So, we'd have to add it there. That's the only place it would need to be added. **Kallmeyer:** Dick here. **Hamza:** Go ahead Dick. **Kallmeyer:** I guess one question, too, who is doing the designation? It might not be the entry clerk assigning check-in. It would probably be a member of the show committee assigning that. **Phillips:** Usually it's either the entry clerk or a designated representative. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, but who designates it? That's what I mean. Let's say in our club we might just have a club member do it, but the entry clerk would not be assigning that club member. It would be a club function. **Phillips:** The entry clerk's not the one who has to designate. The rule doesn't specify who makes the designation. **Kallmeyer:** OK.

**Hamza:** I'm thinking I heard a motion and a second. **Phillips:** So, we'll have to revise 9.21. 9.04, 9.07 and 9.26 have it, but 9.21 has to be revised to include the phrase *or designated representative* after the words. **Hamza:** George, did your motion include that? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. **Petty:** Wait, I have a question on what we're voting on. **Hamza:** Wait, Tracy has a question. **Petty:** Are we voting to leave it as show secretary or change it to entry clerk? **Hannon:** Entry clerk. **Petty:** So, we're voting to change, but add in the phrase *or designated representative*. **Eigenhauser:** Right. **Shelton:** Before we vote on it, Jerry. **Hamza:** I'm calling the vote again.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Shelton:** Jerry, this is Mike. There's one other thing in 9.21 that's not just a simple housekeeping change. It includes transferring cats to a different breed. **Phillips:** Ah yes. That's the issue that came out of the discussion you had yesterday. We're going to talk about that in two places – 9.21 and 10.21. This came out of a discussion about, I believe it was a European Burmese that got transferred in Europe, and the issue was whether or not the judge could or could not transfer the cat at the request of the exhibitor. They had entered it as a Burmese, when it was really a European Burmese, because as far as they knew, they only have Burmese. Technically, that's a breed change. So, 9.21, that second part, has to do with what's going to come up when we talk about 10.21, which is the same issue. It has to do with the exhibitor being able to correct the breed if they've got it wrong. **Hannon:** George explained that last time we talked about it. Why don't you have George repeat that for Monte's benefit? **Hamza:** George, do you want to repeat your hominy? **Eigenhauser:** I don't remember what I said. **Hannon:** You said that it was not a change for the judge, it was a master clerk correction, or the entry clerk correction. The judge is not the one that's transferring it. The judge transferring it would be if Annette was judging a Korat and she thought it looked like a Russian Blue, so she transferred it to a Russian Blue. **Eigenhauser:** I understand, but we're still getting push-back from judges who say, "if I can't change it, nobody can." What we need is to make it clear that yes, it can be changed. It's just not the judge doing it. I think that's what Monte has done. **Phillips:** Yes. **Bizzell:** This is Carla. **Eigenhauser:** This is consistent with what we did last time. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carla. **Bizzell:** We had an incident at the Jakarta show where there was an Exotic in the Bi-Color Persian class – a legitimate shorthair Exotic. I don't know how it got there, but if we say it has to be done before judging begins, then the exhibitor can't even transfer it after the judge goes, "I'm questioning whether or not this is a Persian", for instance. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carissa. **Altschul:** I saw the same thing happen at a show here in the States, where somebody entered a longhair Exotic in the Exotic class. The judge, when they got to the cat went, "Not an Exotic." The judge spoke with the owner and the cat got transferred into the correct class. So, it's not just overseas that this is a problem. **Hamza:** Did somebody else have a question? **Phillips:** Remember, we have two different rules in effect here. 9.21 has to do with the absentee and transfer list. When we get to 10.21, that's where the exhibitor can do it at the ring. **Bizzell:** OK. **Ganoe:** This is Dennis. **Hamza:** Go ahead Dennis. **Ganoe:** I believe George's hominy had to do with who instigates the actual change. It may be noticed first by the judge or it may be noticed by the exhibitor, but the instigation of the change, the judge cannot do it without the agreement or basically the instigation of the owner/exhibitor. I think that's the distinction we made last meeting. **Eigenhauser:** It may require examination of pedigrees or



whatever that really the judge shouldn't be involved with. How a cat is registered or whether its parents were this breed or that breed, to identify what breed it is, those are all things the judge shouldn't be dealing with. The judge can certainly point to the exhibitor and say, "Go check with the master clerk and do a transfer," but the judge shouldn't be checking the cat's pedigree to see which breed it is. **Baugh:** 9.21.a is simply putting that ability to the exhibitor when they check in, if they realize ahead of time that they've entered the cat incorrectly. **Hamza:** I have a question. Does anybody have a problem with 9.21? I think we're sort of combining 9.21 and 10.21, but they are different. **Eigenhauser:** I move we adopt 9.21. **Baugh:** Second. **Anger:** We already voted on that. **Eigenhauser:** Did we? **Anger:** We did.

**Rule 9.22 – makes it clear you cannot do a catalog correction to ADD a registration number to an adult cat**

**RATIONALE:** This rule was requested by Central Office staff to remind exhibitors that they cannot add a registration number for an adult cat (and subsequently have shown as an Open/Ch/Pr) when it didn't have such a number at the time of entry. Several current show rules (old 2.03 and 17.02) specifically require that for an adult cat to enter a show, it must have a registration number. We have made an exception to this requirement via the TRN process, which allows one to obtain the TRN up to the day of the show. However, there are still exhibitors that think they can add it during the show, i.e., that they need the number at the time the show starts, not the time of entry. This rule is put in to clarify that the requirement is time of entry, not time of show. If the Board wishes to change that philosophy, several rules will need to be revised to address that change, and those are NOT proposed in this revamp.

**Hamza:** Now we're moving back to 9.22. **Phillips:** 9.22, this is a request of Central Office. It's an issue that Shirley ran into that she just had a fit over, and that's people who turned in catalog corrections to add registration numbers to adult cats that were in novice, to move them. We had this discussion back in August. This basically just clarifies that you can't do that. You can get a temporary registration number and go that way, but you can't just add a catalog correction to change your cat and give it a registration number, when it didn't have one to begin with. **Kallmeyer:** So moved. **Hamza:** Hang on, Rachel. **Anger:** To play devil's advocate, if I go through the novice process and then I get my number, who have I hurt? My cat's in the show, I gave the club an entry. Did I break a rule or do something wrong? **Phillips:** Several rules. **Anger:** Uh-oh. **Phillips:** The rule that says when you entered the cat, you had to have a registration number at the time. Now, you could have gotten a temporary registration number. **Anger:** Right. **Phillips:** And then you would have had a registration number, but to enter it as a novice without a registration number and then move it, technically that's not allowed. **Baugh:** It's like entering a cat with no number and adding a number later. **Hamza:** I think you don't want to get confused with the old definition of novice and the new definition of novice. **Huhtaniemi:** We already said it's not allowed. This is Pauli. Because it doesn't break any show rules if it's entered as a novice, but when you've got the registration number, you're breaking the show rules if you don't add the permanent registration number in the catalog, because your cat is registered at that time. **Phillips:** And that's the issue in a nutshell. At what point in time does the cat have to be registered and entered? Under the current rules, it has to have its number before it's entered, not after. That's the issue. We could always change that policy and revise the rules accordingly. **Hamza:** But really, this only holds it up one show, right? **Phillips:** Correct. **Eigenhauser:** Unless they want to

go out and get a TRN. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, they have the opportunity for a TRN. **Hamza:** Right. Alright. **Anger:** So, this is not saying that I can no longer do that. OK. **Hamza:** So, we have a motion and a second. I'm going to call the vote.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Huhtaniemi voting no.

#### ARTICLE X – DURING THE SHOW – JUDGING AND AWARDS

*The largest of the new functions addresses the conduct of the show, including the judging process and the handling of cats. One new rules proposal is presented based on a Board request.*

#### **Rule 10.21 – clarifies that exhibitors can request transfers between breeds for erroneously-entered cats**

**RATIONALE:** At the September board meeting there was considerable discussion regarding former rule 28.14 (this rule in the revamped rules) on making it clear that erroneous entry information could result in the need to transfer a cat from one breed to another. Examples given were Burmese vs European Burmese, and cases where an exhibitor entered a cat's breed using the drop-down menu and got the wrong one. [note: In this latter case, that would ONLY apply to a cat/kitten entered without a permanent registration number, as the permanent number would automatically assign the correct color class/breed for almost all cases]. The goal was to revise the rule to make it clear that an exhibitor could make this change with a transfer of the cat to the correct color class even if it involved a change of breed.

**Hannon:** Let's talk about 9.22. **Hamza:** So, now we're talking about 10.21. **Hannon:** What about 9.22? **Hamza:** I thought we voted on 9.22. **Phillips:** I thought we were going to come back to 9.22 but that's OK. **Hamza:** No, go back to 9.22. I thought we did that. **Phillips:** While we're talking about 10.21, we might as well do 10.21. 10.21 is now that the exhibitor makes the change at the ring. Normally that's done with the ring clerk, not necessarily with the judge, but it's the exhibitor making the change at the ring versus at check-in. It's the last sentence. **Anger:** So moved. **Baugh:** Second. **Raymond:** Don't you need a master clerk correction, too? **Hamza:** Monte, this doesn't affect the requirement to go to the master clerk, correct? **Phillips:** Technically, the master clerk isn't the one who is going to do this. He is going to record what his judge does. **Kallmeyer:** Don't we require the exhibitor, in the case of a color class if they want to get a change, shouldn't there be a change form or something? A justification? **Phillips:** Same thing with color class. The master clerk is going to record what the cat is judged as, so that's not something you do on a catalog correction form. That's something you either do at check-in or at the ring. **Kallmeyer:** Right. **Meeker:** You need a correction form to go with the catalog, if the catalog doesn't agree with the judge's book. **Hamza:** So, an exhibitor would not need to go to the master clerk and get a signed – **Phillips:** No. The master clerk would automatically record the change if the judge changed it. **Hamza:** What about the exhibitor wanting to have some sort of receipt of that? **Phillips:** Well, they don't get one now, either. The rule has been around forever, that the master clerk is required to record what the judge judges the cat as. Speaking of the master clerk, I had one cat I had to write down in 3 different places, which I didn't enjoy doing, by the way, but that's the way it happened. **Hamza:** Any other questions? **Phillips:** It got judged as a bi-color, as a tabby and as a solid. Don't ask me

how it did. **Hamza:** Something in the water. Can I get a motion? **Anger:** I moved. **Baugh:** And I seconded it.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 10.26 – Prohibits hanging an award/rosette/ribbon on an empty cage**

**RATIONALE:** This rule was required to add a specific prohibition on hanging an award on an empty cage. Currently, the requirement is that the cat be present in the show hall. Some judges have interpreted that to mean that if the cat is in another ring, they can go ahead and award the placement to the empty cage, since the cat is present in the show hall. This rule clarification would prohibit that practice.

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** The next rule is 10.26. We’ve had this discussion before, as well. The very last sentence has been added. Basically it says, *In no case will a judge hang an award on an empty cage.* What we’ve had happen in the past is, the cat is in the show hall but the cat’s in another ring and the judge wants to hurry through their final. So, they go ahead and hang their 3<sup>rd</sup> best or 4<sup>th</sup> best or 9<sup>th</sup> best or whatever on a cage with a number on it, but no cat. The cat is in the show hall, but it’s in another ring. **Anger:** So moved. **Phillips:** This basically would prevent that and say, “you wait for the cat to show up.” **Hamza:** Right, we get it. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*ARTICLE XI – SHOW RECORDKEEPING*

**Rule 11.02 – marking judge color class sheets for Veterans, Miscellaneous, and Household Pets**

**RATIONALE:** At the request of Dick, this rule was expanded to identify what marks a judge should put on their color class sheets after they have judged these classes. It matches up with what marks are expected to be on those sheets per the associated rule for the clerk to check the sheets.

**Phillips:** Next one is 11.02. We talk in the Clerking Manual and the clerking information about how a judge should mark the judge’s book for Veterans and Household Pets and Miscellaneous class; i.e. a dash, an M or a V, but we never tell the judge that that’s what they need to put in their book. This basically takes, as Dick has requested, the information that’s in the clerking side that says, “this is what you’re supposed to be looking for” and puts it on the judge’s side and says, “this is what you’re supposed to do.” I can tell you right now that when I do Household Pets, I get everything in the book from dashes to Ms to Merits to Present. **Krzanowski:** So moved, Carol. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 11.03 – clarifies that judges actually hand sheets to their ring clerk, not the master clerk**

**RATIONALE:** This revises the rule to incorporate the correct process for processing judging sheets.

Namely they go to the clerk for review, and the clerk forwards them to the Master Clerk. As written, the rule has the judge hand them directly to the Master Clerk, which is contradictory to other rules.

**Phillips:** 11.03 is just a matter of semantics. In reality, I've never run across a judge yet that hands his sheet to the master clerk. They usually always hand it to the ring clerk, and the ring clerk is the one who checks it before they give it to the master clerk. That's what 11.03 does. It makes that clear. That's the sequence. **Krzanowski:** So moved, Carol. **Baugh:** Second, Loretta.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 11.17 – adds Household Pets as a group of cats for which the Master Clerk will determine the count**

**RATIONALE:** This revises the rule to add Household Pets into the count determination. It is being added because many regions now score Household Pets for regional awards based on other Household Pets defeated.

**Phillips:** 11.71 is kind of simple. On the brand new count sheets, we now have a section for Veterans count and for Household Pet count. I didn't put Veterans on here because most clubs, at least in our region, don't have Veterans although they do in other regions. Basically, what this does is, it has that the master clerk will do the count for the Household Pets. Right now, there's no requirement that the count be created for anything except Premiership, Kittens and Championship. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** Clubs aren't required to have Veterans, but they're not required to have Household Pets either. I don't see why we don't put Veterans in here. **Meeker:** I agree. **Phillips:** Add Veterans, as well? **Hamza:** Yeah, why not. So, can we get a motion, with the understanding that we add Veterans? **Eigenhauser:** I move we adopt it, adding Veterans. **Baugh:** Second, Loretta.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

#### *ARTICLE XII – SHOW COMPLETION, CAT REMOVAL, LATE FEE COLLECTION*

*This last of the functional rules deals with the end of show activities - exhibitors leaving, preparing the show package and shipping it to central office, and in hopefully very rare cases, collection of late entry fees. All rules associated with those activities were moved here. There are no proposed changes to any of those rules.*

**Rule 12.08 – Delete requirement to send exhibitor list with addresses to the regional director.**

**Hamza:** Monte, before you jump ahead on me, you have a question on 12.08. **Phillips:** It's your question. **Phillips:** I have a question to the Regional Directors. Currently in the show rules, there's a requirement that the Regional Directors receive a copy of the exhibitors' list with addresses. I want to know how many of them are actually getting it? If they're not getting it, do we still need this rule? **Baugh:** This is Loretta. I get them from maybe 1/3 of the shows. I don't need it. **Roy:** This is Sharon. I don't need it and probably 10% of the shows send them. **Meeker:**

I get about 40% and I found it handy sometimes, but I can go back to my entry clerks and get the information I need, so I think it's a waste of a task. **Altschul:** I've never gotten one. **Hannon:** I got one in 3 years. **Hamza:** So, I guess the consensus is that you can pull this, Monte. **Phillips:** That's exactly what I'm going to do if you'll vote on it and say that 12.08 is hereby abolished. **Calhoun:** Hello? **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Calhoun:** Just for the record, we don't need it, either. **Kallmeyer:** The ID doesn't need it, either. **Shelton:** Region 5 is fine without it. **Baugh:** This is Loretta. I make a motion we abolish Rule 12.08. **Meeker:** I second, Ginger.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 12.10 – Housekeeping, to clarify Priority Mail does not comply.**

**Phillips:** The next sequence of rules is basically a compilation of going through each individual responsibility for all the individuals that are involved with the show, with one exception – the steward is not covered, but that's the only one. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. Monte, you missed one. **Phillips:** You missed 12.10. **Hannon:** Can we go back to it and let him finish this one. **Phillips:** I'm looking at 12.10. **Raymond:** There's also a question in 12.08. **Phillips:** You're right, I did miss this one. I'm sorry. 12.10 is a housekeeping issue and it's basically at the request of Central Office. We have some clubs out there that think priority mail is the same as express mail. It's not. Priority mail is the same as first class. Unfortunately, first class mail doesn't go overnight. It usually goes by truck. The concern Shirley has is to make it clear here that you don't want to use priority mail. She's in the mode to get into fining people, because that's also allowed in the rules if you don't send your packages to arrive overnight. Central Office does have the authority to fine. **Meeker:** This is Ginger. **Hamza:** Go ahead Ginger. **Meeker:** I thought we gave clubs an option to use priority mail, because some of the overnight package services were in the \$80 to \$100 price range. **Phillips:** We gave them the authority to use express mail. **Hamza:** There is a difference, Ginger. **Phillips:** Express mail is overnight. As a matter of fact, it's contracted by FedEx. Priority mail is standard first class. **Meeker:** So they would have to wait until Monday morning to go to the post office, to do express. **Phillips:** That's correct. **Meeker:** I think some of my clubs had the idea that it had to be sent out on Sunday night so it got there overnight some time Monday. **Hamza:** No. It should be here by Tuesday. **Phillips:** Here's the situation in reality. For most parts of the country – no offense to Alliance – Alliance doesn't get their mail overnight. They get their mail overnight plus one, so if I mail it from here on Monday, Central Office gets it on Wednesday if I send it express mail. If I send it priority mail, they would be lucky to get it in the same week, because then it goes by truck. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Phillips:** It might get there on Thursday, it might get there on Friday. **Hamza:** Go ahead Carissa. **Altschul:** This has happened with some of the clubs in my region and I know because I was trying to look up grand points and other people were trying to look up grand points and ended up calling Central Office, because by Friday afternoon they still weren't in and it turned out because they didn't get the show package until Friday afternoon from the preceding week, so it definitely caused problems with the e-points, it caused problems with grand points. It's a problem. I realize that it costs more for the clubs. **Hamza:** The truth is that, very shortly, with the advent of the new computer system, we're right on the edge of figuring out a way for the show package to be sent electronically. So, to do this to the clubs is really a short-term issue. **Baugh:** This is Loretta. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Baugh:** Even in our small town, our post office is

closed on Sunday but there is an automatic box there to use. You can express mail or priority mail without the post office being open. It's a matter of destination, size of the package and sometimes weight. You just do it automatically, and it's out early, early the next morning.

**Hamza:** Is there a motion here? **Phillips:** Not yet. **Eigenhauser:** I'll move. George moves.

**Baugh:** Second, Loretta.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*ARTICLES XIII THROUGH XXIV – RESPONSIBILITIES OF PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN SHOW (except Stewards)*

*To address responsibilities of individuals at the show, these articles were expanded to address every individual involved in the show process. Specifically Article XIII addresses exhibitors, Article XIV addresses entry clerks, Article XV addresses the show management/sponsoring club, Article XVI addresses the show committee, Article XVII addresses the show manager, Article XVIII addresses the show secretary, Article XIX addresses the show treasurer (the place where all the rules associated with fee payments were moved), Article XX addresses Judges, Article XXI addresses clerks, Article XXII addresses the master clerk, Article XXIII addresses the certified ring master, and Article XXIV addresses central office staff. A set of new rules is proposed for each of these (except certified ring masters) that incorporate specific reference to any rule that that individual is responsible for implementing.*

**Rules 13.08, 14.01, 15.06, 16.01, 17.02, 18.04, 19.09, 20.12, 21.01, 22.02, 23.02, 24.02 – Identifies responsibilities by show rule reference for all personnel involved with the show except stewards**

**RATIONALE:** These rules identify, in list format, the specific rules that each individual is responsible for implementing. Under this format, an individual assigned to any of these positions can identify specifically what their job function entails.

**Phillips:** You're going to see a whole list of rule numbers here that are basically all doing the same thing; 13.08, 14.01, 15.06, and I'm not going to run through all the numbers. Basically what we have done is, for each of the responsibility sections, and that's what these are, we've gone through and looked at every rule and figured out who needs to actually be aware of this rule, because it applies to what they do. For every rule that comes under that heading, that number is listed in this rule change. So, if you really want to know every rule that has to do, for example, with the show secretary, you go to rule 18.04 and there's a list. Every, single one of those rules has to do with the show secretary. If they're not on that list, it doesn't have to do with the show secretary. **Kallmeyer:** Monte, it's great. I think it's really great. **Anger:** Good work.

**Hamza:** I've got to tell you, you did a yeoman's job. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Hamza:** Yes Carissa. **Altschul:** Since we decided to change the prologue to Article I, these will all have to be – **Phillips:** They will all have to up one. I won't argue that. They'll all be changed in that respect. All the numbers will go up by one. **Hamza:** Right. Can we accept them with that understanding? **Meeker:** So moved, Ginger. **Anger:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 15.04 – clarifies responsibilities for agility conduct if it is offered**

**RATIONALE:** This is housekeeping to indicate that the agility responsibilities only apply if agility is offered.

**Hamza:** Monte, before you jump ahead on me, you've got 15.04. **Phillips:** Right. I have 15.04 and I have 19.01 and I have 24.01. **Hamza:** Very good. **Phillips:** We'll start with 15.04. 15.04 basically, again, when offered – this is Agility again – Agility is not offered all the time, but when it is offered, that's what we've added here. Just the phrase *when offered*. **Kallmeyer:** So moved. **Phillips:** Not every club has agility. I wish they did, but unfortunately they don't. **Hamza:** Alright. Second please. **Eigenhauser:** Second, George.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Rule 19.01 – adds note that clubs can pay clerks more than the amounts quoted in the rule**

**RATIONALE:** Some clubs are under the impression that they cannot pay clerks more because this show rule specifies exact amounts, while others DO pay their clerks more based on their duties and the need to fill the position. This clarifies that it is permissible to pay clerks more than that specifically specified as negotiated between the club and the clerk.

**Hamza:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** 19.01 adds one sentence that came out of the Annual Meeting. It's the note at the very bottom of the amounts of money to pay clerks that basically says that if a club wants to pay more, they can. **Krzanowski:** So moved, Carol. **Phillips:** That came up because there's a discussion of some clubs that actually think that they can't. **Petty:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser abstained.

**Eigenhauser:** George is abstaining because I'm a clerk and I'm not going to vote on my own pay. **Hamza:** OK George. So noted. **Hannon:** I did. **Hamza:** Mark for the record said he did. I'm trying to help his re-election.

**Rule 24.01 – clarifies that central office sends the show package materials to EITHER the entry clerk or show secretary depending on the box indicated on the show application**

**RATIONALE:** This is housekeeping to address how central office actually sends out the show package materials. In many cases it goes to the entry clerk, not the show secretary.

**Phillips:** 24.01 is technically housekeeping. When you submit a show license, there's a box to check that says, where do you want Central Office to send all the show supplies? By "show supplies", I mean the paper to print out the catalogs, the judges' books, the master clerk catalog, the ring labels, the paperwork for doing the flyer stuff that goes back to Central Office. You check a box. You either check show secretary or you check entry clerk. 24.01 basically

acknowledges that the entry clerk may be the one who gets all that stuff. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Baugh:** Second, Loretta.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*ARTICLE XXV THROUGH XXVII – OBTAINING TITLES, AGILITY, CHAMPION/PREMIER, GRAND*

*All of the requirements dealing with these titles were moved into their own sections at this point. There are no proposed changes here other than a reminder that the new 27.04b will read as the associated rule was passed at the August 2013 Board Meeting.*

*ARTICLE XXVIII THROUGH XXXII– CHAMPIONSHIP BREEDS/DIVISIONS AND COLORS, AOVs, HHPs, MISCELLANEOUS, AND PROVISIONAL BREEDS*

*The current rules XXXI through XXXVI are all moved to these new numbers verbatim.*

*ARTICLE XXXIII – RULES VIOLATIONS/DISQUALIFICATIONS*

*All of the rules associated with disqualifications and how rules violations are handled were moved here. There are no proposed changes to these rules.*

*ARTICLE XXXIV – NATIONAL/DIVISIONAL/REGIONAL AWARDS*

*This section was the old article XXXVII. It is the next to last section of the rules. There are no proposed changes to this system at this time. The committee does plan to bring a proposal to the annual meeting regarding regional/divisional area assignment for co-owned cats.*

*ARTICLE XXXV - AGILITY*

*All of the rules associated with agility that do not fit into another section are included here with no proposed changes.*

*INDEX*

*The index has been verified for all of the “old” topics and a few new ones to direct the user to the correct rule reference.*

*CROSS-REFERENCE*

*This is added as those who remember the old rules can now find the new number for that rule using the cross-reference.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Monte Phillips, Chairman*

**Phillips:** You’re going to find this hard to believe, but we just finished. **Baugh:** Yay Monte and committee. **Hamza:** Hang on. We’re not quite done. Rich Mastin wants to request



Monte add something. **Mastin:** Monte, can I ask you to put the register ® after the phrase *The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.* at the bottom of all pages and anywhere you use the logo? See it on the cover? **Phillips:** I missed exactly what it is you want me to do. **Mastin:** At the bottom of each page, you have listed in the – **Eigenhauser:** Shelly will do the formatting. **Mastin:** Very good. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. **Hamza:** Yes Carol. **Krzanowski:** I just really want to commend Monte and the Committee on a job well done. This is something that's been needed forever. The order of things is so much more user friendly now. I think people will be able to find what they need. I also wanted to know, who is going to be doing the final formatting? I did find a few editing things that might be helpful to that person. **Hamza:** I think it's going to be Shelly, right? **Phillips:** I believe that's the right name. Is that Borawski? **Hamza:** Yes. **Phillips:** Yes, it's Shelly. **Krzanowski:** Should I forward my editing notes to Monte or to Shelly? Which would be better? **Phillips:** Forward them to me, and then I'll incorporate them before I send them to Shelly. **Hamza:** That's probably the best. You know, the indexing is excellent. This will be remembered for a long time Monte. Good job, and tell the Committee good job. <applause> **Phillips:** You're welcome. It took a while. **Hamza:** Things that are worthwhile sometimes do. You know what? Why don't we at this point take a quick lunch? Why don't we say 45 minutes, so we can get back here and clean up.

[BREAK]

(21) **CFA OUTREACH/EDUCATION.**

**Committee Chair:** Joan Miller  
**Board Liaison:** Tracy Petty  
**List of Committee Members:** Dee Dee Cantley, Kim Everett-Hirsch, Donna Isenberg,  
Karen Lane, Karen Lawrence, Tracy Petty, Jodell  
Raymond, Mary Sietsema

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:** *The overall vision of the CFA Outreach and Education Program:*

- *Establish CFA as a primary information resource on cats*
- *Provide feline education programs for the general public, shelters and veterinarians*
- *CatsCenterstage.org: A website promoting respect for all cats.*
- *Increase involvement in CFA activities (attract new exhibitors and breeders; increase show visitors)*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

**Education** – *Planning is underway for the EDUCATION Ring at the CFA/Dr. Elsey’s World Cat Show in Novi, Michigan, November 23-24, 2013. We will have many speakers and interesting topics, including: What the Judges are Looking For and What The Ribbons Mean, the Origin of The Domestic Cat and History of Breeds, Grooming Demos, Can You Really Train a Cat ?, Feline Colors and Patterns, the Basic Nature of All Cats, Choosing a Pet Cat, How to Introduce Your New Cat to the Resident Cat and more.*

*Rachel Anger is coordinating and obtaining the cats to be benched in the ring and will line up our assistants. We are all looking forward to providing lots of fun and education for the visitors.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Attendance at the Cat Writers Association Conference October 31 – November 3, 2013 in Dallas Texas.*

*Education Program – San Diego Cat Fanciers Show, January 25 – 26, 2014.*

**Action Items:**

*None.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Updates.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Joan Miller, Chair*

**Hamza:** Tracy, on to Outreach and Education. **Petty:** The next big event, of course, is the World Show. We'll have an education ring there with several things planned. I believe we still need more cats for the education ring. Rachel is coordinating that. Is that right, Rachel? **Anger:** Right. **Petty:** We would still like to have several more cats there of different breeds. After the World Show, there are two more events planned – the Cat Writers' Association conference at the end of October/beginning of November in Texas, and then there will be another education program at the San Diego Cat Fanciers show in January. That's all that's planned so far. **Hamza:** Anybody have any questions about Outreach and Education? Thank you Tracy.

(22) **AMBASSADOR REPORT.**

**Committee Chair:** Willa K. Hawke  
**Liaison to Board:** Sharon Roy  
**List of Committee Members:** Jodell Raymond, Art Graafmans, Chris Willingham

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*In June, the committee held our annual meeting in Vancouver. With the loss of our IAMs sponsorship, our topics included how to best use our on-hand supplies and how to pay for our future needs. It was determined to continue to use the existing handouts containing the IAMs logo etc. at any show not primarily sponsored by a direct cat food competitor.*

*The 2013 Ambassador Reception held in Vancouver was one of the best ever. Over 100 guests visited the suite and enjoyed our hospitality. We were very grateful to Carly Kellogg, our Region 2 Regional Coordinator and her assistants for doing the shopping and set up. Also, we appreciated being able to use the lovely Presidential Suite for the event and we sincerely thank President Hamza!*

*Following the CFA Annual Meeting, after returning home, I learned from the minutes of the Sunday board meeting that the IAMs Ambassador Cats had been removed from the CFA Ambassador Program and made into a separate program headed up by Karen Lane. This was a complete surprise to me and to the Ambassador Committee members. So now that we no longer have the I-Cats we are working very hard to promote and build the CFA Ambassador Pet Me Cats group. I am happy to report that this project seems to be going quite well.*

*The large number of Ambassador Pet Me Cats (PMCs) working at the recent National Capital Show were very well received. We thank both NC show management and the CO staff for their special efforts in making the PMC flags available to these cats and their owners. The PMC group is fast growing and drawing accolades wherever they appear.*

*We are very pleased to have Sharon Roy as our liaison to the board. We have also begun working closely with Donna Lewis of Central Office who is helping with managing our membership rolls.*

*Two new Regional Coordinators: Harold Bourgeois from GSR (3) and Robin Robertson from SWR (5) have been added. Both are working very hard to grow the program in their respective regions.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*In addition to our diligent PMC work, the immediate project at hand is the Ambassador Booth for the World Show. We plan to have the guided tours as in the past and are currently in the process of obtaining the guides, setting up schedules, etc. Also, manpower for the booth itself has been affected since my major helper of past years is one of this year's World Show Judges. Congratulations to Barbara Jaeger, Purple Show Judge, but her efforts for, and in the*

*Ambassador Booth, will be sorely missed. We hope our World Show's booth will remain in a highly visible spot near the entrance to the hall as it has been in the past.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*We continue to build the program both with membership and the growth of the popular PMC group. It is anticipated that the entire Ambassador Program will continue to grow and flourish throughout CFA. Additional progress needs to be made in our world-wide efforts but the future is somewhat dimmed by the current lack of funding.*

**Board Action Items:**

*It is important that CFA continues in its efforts to find a sponsor for this important program so that we can proceed with program goals and objectives. We do need to update our printed materials and are currently in the process of using up all of the materials with the Iams logo so that we can begin phasing in new printed materials.*

**Time Frame:**

ASAP

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*World Show reports.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Willa K. Hawke, Chair*

**Hamza:** Up next is the CFA Ambassador Program, and that would be Sharon Roy is the board liaison. **Roy:** Everybody should have gotten Willa's report. There really isn't anything to add to Willa's report. I know she has got several people working her Ambassador booth and she is still looking for volunteers. If somebody would like to volunteer to give tours, get in touch with Willa. **Hamza:** I do notice that there is an action item on your report. **Roy:** Oh, hold on. I've got to bring it up. Do you want to read that, Jerry, because I went off my computer. **Hamza:** The action item reads, <reads>. My only problem with this, Sharon, is that I don't mind board requests, but I need costs. I need a proposal. **Roy:** OK. Alright, I will ask her to work on costs for that and bring it to hopefully the next meeting. **Hamza:** The board just can't – we need to have something to work with. I know you understand that. **Roy:** Right. **Hamza:** OK.

(23) **ANIMAL WELFARE REPORT.**

*Committee Chair: Linda Berg*  
*Liaison to Board: Jerry Hamza*  
*List of Committee Members: Charlene Campbell CFA Breed Rescue Chair*  
*Nancy Heitzman Food Pantry*  
*Treasurer – Kay Janosik*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*This has been a full few months. We still do not have a replacement for John but working on it with several individuals. I'm thinking to divide the job up and make it an easier time commitment for the volunteers.*

*Nancy Heitzman is currently handling the food pantry for us and hopefully can be convinced to continue. We did find homes for the three semi loads of dog food and made lots of groups very happy. We received a lot of good publicity for CFA and Royal Canin.*

*Kay is back working after her back surgery. Her report is attached.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Charlene has been very busy as well as other coordinators across the country with lots of rescues. Charlene has been asking for donations to help with the costs of the care and I want to thank everyone who helps us with a donation. I also want to thank those individuals who are fostering and the rescues who have taken them in and are making sure they get their meds to get well and on to forever homes!*

*John's wife Terry has asked us to find homes for approximately twenty cases of the cattery organizers. John printed and put together the organizers with plans to take them to big shows where we would have a booth. I have asked the RD's if they would take some to sell at their shows and split the income with BAP as a fundraiser. We need to get them out of her home so if anyone interested please let me know ASAP.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*To find the new chair or chairs for BAP. Fundraising.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Berg, Chair*

**Hamza:** Next is Animal Welfare. The report is fairly straight-forward. Linda Berg is doing a wonderful job with Animal Welfare. If you look in the future projects for the committee, one of the big things is to find a new chair for the Breeder Assistance Program. I know this is a really hard program to find somebody to want to step into, but it's also an important program. Over the years, it has helped people but it also has a very practical application. It stops CFA from

getting some unnecessary black eyes. So, I guess my challenge to the board is, especially Regional Directors, there's got to be some talent somewhere in this organization that can walk into this job. There's got to be somebody who is just right for the job and it's right in their time of life to take something like this on. It will be in the minutes, too. If you are reading through the board minutes and you've gotten this far, you must be a real hardcore fancier to get all the way down to agenda item 23. If this touches you in any way, shape or form, feel free to contact me or Linda Berg. It is an important job for CFA. Are there any other questions for Animal Welfare?

(24) **CLUB MARKETING.**

**Committee Chair:** T. Ann Caell

**Liaison to Board:** Rich Mastin

**List of Committee Members:** T. Ann Caell, Rich Mastin, Ed Raymond

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

The Club Marketing Committee reports that from Jan., 2013 to early Dec., 2013 a total of 95 Corporate Club Sponsorships were awarded to 84 clubs. The total award amount thus far is \$70,360. These awards were provided by Dr. Elsey's, Royal Canin, Iams and the CFA Allocation Fund.

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

The Regional Summary report from Jan., 2013 to early Dec., 2013 shows comparisons to prior year awards and includes projections for the balance of 2013. This summary will be sent along with a CFA Club Sponsorship Award Program listing through Dec. 2013 soon. They will be available prior to the October meeting for the Board of Directors.

**Future Projections for Committee:**

The Corporate Sponsorship Awards from Dr. Elsey's, Royal Canin and the CFA Allocations project approximately 108 awards for 97 clubs through December. Several clubs which requested award sponsorships are pending for December, 2013. At least 12 clubs have already requested information for 2014 Corporate Sponsorship Awards.

**Board Action Items:**

No Board Action items are requested at this time by the Club Marketing Committee.

**Time Frame:**

Ongoing.

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

Status of CFA Club Marketing Committee award sponsorships.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Ann Caell, Chair

**Hamza:** Next up is Club Marketing. Rich Mastin is the liaison to the board. **Mastin:** Since the submission of the committee's report, we are now up to awarded \$77,110 to a total of 89 clubs. Currently, we have 5 clubs pending until the end of the calendar year, for an amount of \$2,850. That will leave us a balance that will carry over into the CFA year of \$39,350. Of that \$39,350, \$500 is Royal Canin's carry-over into the remainder of CFA's calendar year, which is



the end of April. **Hannon:** That can't be right, \$39,350 from Royal Canin? **Mastin:** No, that's the total going into the CFA calendar year. \$500 is Royal Canin, \$38,850 is CFA funds. **Hamza:** I had gotten a request, and I'm going to pass it on to you at the board level because I think it's important. I would like to see as much sponsorship as your committee can muster for the show in England in January. They need a little help, and that's a great opportunity. It represents the end of a very long absence of CFA in England. If my research is right, over 30 years. England should be an important market for CFA. Who said, we're one people separated by a common language? Anyway, there is value to that show, I believe. **Raymond:** The biggest challenge with the international shows is actually figuring out how to get them the money, because you can't just write them a check. **Hamza:** I know. **Raymond:** But we're working through that. **Hamza:** There's got to be a balance. There's got to be a way. That's probably a challenge for your committee. Any questions for that committee? OK, I love it when it goes like this.

(25) **OTHER COMMITTEES.**

**Hamza:** I'm not missing any other committees, am I? **Anger:** We have something under Old Business. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. I just wanted to mention, regarding the Clerking Program, Cheryl Coleman did not have a formal report, but she did want to mention that they repeated the online clerking school and they are currently preparing for next year's clerking exam. Of course, you have to wait until the new structure of the show rules comes into completion before she can finish that up. That's about all she had to say about the Clerking Program. Thank you. **Hamza:** OK, thanks.

(26) **OLD BUSINESS.**

**UPDATE: CATS N CATS SHOW DATE**

*At the request of President Hamza contact was made with this club on September 16, with copies to the CFA President and the Region 9 Director.*

*Explanation was made advising the process to have a date become a traditional date now that Europe is a Region. The issues of the difficulty of dealing with a new set of rules and new individuals was addressed as well, and it was stated that the purpose now was to move forward to attempt to find the club a date.*

*Pauli was requested to have a copy of the show schedule sent to the Cats N Cats club and to me. The club was instructed to review the schedule, keeping in mind the purpose of scheduling is to avoid damaging conflicts, and to advise what options they felt might work for a show for their club. The club was also reminded that if they chose a date when another show was being held, Pauli had established a guideline that an additional show on a date already being used by another club could not have more rings than the original show.*

*The club responded on 9/18 requesting a date of April 12-13, 2014. Pauli responded the date MIGHT become available. There were already several shows scheduled, but if the Spanish club followed through on their intent to release the date for 2014, the date would be available for 2014. The other shows scheduled are in Moscow Russia (club has cancelled the scheduled shows past two years) and in Chebyalinsk Russia, in the Asian side. The Russian shows have hardly no effect to mainland European shows.*

*Subsequent to that the Spanish club did release their date for 2014. Cats N Cats were contacted and told they could have the date for 2014 ONLY. Should the Spanish club not hold a show in 2015 on that date, Cats N Cats would have first refusal on the date. If that were to happen, and Cats N Cats used the date it would become their traditional date at that time.*

*Cats N Cats indicated to Pauli they would plan and 8 ring show on that date in the south of France on the French Riviera. Pauli reminded them that notification needed to be posted to the CFA News and that he would be able to grant final approval after that.*

*That is the current status. It looks like they will have a date for 2014 at a minimum. Past that, we will need to wait and see.*

*Pauli was quick to respond to this group and addressed their questions appropriately.*

*This has been a difficult situation and it is hoped this group now has a firmer understanding of the process in place in acquiring a traditional date.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Loretta Baugh  
Great Lakes Regional Director*

**Hamza:** Old Business. What do we have under Old Business? **Baugh:** This is Loretta. I just had an update on the request for the Cats N Cats show, working at your request with Pauli. I sent copies to you and Mark. I didn't put Mark in my report, but I sent copies to you and Mark and to Pauli. **Hamza:** That's I guess semi-old business. Did everybody get a copy? **Baugh:** We have a date for them for 2014. **Hamza:** Are they happy with the date? **Baugh:** Yes, they are at this point. We don't know what's going to happen for 2015, but from what I'm looking at and gathering, the schedule in Region 9 is somewhat fluid because there seems to be a fair number of clubs that are canceling. I do want to thank Pauli. He was very quick to respond to the group. Basically, after contacting them and explaining what is needed to acquire a traditional date, I let Pauli take the lead on it and he followed through very well. Right now, I think they are happy. **Hamza:** So, what we have here is something that worked out. I'm hoping, Pauli, that we're getting a better understanding in Region 9 of scheduling within the CFA framework. **Huhtaniemi:** Yes. We have had problems with one club. **Hamza:** But the idea is to try to make room for everybody if we can. Loretta, it sounds like we have come to that conclusion. **Baugh:** That's where we are at this point. Hopefully, it will continue, but we're where we need to be. **Hamza:** OK. I appreciate your help, Loretta. Your experience as a Regional Director is appreciated. Pauli, I'm glad that you were able to facilitate this and get resolution to a problem that seemed to stick in our side for a while. Like I said, it's important if we can try to get a win/win situation out of things, that should be our target.

**Hamza:** Other Old Business?

(27) NEW BUSINESS.

**Hamza:** Any New Business? **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Hamza:** Yes Carissa. **Altschul:** I posted this on the board members' list and nobody wanted to touch it, so I'm going to bring it up here. With the advent of the new system, I really think we need to put a program in place to audit registrations. We audit our financials, we should audit our main business. **Hamza:** You know, Carissa, I saw your post and I agree with you. Here's what's got to happen, and it may be a good spot for you because you're passionate about it. I always like to give the people who speak up on something the opportunity to fill their spare time with that very same program. One of the things that's got to happen before we get there is, we've got to get the system up and running. I know you want to do this sooner than later, but to be prudent, I think that if we can get the system up and running by October 31<sup>st</sup> or actually November 1<sup>st</sup>, get us through November and get us through December, what you're talking about would probably be appropriate to try to integrate somewhere in the beginning of January. If you're interested in that, let me know. **Altschul:** I agree it should be with the new system. I would just like something to be rattling around in James' while he is working on other things. It's not something he needs to drop everything else to do, but just something for him to be thinking about how we could develop a system to actually audit the registrations. We don't have people working in Central Office who really understand genetics, so they may not catch every mistake. **Hamza:** We actually have a couple people who understand genetics. I agree with the concept of maybe having the computer pull out every 50<sup>th</sup> registration or every 30<sup>th</sup> registration, whatever we deem is the appropriate number that would serve as significant in a sample size, but isn't so big that it interferes with the day-to-day business. We'll know in a hurry if we have a bigger problem. If we're taking every 30<sup>th</sup> registration out of the queue to look at and we have an incident of error of less than 5%, then I wouldn't be horribly concerned with that. Now, if it comes in above 20%, then that should set lights and bells for us, and we should start to look at some things more closely. The other thing that I fully intend to do, it's always a matter of having enough time to do the things you want to do. We've put so much energy into this new system, but once the dust settles a little bit, I agree with you on your statement that there definitely needs to be more cat genetic knowledge within this office. One of the things that I would like to see is, we certainly have that knowledge within the fancy. We have judges and exhibitors who have as close to expertise on cat genetics as anybody, and I would like to be able to set up workshops for the office – not just registration, but everybody in the office. That's who we are, it's what we are. Just maybe one Friday a month or something, where we can sit down and go over however we decide to turn it out. For instance, the Russian Blue genetics is going to be a lot easier of a seminar than the Oriental color questions, so I'm with you as far as your concerns. I think that we're very close as far as starting to address. When I said to you people – and I'm going to wrap up the meeting here, so I'm just going to go on for maybe a minute or two. When I said to you folks that once this computer system is rolling, in the new system in the new environment, that it really is a huge paradigm change for this organization, I mean that. As the board of this organization, it's important for us to get our heads around exactly what that means. The possibilities are endless. All of a sudden it's like getting to the mountain top and getting to see everything you couldn't see before, because now you have the advantage of the height and you can see everything that lies in front of you to the next horizon. That is such an advantage, as far as planning and dreaming of things that we could never dream before, of greatness for the organization. One of the things I said when I

got elected is, we're only limited by ourselves. I think we've proven that out here. So, here we are with a new vista. I encourage the board to take the time between this meeting and the next to really get their head around what that means, because all of a sudden we are going to start moving at light speed in different directions.

**Hamza:** Does anybody have anything else? **Shelton:** Yeah, Jerry. I have a couple things real quick. This is Mike. **Hamza:** OK Mike, go ahead. **Shelton:** I have two things that both pertain to Hawaii. One is one that I put on the list a couple of days ago but it didn't really go anywhere, about the Aloha Cat Fanciers' show coming up the end of October. They need an exemption from 15.08 to be able to do 2 rings in the morning and 2 rings in the afternoon because their show hall doesn't have the size, they don't think. **Eigenhauser:** I'll second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Shelton:** I have one other thing I just wanted to mention. I got an email from Ken Cribbs last night. The Mayor of Honolulu has interceded on their behalf and has granted an exemption to the Honolulu ordinance that had prohibited them from having cat shows at Ala Moana Regional Park where they have had shows for years and years. So, they will be able to go on and have shows there. Not only has the Mayor let us have shows, they are now asking for CFA's help and support in addressing the feral cat population in Hawaii. They are asking us to talk to the public and work with them on addressing it, so it's a big turn-around from where we were, from almost losing the cat fancy, to the government asking us to help them with their issues. I just want to get this on the record, to thank a lot of the people in Hawaii. I don't have all their names, so I'm going to miss people, but Ken Cribbs and Honey Justman and Charlie Abrams and Joan Harris and a bunch of other people for the work they have done in getting from where we were to where we are. **Hamza:** You can let them know if it helps, I would be willing to come to Hawaii and meet with the government officials there, to see what they had in mind. **Kallmeyer:** Michael, Dick here. I'll be at the next show, so if you want to set up a meeting on behalf of CFA with the government, I would be glad to do it as part of it. **Shelton:** Ken had mentioned that. If they are open to the idea, we can get some CFA experts out there to talk to them about these problems. I will forward the information along. **Hamza:** If government officials are going to be there, Mike, I would like to be there, as well. You can pass that along to Ken. At this point, if it's gone this far, I'll give Ken a call, as well. **Shelton:** OK, that's all I have.

**Hamza:** Anybody got anything else? **Meeker:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Yes. **Meeker:** This is Ginger. On the animal welfare issues, Linda Berg put out posts to the RD List asking for help selling some cases of the cattery organization system, so if any of the RDs are willing to get a case of those and bring them to the region, I don't know what the asking price is, but I know that the income will be split 50/50 between Breeder Assistance and the region. **Hamza:** Ginger, do we know how many of those are left? **Meeker:** I think she said 20 cases, but I don't know how many is in a case. I'm thinking 10-12. **Petty:** Could we get some to the World Show? **Meeker:** I had wondered if they could be put out for sale maybe at the World Show. **Hamza:** Absolutely. **Meeker:** I don't know who can coordinate that or how they get there. Apparently, John's wife is willing to ship them anyplace. She wants them out of her basement. **Hamza:** I understand that. **Meeker:** She's probably got a spare room filled with this stuff and she would like to move it on. **Calhoun:** She's got a warehouse full. **Hamza:** I understand, because as I moved into my new

house, in the basement I have a whole CFA corner of rosettes and flats. **Meeker:** This was near and dear to John's heart. He and I worked on it pretty closely, so I'm hoping that maybe someone from the World Show Committee could contact Linda and find out what's possible here.

**Hannon:** Maybe Shelly should do it as part of the CFA booth. **Hamza:** I don't care, but Donna Jean is sitting at the table. Between you and Shelly, I would like to get some there. Let's find out how many are in a case. **Thompson:** Linda Berg has them? **Hannon:** No. **Hamza:** See what we can reasonably expect to sell. If there's 100 in a case, don't get 10 cases at the World Show. We're not going to sell 1,000 of these things. **Petty:** But you might be able to distribute them from there to the regions. **Meeker:** I think the original price, Jerry, was \$20 but what I talked to Linda about was possibly \$15. **Hamza:** What we need to get our head around is quantities. You're talking 20 cases, but how many pieces does that mean? If there's 10 in a case, that's a lot different than if there's 100 in a case. **Meeker:** I don't know. I asked Linda and I didn't get any feedback on that. I sent an email and told her to send me a case and I would take them to some shows, but I haven't heard back. **Hamza:** We'll track it down from the CO end. Once we get our hands on a case, we'll be able to make better decisions. **Meeker:** Thank you.

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**Hamza:** Any other business here? At these meetings, I always like to have – I know it's not necessary, but I always like a motion to adjourn. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Hamza:** I knew you would come through, George. **Meeker:** Second.

**Hamza** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rachel Anger, CFA Secretary

(28) **DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS.**

**Appeals:** Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to and heard by the Board, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the party, an appeal and/or appeal fee was timely filed, and the appeal was heard by the Board of Directors. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

**12-028**            ***CFA v. Broadbent, Michele***  
***Violation of Rules for Registration, Section II***

**Respondent Requested Closed Session.**

*GUILTY. Sentence of \$250 fine and a six month suspension of all CFA Services. Suspension to continue until fine is paid.*

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**13-001**            ***CFA v. Moorestown Cat Fanciers; Search, Lynn; Crawford, Vanadis; and Sumner, Barbara.***

***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XIV (“... no person shall be authorized to judge any show... until he has been specifically authorized to so act by the Executive Board or by the Central Office...”)***

***Violation of Show Rules: 13.06; 13.07; 13.11(b); 25.10; 25.13; 28.01; 28.06; 28.07 and 28.08.***

*GUILTY with respect to Moorestown Cat Fanciers. Sentence of a one year suspension of all CFA services, including show production.*

*GUILTY with respect to Search. Sentence of a \$2,000 fine and a one year suspension of all CFA services. Suspension to continue until fine is paid.*

*GUILTY with respect to Crawford. Sentence of a \$250 fine.*

*GUILTY with respect to Sumner. Sentence of a \$507.50 fine.*

**Respondents Requested Open Session.**

**Raymond:** Who joined a few moments ago? **Sumner:** Barbara Sumner. **Raymond:** Hi Barbara. This is Ed Raymond. We’re just waiting for your fellow appellants to join us. **Eigenhauser:** George here. **Raymond:** Hey George. **Eigenhauser:** Can I speak for a second? **Hamza:** Sure, go ahead. **Eigenhauser:** Since we’re kind of on pause for a moment waiting for the next set of people to arrive, I would I just like to kind of mention one thing for the new people on the board, procedurally. I know we call this an appeal, but it’s not. I mean, take it from the person that actually wrote this procedure. I’m really unhappy that I didn’t fight harder to avoid people using that word to describe this. This is not an appeal, this is a new trial. A trial de novo is what I originally called it, but nobody liked the Latin. The bottom line is, this is a new trial. Everybody comes in here with a presumption of innocence. The original proceeding, the tentative ruling that the board issued a few months ago never happened. That’s the presumption



we start with today, so the question is not, when people come to one of these hearings, what evidence can you bring to prove your innocence? They start out with a presumption of innocence. So, we are treating this as a new trial. They are starting from zero with a clean slate. We still have the material that's in the file. We still consider that, but the burden is not on them to prove anything. They are entitled to the presumption of innocence. They come into the hearing with a presumption of innocence. You should hear their case with an open mind. This is the first opportunity they have to address the board. Yes, we issued a tentative ruling based on the paperwork before, but paper doesn't give you tone and inflection. It doesn't tell you the same way when you're talking to a human being whether they are telling you the truth or whether they are being evasive. It's a very different thing. This is the one and only trial they get, so please, when you hear these two cases today, hear the cases with an open mind with the presumption of innocence in mind. It doesn't mean you forget the evidence you've heard before, but they are not required to prove anything. This isn't like a true appeal, where you have to show that there was an error in the previous proceeding, this is a new trial. [**Search** joins the conference] They start with a clean slate, and I hope the board members will keep that in mind when hearing the two cases. **Hamza:** Who else are we waiting for? **Hannon:** Vanadis Crawford. **Hannon:** Lynn, we've got Barbara Sumner on the phone. We're just waiting for Vanadis and then we'll go ahead and proceed. OK? **Search:** She's actually having a little trouble dialing in. We don't know why. For some reason when she dials the number, the conference number isn't answering and asking her for a code. **Raymond:** That's very odd. **Eigenhauser:** Where is she calling from? **Search:** Oh, she's getting it now. **Hamza:** Before we get going, we have an awful lot of people on the phone right now, so please wait to be recognized before you speak. [**Crawford** joins the conference] So, as I say that, Ed go ahead.

**Raymond:** I will read a summary of the case. We're going to address Barbara and Lynn and Vanadis individually, so we'll have questions for each individually. So, we would ask that each of them just respond when they are being questioned. Then, if the board has questions, they will chime in and the individuals will have an opportunity to make closing statements, as well. This is docket 13-001, *CFA v. Moorestown Cat Fanciers, Lynn Search, [name omitted], Vanadis Crawford, [names omitted] and Barbara Sumner*. The allegations are a violation of CFA Constitution Article XIV, ("... no person shall be authorized to judge any show... until he has been specifically authorized to so act by the Executive Board or by the Central Office..."). Also allegations of violations of Show Rules 13.06; 13.07; 13.11(b); 25.10; 25.13; 28.01; 28.06; 28.07 and 28.08.

This is a Board-originated protest arising out of the Moorestown Cat Fanciers' one day, six ring show in Easton, PA on November 24, 2012. Approximately 132 cats were present and competing. Show hours were 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sources allege that Barbara Sumner departed before the end of the show, failed to complete her contract and failed to adhere to the show schedule. It is alleged that she asked if another judge could present her kitten final. When none agreed she completed her kitten final but failed to judge the HHP class before leaving the show at approximately 3:30 p.m., before the end of the show. The show committee then allowed a non-judge, Vanadis Crawford, to handle and judge the HHP class and present a final.

The response of [name omitted] alleges that she was not part of the show committee, was named on the show license without her permission, and did not take part in any of the show committee decisions named in the complaint. She has a supporting note from Alene Shafnisky.

Karen Bishop alleges in her response that Barbara Sumner never asked anyone else to do her kitten final. Says Lynn Search was responsible for Vanadis Crawford judging the HHP and the rest of the show committee was not consulted.

Vanadis Crawford responds that Barbara Sumner never asked anyone else to do her kitten final. Crawford says she and Search were responsible for Crawford judging the HHP and the rest of the show committee was not consulted. Crawford alleges she has judged HHP in the past and says her violation of the show rules was inadvertent. Denies trying to promote TICA at the show. Says that HHP competition is less important in CFA and the protest should be weighted accordingly. Alleges the complaint violates various U. S. Constitutional rights.

Barbara Sumner responds that there are few flights out of the area after 6:00 p.m. and the hall is quite a distance from the airport. The show started late, there were the usual scheduling conflicts with the 6x6 format, then an unexpected birthday celebration. Sumner alleges that when she warned Lynn Search the ring was running late, she was advised that Search could judge the HHP if necessary. Sumner denies ever asking anyone to present her kitten final and left believing that Search would be judging the HHPs.

The board entered a finding of no probable cause with regard to [names omitted]. They are no longer part of this proceeding.

On appeal, Barbara Sumner states that Lynn Search told her she would judge the Household Pets and she did not learn that Vanadis Crawford judged the Household Pets until a week later. She alleges that since the Household Pet class was not marked on her judging contract, she had fulfilled her contractual duties at the time of departure. She notes that she is under contract for shows in October, November and December, including one in France. She states that her actions were not meant to be a slight to Household Pets or their owners, and she received a supporting note from Melanie Morgan.

Vanadis Crawford admits to violating a show rule but alleges she did so without malice or harm to any party. She states that she felt qualified to judge Household Pets, based on past experience. She questions the severity of the penalties imposed on all who were found guilty and she realleged that the complaint violates various U.S. constitutional rights.

Lynn Search states that she told Barbara Sumner that she would judge the Household Pets for Sumner. Search asked other CFA judges present if they wished to judge the Household Pets. When they did not, she asked those judges and Household Pet exhibitors who were present if there were any rules which precluded a guest judge for Household Pets. She states that she did not know that rules were different for Household Pet judging at CFA shows versus stand-alone Household Pet shows. She raises issues as to the proportionality of the punishments imposed and she has a supporting note from Karen Bishop.

**Hamza:** Ed, before we get started, let's make sure these folks want this in open or closed session. **Raymond:** I'm sorry. Our normal practice is to conduct these hearings in closed session. You also have the option of having it in open session, which means a verbatim transcript will be published as part of the record. What is your choice for open or closed session? **Search:** Lynn Search prefers open session. Moorestown Cat Fanciers, who I am speaking for, prefers open session. **Crawford:** Vanadis Crawford wishes open session. **Sumner:** And Barbara Sumner, open session. **Raymond:** OK, thank you.

**Sumner:**

**Raymond:** My first set of questions is for Barbara. You admit in your response that you left before the Household Pet judging, correct? **Sumner:** Yes. **Raymond:** When did you learn that there was going to be a departure deadline that you would have to be out of the show hall by, I believe it was 3 or 3:30? **Sumner:** Well, I don't recall any letter or anything. It might have been there but I didn't see it. I just knew that we had to leave early because of our flights. **Raymond:** Were you informed of that before the day of the show – what time you needed to be done by – or was that something that came up that morning, after the show started? **Sumner:** No. We knew that we had to finish early because this went back probably 6 months when we all decided, when we got in touch with one another, we were going to coordinate our flights because there was only going to be one pick-up person or car, and the same with the return. We were all supposed to be finished by 3:00 so that we could be checked out and on the road by 3:30. All of our flights were within 5 or 10 minutes of one another, and we did this to help out the club, which meant that there would not be an additional night's fee for staying in a hotel room. [**Crawford** leaves the conference] I'm here. This is Barbara. **Raymond:** OK great. Thank you. **Search:** Can you hear me? This is Lynn. Apparently, Vanadis has lost the conference call. **Raymond:** We can hear you, too, Lynn. **Search:** Sorry Barb. **Sumner:** May I continue with this? **Hamza:** Yes, Barbara. Please do. **Sumner:** Alright. So, we all decided that this is what we're going to do. First of all, a couple of the judges arrived late that morning. I forget who it was. I think Gary Veach was one of them, so we didn't start until 9:15. With a 6 ring show, we usually have scheduling conflicts, but I had a lot of conflicts where I waiting in excess of 5 minutes for the cats to come to their call in my ring. I was going as fast as I possibly could, and then the club had been nice enough to get me a birthday cake. Gary Veach had also brought one from Omar, so we cut up those cakes. I remember Jill cutting them up in the ring – Jill Archibald, that is. That took probably 15 or 20 minutes. You know yourself, or anyone that is a judge, it is very, very difficult to keep the ring running smoothly at all times, and this was a really hurry-up schedule that we had. I didn't realize that Lynn couldn't do the Household Pets. I was not aware of that rule, so that is why I was running late in my ring. This club did not put on a show last year because they couldn't afford to. This year they were trying to make it happen, and we as judges really try to accommodate the needs of the club, and we keep our expenses at a bare minimum. One person said to me, "why couldn't you just have gone later and the other 3 judges could have gone?" Well, it's an hour and a half to the Philadelphia airport from Easton where we were, and I couldn't leave 5 or 10 minutes later. I had to go then or it would be a total loss, and I want everybody to keep in mind that this was Thanksgiving weekend. Thanksgiving weekend is unlike any other of the year. Fares go up. That Saturday and Sunday are the most heavily traveled days of the year, and especially Sunday. So, had we not made that flight out – 6:00 on Saturday night – we would have

had to go stand-by on Sunday. There would have been no way we could have made our flights even on Sunday, because the airlines tell you that's absolutely impossible on those heavily traveled days. So, I want everyone to keep in mind it was this weekend. It perhaps would have never come to fruition had it been any other weekend, because there would have been somebody to take the judge to the airport. OK, thank you.

**Raymond:** One more question. What were you told about the Household Pet judging and by whom? **Sumner:** Well, it was really strange because I saw Sarah Seifert the following weekend at a show and I said, "you know, I'm really sorry I didn't stay to do the Household Pets", because she's our scorer in the Southern Region and shows Household Pets all the time and I know her. She says, "well, you know, we didn't have Lynn judge. It was somebody else." I asked her who and she said Vanadis. She said, "You know, it was really fun. I wish we had guest judges more often. We know how all the judges are going to place our cats pretty much." Is anyone there or am I disconnected? **Raymond:** No, you're still here. **Hamza:** We're here. **Sumner:** That's how I knew, and then Loretta sent an email to me right after that saying, "We need to know what happened at Moorestown about the incident." Well, they were completely wrong about the incident, about me asking other judges to present my kitten finals. That was absolutely false, and if you read the emails by Melanie Morgan and Jeri Zottoli, that was confirmed. I felt badly that I wasn't able to do the Household Pets. By the time we got to that airport, they would not have made their flights, nor would I had I judged those 6 Household Pets, and I love judging Household Pets. I don't want it ever thought otherwise. In fact, Sarah Seifert sent me, once I was doing a regular ring and my ring was sponsored by Household Pets, and there was something that she said, you know, "thank you so much from all the Household Pet exhibitors and the Household Pets themselves. We love the way you remember the names, etc., etc., etc." So, I mean, if anybody has ever watched me judge Household Pets, I really take it to the next level, and especially if there is an audience.

**Raymond:** OK, thank you. Do any board members have questions for Barbara? **Hamza:** I do. Barbara, this is Jerry. How are you? **Sumner:** Yeah. Hi Jerry. **Hamza:** Just so you know, everybody doesn't know the busiest day of the year is Thanksgiving, because it's not. It's about the 10<sup>th</sup> busiest day. We looked it up. That's just a little relief. Barbara, would you have left if you had the kittens left to judge? Or the championship? Or premiership, for that matter? **Sumner:** Well, that question was asked to me by Mark [Hannon]. No, I would not have left. It's all these extenuating circumstances that made it possible for me to leave. Then, especially if you look at my contract on page C-12, if you look at the contract you will see that Household Pets aren't even X'ed in. Legally, I fulfilled my contract at the end of my championship judging. I don't like to bring that up. I wanted to stay for the Household Pets. The other judges, they are already in the car. Lynn said, "You have to go. The other judges are in the car." I knew this, and I knew what it would be if it was Thanksgiving weekend. I did not realize that it was a rule that Lynn could not do the Household Pets, but then what ultimately happened I wasn't even aware of. **Hamza:** Part of the expectation is – and since this is in open session for the record – if a judge signs a CFA contract, they are expected to judge all the cats at the show that have entered the CFA competition. I'm sorry to hear somebody thinks that a certain class can be excluded because it wasn't put on the contract. Donna Jean, I want you to make sure you work with Ed and

make sure the contracts now read that any class of cats present at the show must be judged. I'll be darned if I'll have a loophole like that hanging out. It's unconscionable.

**Meeker:** Jerry, this is Ginger. I have a question. **Hamza:** Go ahead Ginger. **Meeker:** I would like to know what the flyer for this show stated under the judging assignments. **Altschul:** Jerry, can I answer that? I'm looking at the flyer right now. **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. It says right at the top, *Household Pets Welcome*. Under all the judges, it just says *AB*.

**Mastin:** Barbara, this is Rich Mastin. I have a question. **Sumner:** Yes, Rich. **Mastin:** Did you get paid to judge the Household Pets? **Sumner:** Yes, I did. **Mastin:** Thank you.

**Hannon:** I just want to clarify for Barbara's sake that both Jeri Zottoli and Melanie Morgan have told the board that they were asked to present your finals. They were asked by Lynn. They were not asked by you, but they were asked to present your kitten finals. **Search:** No, excuse me. This is Lynn Search. They were not asked to present it. They were asked, if Barbara ran out of time, was it allowed that another judge be handed her list and present her final. **Hannon:** I think that's what I just said. **Search:** I was told, "No, definitely that can't be done." That issue was immediately dropped. **Eigenhauser:** Lynn, this is George. You sound like you're in the middle of the Grand Canyon. I'm getting a horrible echo. **Search:** I don't know what I can do, George. I'm not on speaker.

**Altschul:** Hi Barbara. **Sumner:** Hi. **Altschul:** I just had two questions. Did you ever get a copy of the show flyer from the club? **Sumner:** No, but I usually print them out. I don't get flyers from many, many clubs and I don't remember if I got one from this club or not, but I do always print them out. **Altschul:** So you feel like you did definitely print out this show flyer? **Sumner:** Yes. **Altschul:** OK. My second question might seem odd, but the airline that you flew out on, is it the airline you normally fly, or did you try to get a different one so it would be a cheaper flight? Is it your normal airline? **Sumner:** No, I went on my normal airline. It was as cheap as any of them. **Altschul:** So, the airline you fly on, you probably have pretty good status? **Sumner:** Yeah, I have good status. **Altschul:** So, you would be one of the first people to be able to get a flight if there was an opening? **Sumner:** If there was an opening, maybe. I don't know. It also has to do with the price of fare you pay. I got the cheapest, cheapest fare you can get. **Hamza:** Can you tell me what airline you're with? **Sumner:** Pardon me? **Hamza:** What airline do you use? **Sumner:** Mostly Delta.

**Raymond:** Any other questions for Barbara? **Roy:** Sharon. **Hamza:** Go ahead Sharon. **Roy:** Barbara, just a quick question. At any time before all this happened late in the show did the show committee ever discuss with you any other options to completing the Household Pets or completing the schedule in general? Did they come up and say, "hey, we're having this party and we know you're running late. Can we just move on?" Or anything like that? **Sumner:** No. I just knew that all the other judges had been checked out and they were in the car waiting for me, and I either had the option to complete the Household Pets or to make sure that everybody made their flights, and I chose the latter because Lynn told me she could do the Household Pets and it would not be breaking a show rule. I did not know the difference. **Hamza:** I have one more question for you. **Sumner:** Yes? **Hamza:** If it was championship at the end of the day – **Hannon:** She already

said she would have judged them. **Hamza:** You would have stayed. **Sumner:** I don't know what I would have done, to tell you the truth, because that wasn't an option. It was the Household Pets, and it was only 6 of them; whereas championship, many, many more. I was not – absolutely not giving the Household Pets a lesser stature, and I even apologized to Sarah the following weekend before I even knew that this was a problem.

**Eigenhauser:** George here. **Hamza:** Go ahead George. **Eigenhauser:** We've kind of danced around it, but I just want to be sure I'm clear in my own mind. When the show started – the morning of – were you aware at the time the show started that you were expected to judge Household Pets? **Sumner:** Yes, I believed I was. In my mind. **Hamza:** They were in your judge's book, correct? **Sumner:** Yes, and I was hoping that I would get to them, but because of the cake and the celebration and the whole business there which put us behind, I felt like in order for this club to survive, we needed to really help them out any way we could. **Altschul:** This is Carissa. **Sumner:** When I left, I knew in my mind I thought the Household Pets were being judged by a CFA judge. I didn't think that it was any show rule. **Hamza:** Carissa, did you have a question? **Altschul:** Yes. What was the number of cats present in the show? **Hamza:** We have that right here. **Raymond:** 132. **Altschul:** 132? That wasn't entered, that was present? **Hamza:** Present. **Altschul:** What time did the show begin? **Hamza:** 9:15 is what we have down. **Altschul:** My last question for Barbara, you mentioned that there was only 6 Household Pets and that championship was a much larger number. **Sumner:** Right. **Altschul:** If there had been a larger number of Household Pets, would you have felt differently? If there had been 20 Household Pets or 25, I'm curious what number – **Sumner:** None of the other judges were going to have to stay over a day or two. **Altschul:** So, it wasn't the number of Household Pets, it was just that it was Household Pets. **Sumner:** No, it wasn't because it was Household Pets. It was because someone else, in my mind, could judge the Household Pets, whereas they couldn't judge my championship. When I heard this business about me asking Melanie and Jeri to present my kitten finals, I had to laugh. That's part of the protest. That isn't even true. You have it in their emails that it wasn't true. I'm saying that this was a circumstance that would probably never happen again, but it was because it was that weekend. If everyone knew how far in advance we try to get our tickets to keep the expenses low, you would understand. It was just something I had to do.

**Wilson:** This is Annette. **Hamza:** Go ahead Annette. **Wilson:** Hi Barb. I understand what it's like when there's a lot of pressure and the scheduling and everything else. There's only certain things we can control as judges. We can control how long we go to the bathroom or how many times we go, how much time we take for breaks. In retrospect, would you have cut this birthday celebration short, had you known it was going to delay you at the end of the day? **Sumner:** I certainly would have, but it was all such a surprise and it was really kind of like a shock. It's not often you get birthday cakes, and it was both for Melanie and myself. She had just had her birthday and my birthday was the following Tuesday. It was her celebration, too. **Wilson:** Was it held in your ring? **Sumner:** Yes, and Jill cut that big, big 24" sheet-sized cake in my ring. She is very, very precise with each piece she cut. And then everybody came over and were wishing us happy birthday. I wasn't thinking about the Household Pets then because I thought I could finish the schedule. As it was, I was waiting for cats. **Wilson:** OK, thank you. **Sumner:** And that was a problem. **Wilson:** Thank you.

**Hamza:** Barbara, I have one more question for you and then we'll move on. Do you understand that when people pay their fees to enter a show, they expect to be judged by every judge on that flyer? **Sumner:** Yes, I realize that. **Hamza:** And do you think they have a right to that? **Sumner:** Well, I do think they have a right to that, but I thought that they would have the right to it if Lynn judged them instead of me, so that we could make our flights on time. **Hamza:** Alright. Thank you Barbara. **Sumner:** You're welcome. I just want to say one other thing, too. We did have a little bit of a gate, and all of those who know me on this board know that I try to make it really interesting and fun for the exhibitors of Household Pets and for the gate. If I'm having kittens, if I'm having championship or whatever, I want to see that gate because I know how important that is for future shows in that area. **Raymond:** Thank you.

**CLOSING. Sumner:** I just want you all to realize that when this took place is a big part of it, being Thanksgiving weekend, and I certainly would like for you to bear in mind that I have been associated with CFA since 1973 and have been a judge since 1987. I have had no protests. I didn't realize I was breaking a show rule or I would have never done it. That's all. Thank you. **Hamza:** Thank you Barbara.

### Search and Moorestown:

**Hannon:** Why don't we move on to Lynn? **Raymond:** Alright. Lynn, a couple of questions for you please. **Search:** Yes, I'm here. Can you hear me? **Raymond:** Yes, loud and clearly. Really just a general question for you. What did you tell Barbara Sumner and when did you tell it to her? **Search:** I told Barbara that if she didn't have time to finish the Household Pets, that I would judge them for her. In hindsight, had I judged them for her, I don't think there would be a protest because that would have been within the CFA show rules. I admitted in my very first letter and in my second letter that I got busy because it was toward the end of the show. We were later than we thought we would be, and by mistake, I thought it was alright for someone to do a guest judging. Vanadis Crawford had judged with no problems 26, I think it was, Household Pets at a CFA show for Tarheel Triangle in May of 2008. So, it seemed like a way to get the Household Pets judged properly and my not either having to rush or make them wait, since I was busy doing show treasurer and show manager duties. **Raymond:** OK, thank you. Questions from the board?

**Hannon:** Lynn, this is Mark. In regard to the earlier show in May for Tarheel, was that a stand-alone Household Pet show or was the similar to Moorestown, where the Household Pets were integrated into the regular show? **Search:** No, that was a stand-alone Household Pet show. That was back in the days when we could get 225 and we had 4 guest judges. **Hannon:** OK, thanks.

**Raymond:** Any other questions for Lynn? **Hamza:** Lynn? **Search:** Yes, I'm here. **Hamza:** I'm going to ask you the same question I asked Barbara. Don't you think that when people pay their entry fee, they are entitled to be judged by the judges on the flyer? **Search:** There is a show rule, and unfortunately I can't find it right now, that allows for certain classes to be judged by others than those listed on the flyer. Kittens are one of them, Household Pets are another. We would have loved Barbara to have had enough time. As Barbara mentioned to you, the judges were coming over from the hotel in two cars. They were being brought by judges who

had driven to the show. One of the cars was late – 15 minutes late – so we got started at 9:15. In hindsight, it might have been nice to have said we can't do this birthday party now, we'll do it at the end of the day if there's time enough, but nobody wanted to spoil the party and so we had it at lunch time. That probably – those two gaps in time – Barbara probably would have finished everything and left at the time that the driver had to leave, to get them to the airport. But hindsight is 20/20.

**Raymond:** Any other questions for Lynn? **Roy:** Yeah, this is Sharon. Lynn, at what time did you tell Barbara? Was it right before she had to leave, or was it earlier in the day, that the Household Pets would be done by somebody else, if need be? Do you remember? **Search:** I'm not completely sure what time. I don't know if I said it to her like after lunch or if I said it to her when it was getting close to 3:30 and she was finishing up her kitten final.

**Raymond:** Anything else? Anyone else have a question? **Hamza:** Yeah, I have one more question now that I'm sitting here thinking about it. Lynn, did you know that this was a violation of show rules? **Search:** No, I didn't, Jerry. What I did was, I asked the master clerk, Melanie Morgan, and Jeri Zottoli was sitting with her. Both of them said they weren't aware of a rule that it couldn't be done by a guest judge. Sarah Seifert, who is the unofficial scorer, since CFA doesn't officially score the Household Pets, she's from the Southern Region and even though it was a North Atlantic Region show, I asked her because I thought she would know. She said no, she didn't know. We also said to the Household Pet people, "How do you feel about having a guest judge?" They were all fine about it. Because I didn't know where to find it in the show rules and had a lot going on, I didn't sit down and look through the show rules. It isn't listed in Household Pet in the index. I found it in one of the rules it was listed by the CFA Board, and that's where it says Household Pets are to be judged by a judge or a trainee. I actually can't find anything in the current show rules about being allowed to use guests at a stand-alone, but I'll admit that I did not read the rules from cover to cover, to try to find out about that. Had I known that it was a rule, if I needed to I would have asked them to wait 1/2 hour to 45 minutes for me to complete some of my other jobs and I would have done it. Like Barbara, I also love the Household Pets. I have had nothing but compliments from the Household Pet exhibitors when I judge their cats. I have been told that I really make them feel like they are important and they mean something when I judge them. So, I would never have done anything that I didn't think was for the best for Household Pets, and not to rush them and to give them a really good judging. **Hamza:** Did you ever offer them any kind of refund? **Search:** Nobody wanted a refund. They all said they were fine with being judged by a guest. As a matter of fact, I got back into that back room just as the final was finishing up and saw Vanadis present her final two cats, and the girl Carol Thompson, who got best Household Pet in Vanadis' ring, made a comment that we should really have guest judges more often. They really enjoyed her judging and nobody would have wanted money refunded because Sarah Seifert said they would all be scored in their region. If anyone wanted the money, I would have said to them, "if you don't want Vanadis, give me a half hour to 45 minutes and then I would be able to do the judging." It wasn't that I didn't want to do them. It was a very hectic time in the show. **Hamza:** Carissa. **Altschul:** Thank you. When you gave them the option of having a guest judge, was it presented to them, "you can have a guest judge or you won't be judged at all"? **Search:** No, because that is not the case, Carissa. They would have had to wait, but the show wasn't over. There were still 2 rings going on in the main



room. At that show hall we have to use 2 rooms to put judging rings, and since we had 4 judges who were trying to be done early. The other 2 judges, we said to them, “take your time for gate” and what have you. We had things still going on in the other room. There was no way that they would not have been judged. **Altschul:** I was just asking how you presented it to them. Did you say, “Hey, Barbara’s got to go. Is it OK if you have this other judge?” Did you present to them at that time that they could wait for you, or were you just saying they could have a guest judge or we don’t have a judge? **Search:** Never was it said we don’t have a judge. We said to them, “Would you like to have a guest judge, as long as it’s not against the show rules and it would be scored?” Nobody knew it was against the show rules, so we all were guilty of not knowing that. And we definitely had it confirmed for us by the official/unofficial Southern Region scorer that yes, the Household Pets would be scored in that ring. **Hamza:** And nobody there questioned that a non-CFA judge’s judging would be scored by CFA? **Search:** Excuse me, Jerry. CFA did not score the Household Pets. They are scored unofficially in the region. I don’t know if all the regions give awards to Household Pets. I know the Southern Region started giving them in 2008, and they have a regional scorer who is not official for CFA. She just volunteers and scores the Household Pets. **Hannon:** It’s the same in every region. **Hamza:** Yeah, but don’t the rosettes at the end of the season say CFA on the rosettes? **Search:** I’m sorry. **Hamza:** We’re talking on the board here. I have the former Southern Regional Director and the current Southern Regional Director. My question to them was, do the rosettes that they hand out at the end of the year have the CFA logo on them? So, that would make the scoring in the end officially sanctioned by CFA. **Hannon:** We also place ads in the Yearbook which have photos of the Household Pets that got the regional awards.

**CLOSING. Hamza:** Lynn. **Search:** OK, this is Lynn. First, I would like to say that I don’t think Barbara broke any show rules. I will certainly admit that as a show manager, I did break a show rule because I didn’t look up and find out that a CFA judge or trainee had to be the person judging Household Pets. I went by what I thought from past experience. However, like Barbara, I have been in the cat fancy since 1975. I have shown Household Pets. I have been an advocate of Household Pets from the very beginning. In the NAR, they didn’t award Household Pets for a long time. Both Karen Bishop and I used to try to talk them into giving awards, and we even had them finally give a Household Pet exhibitor of the year award in the NAR because they wouldn’t award Household Pets back then when we first started out. I am a big supporter of Household Pets. What I did was not done to harm the Household Pets, it was to give them the best experience possible at the time, because I was very busy, very stressed, but I would have done it because I love the Household Pets and always have and always will. I always tell the Household Pet people that they are the backbone of the cat fancy. When we look at some of our exhibitors, some people started out with pedigreed cats, but a lot of people started out with Household Pets and worked their way up to, “Gee, I really like the look of that Persian or that Exotic or that British Shorthair,” and became a breeder because they started out showing their Household Pet. So, I think anybody who knows me well knows that I love and honor the Household Pets. I’m sorry that a rule was broken and I am sorry that at that particular show that happened, because it was such a hectic time. I don’t know if anybody read the paperwork, but we wound up, as Barbara said, it was actually 3 years ago because this show was in 2012. In 2010 we lost money, so we didn’t have a show in 2011, and we came back and tried again in 2012. The 4 fly-in judges, I have emails from Bob Goltzer about, “we have really worked hard and we

worked it out so everybody can leave at the same time, and we're hoping you'll be financially successful." Well, with all the help we got from all our judges, we still lost \$332. That's not a major loss like the loss in 2010, but it certainly was one of the things that we did to try not to lose money, because if Barbara had been able to get on a Sunday flight, she still would have had a hotel at the airport, which would have been extremely expensive for the club. Everybody did what they did to try to help the club survive, and to do what was best for the Household Pets. Nothing was malice.

**Crawford:**

**Hannon:** Why don't we move on to Vanadis? **Hamza:** OK. **Raymond:** Vanadis, are you back on the phone? **Crawford:** Yes. I ended up having to give up with my phone. It kept overheating. I'm here. Can you hear me? **Raymond:** Yes, we can hear you just fine. I really don't have much in the way of questions for you, because your response admits that you are now aware that you broke a show rule. Do you have any comment you want to make? **Crawford:** Yes, I do. Basically, what I would like to say and I would like the board to really be looking at is, first of all, the extremity of the penalties that have been put on everyone that's involved with this. Basically, we have a situation where I stepped in to help. So, if there is a police officer that sees somebody running across the street to help out somebody that's fallen, they're not going to cite that person with a jaywalking ticket. That's pretty much what I did. I mean yes, OK, I admit I broke a rule, but the thing is, it was done not with malice and forethought. It was not done with any sort of harmful intent. I had, as Lynn mentioned, judged a CFA show in 2008, along with 3 other guest judges. I was not aware that there was a rule that that was not permitted at this point in time. I'm now aware of that. Probably the biggest penalty, as I mentioned in my letter, is now the fact that I'm never going to be able to judge the Household Pets again. I love Household Pets dearly. As has been mentioned in some of the correspondence, there seems to be this implication that I am some sort of a person that has tried to proselytize TICA across CFA. That is not my intention. I am a cat fancier in the truest sense of the word. I love cats. I love all cats. I just happen to have shown in TICA, as well as CFA. So, if you look at my background, which I did provide in my response, I have a lot of experience with Household Pets. I love doing it for them. If I was asked to do it again, if I was allowed to do it again, I would be more than happy to do it again.

**Raymond:** Thank you. Does anyone on the board have questions for Vanadis? Any closing statements any of you would like to make before we let you go? **Sumner:** I have one. **Hamza:** Alright. We'll start with Barbara, we'll go to Lynn and then Vanadis, in the order they were heard.

**CLOSING. Crawford:** I guess it's my turn now, unless somebody wants to break in. **Hamza:** No, go ahead. **Crawford:** OK. I pretty much have said my statement, but I do have a question for the board, and it's a question about due process, since I have never been through this with you guys. My question is, what are the next steps? Because all of us who were involved with the protest weren't even aware this was being brought up in a hearing at the Annual, and then there were people that were friends of ours that heard about our penalties before we even got any sort of official notification from CFA. **Hamza:** Let me apologize first of all for the leaks in the CFA Board. That was done in closed session, and I'm ashamed at the way this board leaks.

That should have never happened. As far as where we go from here, I'll let Ed outline the remainder of the process. **Raymond:** Sure. The board will deliberate and reach a decision over the next few days, and you will hear from me, most likely a letter that will be an attachment to an email, to get it to you as quickly as possible, probably by the end of next week. **Crawford:** OK, thank you. That would be very, very helpful, because this whole process, I'll be honest, for me personally, has been very disconcerting and certainly nothing that I would expect of an organization of the longevity and strength of CFA since this has happened. So, I appreciate that this is going to be handled in a much smoother fashion. **Hamza:** It's supposed to be. I can't help board leaks. Unfortunately, we've got a board of 20 people. We all take an oath of confidentiality at the Sunday meeting, and I guess some of us take that oath more seriously than others. **Crawford:** We didn't even know there was going to be a hearing at the Annual. I was surprised there even was a hearing without us even being aware of it. **Anger:** You didn't receive the letter dated January 7, 2013, addressed to Moorestown, [names omitted], Barbara Sumner, Lynn Search, [name omitted] and Vanadis Crawford outlining the – **Crawford:** We received a letter that said that we would be needing to respond, which we responded in our original letters, and there was sort of an indication in there, at the next board meeting there might be something discussed. That next board meeting would have been February. It wasn't discussed until June, so we all thought it had gone by the wayside, and everything was cool and copasetic. **Hamza:** It gets turned into the Protest Committee, and they held it until June. George might want to chime in here on it, but they have many protests come through. These things take their time to wind through. At our 3 major meetings, we like to hear the protests so it would have naturally come through. If it wasn't in time for February, it would have come through in June. **Raymond:** Just to clarify the – **Crawford:** OK, well that was not made clear to people. I cannot speak for Barbara. I am not Barbara. I can speak for myself. I can speak for Lynn because we've spoken about it, that that was not clear to us that when February comes, that it was going to be brought up in June. That may be a process improvement that CFA may like to take under consideration, just like the process, Jerry, that you are suggesting of changing the judges' contract to make it amply clear that if you are judging allbreed or double specialty, you are judging all the cats. For somebody new, this just came to us basically as rolling over with a steam roller.

**Hamza:** Alright, and I'm just going to say one thing and then we're going to be done. The board's concern, beyond the rules being broken, is a valid concern about how we treat the people in the Household Pet division. As Lynn duly noted, we recognize that a lot of our exhibitors do come from those ranks, and we also recognize that it's important to treat them well early on. That's been a large part of the board's concern about this whole process. It's not only how we do things and why we do things, but how it looks. Sometimes appearances are as important as the process itself. Having said that, that's been one of the concerns of the board, so if this hearing makes the CFA judges and the show-producing clubs more aware and more sensitive, that when we sign a contract to judge a show, that means we're contracted to judge all the classes, and when we include Household Pets into our shows, that they have to be treated like every other class. The show committees always have the option to have Household Pets at the show or not, but once they make the decision to include them into the shows, then it's their responsibility to make sure that those people get treated the very same as every other class, and they pay the very same money as every other class. So, now I'm going to say good-bye to Barbara, Lynn and Vanadis, and thank you for coming in. This is not going to be an easy

deliberation for the board. **Crawford:** We're all looking forward to hearing the results of the deliberations shortly. **Sumner:** This is Barbara. I do have a number of contracts coming up very, very shortly, one in France. Airline tickets have been purchased. I don't know how this is going to go over with them. **Hamza:** Barbara, we will get our decision as fast as possible. **Sumner:** OK good. Thank you. **Hamza:** Alright. Bye.

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**Disciplinary Hearings And Suspensions:** Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to the Board. The following case was heard, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the parties, and no appeal and/or appeal fee was filed. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

- 13-014**      **CFA v. Zhang, Wen Ru**  
***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4a & 4g***  
*Administrative suspension of all CFA services until Respondent completes and passes a CFA cattery environment inspection. If Respondent successfully conducts such an inspection and pays the applicable late fees the matter can be reopened for further consideration.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).
- 13-018**      **CFA v. Cline, Trudy**  
***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4a & 4g***  
*Administrative suspension of all CFA services until Respondent completes and passes a CFA cattery environment inspection. If Respondent successfully conducts such an inspection and pays the applicable late fees the matter can be reopened for further consideration.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).
- 13-012**      **CFA v. Leonova, Nataliya**  
***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4g (conduct detrimental)***  
*GUILTY. Sentence of \$750 fine and restitution to Kirkhope in the sum of \$3,076.22; both to be paid within 30 days or Respondent shall be suspended until fine and restitution paid.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).
- 13-015**      **CFA v. Cullipher, Amber (aka Amber Easley)**  
***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4b (registration misrepresentation)***  
***Improper claim of CFA Cattery of Excellence***  
*GUILTY. Sentence of \$500 fine and a three month suspension of all CFA services; and reimburse CFA \$10.00 for each litter and each kitten in each litter of the three incorrectly registered litters to offset the expenses of reregistration. Suspension to continue until fine and reimbursement are paid. CFA to reregister*

*the three litters and all kittens in that litter to reflect correct breeder.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).

**13-016**      **CFA v. Grin, Olivier; Van Eljik, Monique and Vetger, Remco**  
***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4g***  
*GUILTY. Respondents to be sent letters of reprimand.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).

**13-017**      **CFA v. Wintershoven, Henny**  
***Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4g***  
*GUILTY. Sentence of \$500 fine and a letter of reprimand.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).

**13-019**      **CFA v. Webster, Howard**  
***Violation of Show Rule 11.26***  
*GUILTY. Respondent to be sent a letter of reprimand.*  
**Motion Carried** (vote sealed).

Respectfully submitted,  
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