

**DATE:** 03/23/2021

**BALLOT NUMBER:** BB21-04

**SUBJECT:** Extension of suspension of rules relating to eligibility for Regional Awards

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**REQUESTED BY:** Vicki Jo Harrison

**BALLOT: Amend Standing Rules 901.4.3.2 and 901.4.3.4 (eligibility for Regional Awards)** For the 2021-2022 show season suspend the requirement that a cat/kitten must be shown at least once in that region to be eligible for a regional award and also delay the implementation of the amendment to Standing Rule 901.4.3.4 (requiring a minimum of aggregate points for RWs) to go into effect May 01, 2022 for the 2022/2023 and all following show seasons.

**901.4.3.2** In order for a cat/kitten to be eligible for a regional award, it must be shown at least once in that region. An exception will be made in the case of kittens and household pet kittens in that a show as an adult will fill the requirement that they be shown one time in the region. This rule is suspended for the 2020/2021 **and 2021/2022** show seasons.

**901.4.3.4** Regional Awards. Regional Awards will be presented to the 25 cats, kittens, alters, household pets, household pet kittens and 25 longhair cats and 25 shorthair cats having the highest aggregate points of all cats, kittens, alters, household pets and household pet kittens, as applicable in the region, beginning with show season ~~2021/2022~~ **2022/2023** the aggregate points must be at least 1,000 (600 for International area). The following requirement is suspended for the 2020/2021 **and 2021/2022** show seasons: In order to receive a Regional Award, the owner of the cat, kitten, alter, household pet and household pet kitten must have exhibited the cat, kitten, alter, household pet or household pet kitten, as applicable, in at least one TICA sanctioned cat show in the regions presenting the award during the show year for which the regional award was earned. All awards earned during the show year will be listed accordingly for every region or recognized area and internationally.

**YES:** Antenucci, Armel, Brooks, Brown, Faccioli, Hawksworth-Weitz, Ishimura, Joseph, Lawson, Meserve, Russo, Shi, Stadter, van Mullem

**NON-VOTING:** Harrison, Rudge

**RATIONALE:** At the Special Board Meeting on 10 March 2021, the Board agreed that, given the current state of the Covid-19 pandemic, it was necessary to extend the suspension of certain Standing Rules for the 2020/2021 show season (BB20-05) to include the 2021/2022 season as well.

This Board Ballot has Passed.