



The International Cat Association, Inc.

Standing Rules

PREFACE

to By-Laws, Registration Rules, Show Rules, Standing Rules
Uniform Color Descriptions and Standards

The By-Laws take precedence over ALL other Rules, followed by the Registration Rules, Show Rules, Standing Rules, and Uniform Color Descriptions, in that order. The Registration Rules, Show Rules, Standing Rules, and Uniform Color Descriptions shall take precedence over any individual Breed Standard UNLESS that Standard is MORE restrictive than the general rules applying to ALL breeds, in which case the Standard shall take precedence.

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Standing Rules

101 **Name.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE ONE)

101.1 The TICA logo is the registered trademark of The International Cat Association, Inc., therefore, its use by others is restricted.

102 **Objects and Powers.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWO)

102.1 Mission Statement. The International Cat Association (TICA), the world's largest genetic registry of purebred and household pet cats and one of the world's largest sanctioning bodies for cat shows, has the following mission:

102.1.1 To encourage its members to be caring, responsible owners and breeders of cats who work together to promote the preservation of pedigreed cats and the health and welfare of all domestic cats.

102.1.2 To have the most accurate and comprehensive certified pedigree registry in the world.

102.1.3 To provide sanctioned cat shows which promote both pedigreed and non-pedigreed cats in a professional manner and which are both enjoyable and educational for exhibitors, judges and the general public.

102.1.4 To encourage its members to take an active role in the community to foster responsible spay/neuter awareness through public education, to become active in voluntary service at local animal shelters or outreach programs for schools and/or senior or disabled citizens, and to become involved in citizen advisory groups to foster responsible legislation regarding the health and welfare of cats.

102.1.5 To promote friendly relations between breeders in this country and other countries around the world.

102.1.6 To disseminate information to breeders, owners, exhibitors, and the general public concerning breeding, exhibition, improvement of breeds, the care and welfare of all cats and to provide materials and information regarding feline issues of regional or international importance.

102.1.7 To set up a foundation to encourage research on feline health issues and to provide readily available lists of resource materials on health issues to its members.

102.2 Policy Statement. The International Cat Association (TICA), the world's largest genetic registry of pedigreed and non-pedigreed cats and one of the world's largest sanctioning bodies for cat shows, is committed to the promotion, protection and preservation of both pedigreed and non-pedigreed cats. We believe that:

102.2.1 The responsible breeding of pedigreed cats is of value to society because it preserves the distinct characteristics of individual domestic breeds of cats and ensures the continuation of predictable physical and behavioral traits for the admiration and the enjoyment of all cat lovers today as well as for future generations.

102.2.2 It is the obligation of both The International Cat Association and its members to promote the welfare of all cats through education and the use of ethical breeding practices which will help reduce the number of unwanted, unnecessary or unplanned litters.

102.2.3 While recognizing the burden placed on animal welfare agencies, shelters, and pounds which work with homeless pets, the euthanasia of healthy adoptable animals is an anathema to society and fosters the devaluation of all life.

102.2.4 All cat lovers should cooperate with other animal lovers to promote solutions to overpopulation which will:

102.2.4.1 Reduce the number of stray animals by promoting the increased use of permanent pet identification which more readily ensures the return of lost animals to their owners.

102.2.4.2 Reduce the number of feral cats by promoting local governmental/animal shelter support for trap, test, vaccinate, alter and release programs.

102.2.4.3 Decrease the number of animals born each year, both planned and unplanned, by supporting spay/neuter awareness programs and by promoting spay/neuter of all non-purebred kittens and kittens sold as pets.

102.2.5 Legislative Policy: TICA will OPPOSE legislation regarding licensing, limits, mandatory microchip programs, mandatory data kept by animal control, and taxation on pets or pet products. TICA will generally SUPPORT efforts to improve shelter conditions, voluntary microchip programs, trap-(test)-neuter-(vaccinate)-release programs, and fund raising programs such as vanity license plates which designate part of the income for animal welfare and educational programs. NOTE: The items in parenthesis are not done in all communities that have feral programs.

103 **Membership.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE THREE)

103.1 Membership Data. No membership data will be sold or otherwise provided to any TICA member by the Executive Office except as follows:

103.1.1 The TICA member must currently be in good standing.

103.1.2 The TICA member must agree that the Membership Data will be used only for a stated purpose, which is related to TICA's business, such as a mailing to members about shows, a pending election, a proposal to amend the Show Rules, a new TICA club, or the like.

103.1.3 The member must agree not to copy or reuse the Membership Data, or to transfer the Membership Data to any other person or organization.

103.1.4 If the Membership Data is provided on a form other than one-time use labels, all copies of it will be returned to TICA when the intended use is finished.

103.1.5 The Membership Data provided will contain only names and mailing addresses, unless specifically approved by the Board of Directors.

103.3.1 Membership dues shall be as follows:

Regular	\$35	5-year Regular	\$160
Family	\$15	5-year International	\$180
Junior	\$15	5-Year Fam/Junior	\$ 65
International	\$40	5-Year International Fam/Jr	\$ 85
International Family	\$20	Life	\$1000
International Junior	\$ 20		

103.3.1.1 No matter when in a membership year (i.e. May 1 - April 30) a person joins TICA, he/she must renew that membership on May in accordance with By-Laws 113.1, 113.1.1 and 113.1.2.

103.3.1.2 Memberships paid in April expire on April 30th of the following year.

103.3.1.3 Membership dues are not prorated.

104 **Breed Sections.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE FOUR)

104.2 Each Breed/Breed Group Section is strongly encouraged to present at least one Breed/Breed Group Seminar every 3 years.

105 **Elected Officials.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE FIVE)

105.2.1 Breed Committees. The number of breed Committee members shall be determined by the number of Breed Section Members as of April 30th of the election year as extracted from the membership program. The following formula will be applied:

Under 75 Breed Section Members:	3 Committee Members
75-150 Breed Section Members:	5 Committee Members
Over 150 Breed Section Members:	7 Committee Members

105.2.2 The filing fee for election to Breed Committees is \$10.

106 **Appointed Officials, Committees, and Employees.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE SIX)

106.2.1 Every 4 years and beginning at the 2018 Spring Meeting the Board of Directors shall appoint the members of the Judging Committee following the process outlined in Standing Ruling 106.4.6.

106.2.2 Every 4 years and beginning at the 2018 Spring Meeting the TICA Judging Administrator and Deputy Judging Administrator will be selected as provided in Standing Rule 106.4.7. Add New 106.4.6 and 106.4.7

106.4 Standing Committees. The President, with the advice of the Board of Directors, shall appoint persons knowledgeable in the fields specified to serve on the following standing committees. Any other committees, which from time to time may be necessary and proper for the effective and efficient operation of the Association, may be created by the President and appointments to them made by the President, with the advice of the Board. Rules committee shall have a chairperson, members as needed and a board member who works with the committee as a liaison director. Board members may not be included in the Rules committee other than the liaison.

106.4.1 Rules Committee. To review all proposed amendments to the By-Laws, Show Rules, Registration Rules and Standards of the Association, to note other rules affected by the proposed change and to ensure that the proper terms are used to convey the meaning intended and to ensure uniformity of terminology throughout the By-Laws, Show Rules and Standards of the Association.

106.4.2 Genetics Committee. To advise the Board of Directors in any matter relating to breeds, breeding, colors, deformities or any other matter in the field of genetics.

106.4.3 Legal Committee. To advise the Board of Directors on legal rights, obligations, and liabilities and to offer legal opinions and interpretations of proposed amendments to By-Laws, Show Rules, Registration Rules and Standards of the Association, and to offer advice regarding other matters which may affect the Association including contracts and agreements; to investigate and advise the Board of the facts surrounding complaints, to act as hearing officers or in any other matters delegated by the Board of Directors. The chairperson is authorized to appoint any such ad hoc committee as may be advisable to assist with such investigations.

106.4.4 Feline Welfare Committee. The role of the Feline Welfare Committee is to assist TICA members with feline welfare issues, to make recommendations to the TICA Board of Directors regarding programs to promote feline welfare and responsible breeding, to create and assist in programs that will aid TICA members with feline welfare issues and to assist in the resolution of complaints made to TICA regarding the welfare of cats.

106.4.5 Legislative Committee. To identify legislation and areas affected; to coordinate with other animal organizations to defuse any negative action that would endanger the continuation of owning, breeding or showing cats; to solicit support of the Regional Director in a target area who will appoint two regional members for the purpose of encouraging attendance at meetings and/or writing letters to the people responsible for passing laws/ordinances.

106.4.6 Judging Committee. The Role of the Judging Committee is to administer non-disciplinary matters related to the Judging Program. This includes, but is not limited to, acceptances into or advancements within the program, continuing education and testing. The Committee may make recommendations to the Board of Directors for changes to the Judging Program.

106.4.6.1 The Judging Committee shall be comprised of Ring and School Instructors and/or experienced Approved Allbreed Judges representing four international areas: North America, Europe, Asia and South America plus International (non-voting Regional Area).

106.4.6.2 The Judging Committee members shall be elected by the participants of the Judging Program of the international area where they reside to serve a term of 4 years or until a successor is appointed in the event of a vacancy. The Board of Directors shall appoint a qualified judge from the international area where the vacancy occurs to complete the balance of the unexpired term.

106.4.6.3 The number of Judging Committee members representing each international area shall be determined by the number of participants in the Judging Program for that particular area as of January 31 of the election year.

The following formula will be applied: Under 20 participants of the Judging Program: 1 committee member; 20-45 participants of the Judging Program: 3 committee members; over 45 participants of the Judging Program: 5 committee members.

106.4.6.4 In the event of a two-way or greater tie, the Board of Directors will determine the final appointment(s).

106.4.6.5 Candidates for election to Judging Committee shall provide documentation of having met the following requirements for election:

106.4.6.5.1 Have met the requirements to vote in any TICA election and serve on any TICA Committee which requires extended membership.

106.4.6.5.2 Be a licensed TICA Ring and School Instructor and/or an Approved Allbreed Judge with a minimum of 5 years' experience as an Approved Allbreed judge.

106.4.6.6 Time of the Election. Beginning in April 2018 the election of the Judging Committee members shall take place every 4 years by ballot of the participants of the Judging Program.

106.4.6.7 Announcement of Candidates. Any Ring and School Instructor and/or experienced Approved Allbreed Judge shall be eligible as Judging Committee member and shall declare his/her candidacy in writing to the Executive Office not more than 4 months nor less than 2 months before the election month.

106.4.6.8 All voting of the participants in the Judging Program shall be by secret ballot and known only by the firm counting the ballot.

106.4.6.9 Electronic Ballots are sent to Judging Program participants on April 1st. Voting will close on 1 May, after which the ballots are counted.

106.4.7 The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint two members of the Judging Committee as TICA Judging Administrator and Deputy Judging Administrator. The TICA Judging Administrator is the chairperson of the Judging Committee.

107 **Duties of Officers.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE SEVEN)

108 **Business Manager/Executive Secretary.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE EIGHT)

109 **Meetings of the Board of Directors.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE NINE)

109.1 Annual Convention.

109.1.1 Annual Convention. Labor Day weekend each year is reserved for the Annual Convention. No other shows may be held the weekend of the Annual Convention with the following exception. A club may receive permission to hold a show on the Annual weekend upon application to the Board.

Application must state specific reasons for the request for exemption and why such a show would have no impact on the Annual.

109.1.1.1 The rotation for the Annual Conventions shall be: South Central - 2017, Southeast - 2018, Mid Pacific 2019, Mid Atlantic - 2020, Northern Europe - 2021, Great Lakes - 2022, Northwest 2023, Northeast 2024, Southwest 2025, Southern Europe - 2026, South Central 2027.

109.1.1.2 Proposals to host the Annual Convention in the designated region must be received for the Annual Meeting 3 years prior to the proposed convention.

109.1.1.3 In the event no club submits an acceptable proposal, any club in any region may submit a proposal to host the Annual Convention by the agenda deadline for the Winter Meeting 2½ years prior to the convention and a notice soliciting such proposals shall be published in the TICA TREND.

109.1.1.4 The subsequent designated order of rotation will remain the same.

109.2 Meetings of the Board.

109.2.1 Meetings of the Board shall be held in January (Winter Meeting), in May (Spring Meeting) and the week immediately preceding Labor Day weekend (TICA Annual). All of these Board Meetings shall be scheduled for a minimum of 2 days.

109.2.1.6 A detailed Agenda for each regularly scheduled Board meeting shall be supplied to all Board members, and also published on the TICA web site, at least 30 days prior to the opening day of each Board Meeting.

109.2.2 The Winter and Spring meetings may be held in person, or electronically at the discretion of the Board.

109.2.3 Any club may apply to the Board to hold a show in conjunction with either the Winter or Spring Meeting.

109.2.3.1 The meeting venue must be at or near a major international airport at a hotel with adequate meeting space, full restaurant service and airport shuttle.

109.2.4 Additional meetings of the Board may be held in accordance with By Law 19.2.1.

109.2.4 Minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be completed within 10 working days following the meeting.

109.3 Time Limit for Board Meetings. Any input to any subject being at issue before the Board of Directors by anyone, other than a duly elected Regional Director or other duly elected officer of TICA, unless requested by the Board of Directors, shall be limited to a maximum of 2 minutes total.

1010.1 Board Ballots. Any Board Ballot submitted to the Executive Office shall be in writing, or it shall be disregarded. The Ballot must also contain a rationale for the Ballot.

1010.1.1 Notification. The Board shall be notified of the Board Ballot results within 72 hours maximum of the ending date of the Ballot.

1011 **Expenses.** (By-Laws ARTICLE ELEVEN)

1011.3 No funds will be dispersed to any appointed official committee, or committee member unless funds are available for that purpose. Failure to disperse such funds will under no circumstances create any indebtedness on the part of the association to any person or group.

1011.3.1 Standing Committees must have approval from the Executive Office before expenditure in order to be reimbursed for expenses.

1011.3.2 Air Travel at the lowest possible fare and hotel room rate plus tax for the nights required for the meeting shall be paid to those appointed officials whose attendance is required by the Board for Board meetings. If the official is judging the show and consequently has paid airfare, this shall relieve TICA of this responsibility. If the official chooses to stay with a friend, or make guest arrangements other than the hotel, this shall relieve TICA of this responsibility for the nights on which no hotel accommodations are required.

1011.4 Guidelines for Expenses of Directors. (See Board Governance.)

1012 Regions. (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWELVE)

1012.1 Regional List

Asia East (AE)

Japan
North/South Korea

Asia West (AW)

China

Great Lakes (GL)

Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kentucky
Manitoba, CN
Michigan
Minnesota
Missouri
Nebraska
North Dakota
Nunavut, CN
Saskatchewan, CN
South Dakota
Ohio
Wisconsin

International (IN)

(Non-voting Regional Area)

Australia
Brunei/Darussalam
Hong Kong
Indonesia
Malaysia
New Caledonia
New Zealand
Philippines
Singapore
South Africa
Taiwan
Thailand
Pakistan

Mid Atlantic (MA)

Delaware
District of Columbia
Maryland
New Jersey
Pennsylvania
Virginia
West Virginia

Mid Pacific (MP)

Nevada
Northern California
Utah

Northeast (NE)

APO
Connecticut
Maine
Massachusetts
New Brunswick, CN
New Hampshire
New York
Newfoundland, CN
Nova Scotia, CN
Prince Edward Island, CN
Ontario, CN
Quebec, CN
Rhode Island

Vermont

Northwest (NW)

Alaska
Alberta, CN
British Columbia, CN
Idaho
Montana
Northwest Territory, CN
Oregon
Washington
Wyoming
Yukon, CN

Northern Europe (EN)

Belgium
Belorussia
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
Germany
Latvia
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Norway
Poland
Russia
Sweden
The Netherlands (Holland)
Ukraine

South America (SA)

Argentina
Bolivia
Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Dominican Republic
Costa Rica
Ecuador
El Salvador
Panama
Paraguay
Peru
Uruguay
Venezuela

South Central (SC)

Arkansas
Colorado
Kansas
Louisiana
Mexico
Oklahoma
Texas

Southern Europe (ES)

Albania
Andorra
Austria
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Bulgaria
Croatia
Cyprus
Czech Republic
France

Gibraltar
Greece
Hungary
Israel
Italy
Jordan
Kosovo
Kuwait
Lebanon
Liechtenstein
Macedonia
Malta
Moldova
Monaco
Montenegro
Portugal
Qatar
Romania
San Marino
Saudi Arabia
Serbia
Slovakia
Slovenia
Spain
Switzerland
Syria
Turkey
United Arab Emirates
Vatican City

Southeast (SE)

Alabama
Florida
Georgia
Guadeloupe
Martinique
Mississippi
North Carolina
Puerto Rico
South Carolina
Tennessee
U S Virgin Islands

Southwest (SW)

Arizona
Hawaii
New Mexico
Southern California

Western Europe (EW)

Channel Islands
England
Iceland
Ireland
Isle of Mann
Northern Ireland
Scotland
Wales

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1012.2 Additional Regions. To apply for a full directorship, a region must have had a resident membership of 125 or more members for the past 3 years.

1012.3 Isolated Areas. Areas in which exhibitors have limited show opportunities due to geographic isolation and other factors, such as travel constraints, the area's average exhibitor base, and the average number of rings available in the area during a show year. An Isolated Area designation qualifies the area for Isolated Area title requirements and other considerations.

1012.3.1 Isolated Area List: Asia East - South Korea Northern Europe - Belorussia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Ukraine Northwest - Alaska area, South America - Entire Region, South Central - Mexico, Southwest - Hawaii, International - Entire Region, Southern Europe - Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Gibraltar, Greece, Israel, Jordan, Kosovo, Kuwait, Lebanon, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Syria, Turkey, UAE. Western Europe - Channel Islands, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Mann, Northern Ireland.

1012.4 Criteria for Determination of Isolated Area Status.

1012.4.1 The following criteria shall be used in determining Isolated Area status:

1012.4.1.1 The number of licensed judges in an area/region.

1012.4.1.2 The number of shows per year in an area/region.

1012.4.1.3 The number of rings per year in an area/region.

1012.4.1.4 The existence of a quarantine which limits or precludes exhibitors from showing.

1012.4.1.5 Distances which severely restrict travel to shows in an area or region.

1012.4.2 Any area which has sufficient judges for clubs in the area to produce shows on a regular basis in a given show season shall not be considered "Isolated".

1012.4.3 If the number of shows and/or number of rings in an area outside of North America falls within the range of shows and/or rings within North American Regions in any given show season, that area shall not be considered "Isolated".

1013 Membership Voting. (By-Laws, ARTICLE THIRTEEN)

1013.1 Each Member shall be entitled to one vote. In addition, one Family membership per one regular member shall entitle that member to one additional vote. See By-Laws 13.2.2.

1013.2 Ballots. On or before October 31st, the Executive Office shall forward ballots to each member as follows:

2005 General Membership Ballot

This Ballot must be received by the CPA on or before December 15, 2005

President:

_____ John Smith

_____ Jane Doe

_____ Write In _____

Vice President

_____ Jane Smith

_____ John Doe

_____ Write In _____

Proposal 1

_____ Yes

_____ No

Proposal 2

_____ Yes

_____ No

2005 Northwest Regional Ballot

This Ballot must be received by the CPA on or before December 15, 2005

Regional Director

_____ Fred Smith

_____ Sue Doe

_____ Write In _____

2005 Siamese Breed Committee Ballot

This Ballot must be received by the Ballot Official on or before August 15, 2005

Vote for **not more than five**

_____ John Smith

_____ Jane Doe

_____ Susan Roe

_____ Michael Jones

_____ William White

_____ Mary Black

1013.3.4 In the event a return envelope or ballot is lost or misplaced by a member, the member must request a duplicate envelope and ballot from the Executive Office **in writing**. Further, that member must certify to the Executive Office, **in writing**, the date on which the member placed the duplicate ballot and envelope in the mail and the Executive Office must receive that certification by the last date of the election.

1013.3.5 Members residing outside of North America may submit their ballots to the CPA via facsimile, provided they request a facsimile ballot from the Executive Office in writing; submit the facsimile ballot including all the information required on the return envelope, and the member's signature. The member must certify to the Executive Office, **in writing**, the date on which the facsimile ballot was faxed to the CPA. In the event a mailed ballot is received by the CPA from the same member that has submitted a ballot via facsimile, the mailed ballot will be counted and the facsimile ballot discarded.

1013.3.6 Membership Ballot Rationale. The Annual Membership Ballot shall contain all Board approved proposed amendments or additions/deletions to the TICA Show Rules, Registration Rules, and/or By-Laws with a brief explanation of why the issue is on the ballot.

1013.4 Validation of Ballots.

1013.4.1 The Executive Office will forward to the CPA a list of members eligible to vote, sorted by region and then alphabetically.

1013.4.2 The Executive Office shall also forward to the CPA a listing of the members requesting duplicate ballots and the date the member placed the ballot in the mail.

1013.4.3 The CPA shall not begin opening or tallying the ballots until the close of the election.

1013.4.4 After the close of the election, the CPA shall sort the sealed envelopes by region if a ballot for regional directors is included in that election.

1013.4.5 The ballots shall be validated, while still sealed, as follows:

1013.4.6 The CPA shall not count any ballot with an unsigned envelope.

1013.4.7 The CPA shall compare the ballot to the valid membership list, and determine that the voting member is, in fact, eligible to vote.

1013.4.8 The CPA shall compare the postmark date on any ballot submitted by a member who has requested a duplicate ballot, and count only the ballot with a postmark date on or near the date certified by the member that the ballot was mailed.

1013.4.9 The CPA shall compare any ballot received via facsimile to the valid membership list, and determine that the voting member is, in fact, eligible to vote, and shall not count any facsimile ballot that is unsigned or for which member the CPA has received a ballot via mail.

1013.4.10 The CPA shall then open each envelope and determine that the envelope contains only one general ballot and only one ballot for the region in which the member is entitled to vote or one ballot for each of the breed sections in which the member is entitled to vote. If the envelope contains more than one of any ballot, no ballot contained in the envelope shall be counted, and the CPA shall affix all of the contents of the envelope to the envelope and return those items to the Executive Office for investigation.

1013.4.11 If the envelope contains only one general ballot and one proper regional ballot or one proper breed section ballot for each breed in which the member is entitled to vote, the CPA shall separate the envelope from the ballot.

1013.4.12 The CPA shall only begin tallying ballots after the above procedures are complete. The CPA shall not tally any votes for officers or proposals if such vote is not legible.

1013.5 Notification of Results.

1013.5.1 After tallying all validated ballots, the CPA will certify to the President and to the Executive Office of TICA the results of the election, who then shall inform all of the candidates.

1014 **Elections.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE FOURTEEN)

1014.1 Intervals. The regional Directors from the Mid Pacific, Northeast, Northern Europe, South America, Southeast, Western Europe and Southwest regions are elected every 3 years beginning in 1994. All other Regional Directors are elected every 3 years beginning in 1995. If a region is added, or adjustments are made to a region or regions, the first term of the new Regional Director will be determined in such a way that no more than one-half the Board of Directors will stand for election or re-election in any given year.

1014.1.1 If a region is added, the first term of the new Regional Director will be determined in such a way that no more than one-half the Board of Directors will stand for election or re-election in any given year.

1014.2 Fees.

1014.2.1 Filing Fees. The filing fee for election to the Board of Directors is \$25. The filing fee for election to Breed Committee is \$10.

1014.2.2 **Membership Fees.** Any member qualifying for an elected office shall be required to pay membership dues for the entire term of office for which he qualifies in addition to the filing fees.

1014.2.3 **TREND Fee.** The fee for a 500-word article to be published in the TICA TREND is \$30. Candidates may include a photo with the statement. Statements are limited to the August/September and October/November TREND.

1014.2.4 No other advertisement, endorsement or article on any candidacy may be printed in the official newsletter. Candidates who are drafted by write-in vote of the membership shall fulfill all qualifications of those filing for office.

1015 **Recall.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE FIFTEEN)

1015.3 The filing fees for recall shall be:

For the President or Vice President	\$250
For a Regional Director	\$150
For Breed Committee	\$ 50

1016 **Initiative and Referendum.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE SIXTEEN)

1016.1 The filing fee shall be \$100.

1017 **Show Rules and Registration Rules.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE SEVENTEEN)

1017.1 Amendments. Proposals to amend the Show Rules and Registration Rules shall be considered by the Board of Directors at regularly scheduled meetings. **Proposals from the membership must be in writing and received by the Rules Committee no later than 90 days prior to the opening day of the meeting** to allow time for review in order to reach the Executive Office 60 days prior to the opening day of the meeting. Proposals received by the Rules Committee after the 90-day deadline will be placed on the following meeting agenda. Proposals are to be submitted according to ARTICLE SEVENTEEN of the TICA By-Laws.

1017.1.1 Proposals must be on the approved form, E-4000 Proposal to Amend Rules (available from the Executive Office or the TICA web site).

1017.1.2. Proposals to amend Rules or Policies (other than the Bylaws, Show Rules and Registration Rules) shall be considered by the Board of Directors at regularly scheduled meetings. Proposals from the membership must be in writing and received by the Rules Committee no later than 90 days prior to the opening day of the meeting to allow time for review in order to reach the Executive Office 60 days prior to the opening day of the meeting. Proposals

received by the Rules Committee after the 90-day deadline will be placed on the following meeting agenda. Proposals must contain a rationale for the change plus the new rule wording (or the original rule wording and the amended version).

1017.1.2.1 Amendments, if approved by the Board of Directors, shall take effect immediately unless the proposal itself provides another effective date. Any changes which will affect the way a cat may be shown shall take effect May 1 of the ensuing year.

1017.1.3.1.1 Notification. Members are to be notified of action taken at the Board Meeting on proposals submitted by them with a target date of 10 working days after completion of the minutes.

1018 **Standards.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE EIGHTEEN)

1018.2 Amendments. Proposals to amend Standards shall be considered by the Board of Directors at regularly scheduled meetings and must be in writing and received in accordance with ARTICLE EIGHTEEN, 118.2 of the TICA By-Laws. **Proposals must be received by the Genetics and Rules Committees no later than 120 days prior to the opening day of the meeting.** Proposals received after the 120-day deadline will be placed on the following meeting agenda.

1018.3 A member who is a member of more than one breed section within a breed group shall receive a ballot for each breed section belonged to within the group.

1018.2.1 Proposals must be on the approved form, E-4010 Proposal to Amend Standards (available from the Executive Office or www.tica.org).

1018.2.1.1 Notification. Members are to be notified of action taken at the Board Meeting on proposals submitted by them with a target date of 10 working days after completion of the minutes.

1019 **Publications.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE NINETEEN)

1019.1 Logos and references to titles and awards from cat registries other than TICA may not be used in any TICA publication including individual clubs' show flyers or show catalogs except as allowed in 1019.1.1. Breed awards from independent breed clubs (i.e MCBFA, RFCI, etc.) are exempted from this rule.

1019.1.1 In combined TICA and Traditional Shows outside North America, logos, titles and awards in the traditional association used in a combined show flyer and/or catalog will be allowed provided the other association is not a North American association.

1019.2 The following shall be included in every issue of the TICA TREND:
Names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses of Board Members, Judges and Judge Trainees
Temporary Suspension List

Late Judges Books
Disciplinary Actions
Dates/Locations of Annual/Winter/Spring Meetings

1019.2.1 The following shall be included in at least two issues of the TICA TREND per year:

- Names, addresses, phone numbers of Breed Committee Chairs and Standing Committee Chairs
- List of Standing Committee Members
- List of Clerks
- Names and addresses of Show Reporters

1019.2.2 The following shall be published in the TICA TREND as required:
Board Meeting Minutes in the first available TICA TREND following Board Meetings

- Results of Board Mail Ballots
- Annual audit report of the Association
- Regional Awards (Aug/Sep)
- International Awards (Oct/Nov)
- Candidate Election Statements (Aug/Sep, Oct/Nov)
- Hall of Fame, TICA Treasure, Lifetime Achievement
- Annual Service Awards
- Membership Ballot Results
- Photos of Applicants to the Judging Program
- Notices of Intent - Breed/Trait Advancements
- Officer's Reports
- Recall Petitions/Rebuttals
- Initiative and Referendums/Rebuttals

1019.2.3 Each issue of the TICA TREND shall contain current news of the Association, informative articles, paid advertisement, and any other material authorized by the Board of Directors or dictated by the rules of this Association.

1019.3 The names and dates of service of Retired/Resigned Judges for the current show season shall be listed in the Annual Edition (i.e. Yearbook) annually.

1020 **Annual Awards.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWENTY)

1021 **Chartered Clubs.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE)

1021.1 Members. Five members including all officers of each TICA club must be TICA members in good standing.

1021.1.1 Fees.

1021.1.1.1 The fee to charter a new club shall be \$50 with the license fees for the first show to be waived. All other fees for a show shall apply.

1021.1.1.2 Newly chartered clubs shall be exempt from license fees for their first show for a period of 1 year.

1021.2 **Charter Renewal.** Charter renewal fees shall be \$25 and are due and payable each May 1st together with a current Officer's list with addresses. Lifetime chartered clubs are required to provide a current Officers' List with addresses.

1021.2.1 If the club charter renewal fee is not received by May 31st, a surcharge of \$10 per month is added to the renewal fee for a maximum of 4 months.

1021.2.2 A \$10 fee will be assessed to any club where the Officers' List with addresses is not received by May 31st.

1021.2.3 Failure to pay charter renewal fees, surcharges, and/or provide an Officers' List after 4 months from May 31st shall place a club, including Lifetime chartered clubs, in inactive status. Reactivation of a club including a club with a Lifetime Charter, shall be up to the equivalent of 3 years' charter fees.

1022 **Discipline.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO)

1022.2.1 The fee for filing a complaint or protest shall be based upon the number of single-sided pages submitted, including the complaint form and any attachments and documentation. All fees shall be payable by cash, credit card, certified check or money order.

1022.2.1.1 The filing fee for ten pages or less shall be \$75.

1022.2.1.2 The filing fee for more than ten pages shall be \$75, PLUS \$5 for each page over ten.

1022.2.1.3 There shall be no fee for filing a response of ten pages or less. For each page over ten, the fee shall be \$5 per page.

1023 **Judges, Trainees, and Applicants.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE) Refer to the Judging Program for details.

1023.1.8 Selection of a retired judge for the title of "Judge Emeritus" should be guided by the following criteria:

1023.1.8.1 Years of Service.

1023.1.8.2 Overall contributions to TICA (i.e. clerking program administrator, legal counsel, etc.).

1023.1.8.3 Overall contributions to the Cat Fancy (i.e. humanitarian endeavors, publications, etc.).

1023.1.8.4 Any other considerations deemed worthy by the Board of Directors.

1023.8 Judge of the Year. Judges eligible to be selected as the most outstanding TICA judge for the year must meet the following qualifications.

1023.8.1 Currently licensed as an Approved Allbreed Judge or Approved or Probationary Specialty Judge.

1023.8.2 Have not been the subject of discipline or sanction by the TICA Board of Directors within the 3 years immediately prior to the month in which the call for votes is issued.

1024 **Amendments.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR)

1024.1 Amendments. Proposals to amend the By-Laws shall be considered by the Board of Directors at regularly scheduled meetings. **Proposals from the membership must be in writing and received by the Rules Committee no later than 90 days prior to the opening day of the meeting** to allow time for review in order to reach the Executive Office 60 days prior to the opening day of the meeting. Proposals received by the Rules Committee after the 90-day deadline will be placed on the following meeting agenda. Proposals are to be submitted according to ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR, 124.1.1 of the TICA By-Laws.

1024.1.1 Proposals must be on the approved form, R-4000 Proposal to Amend Rules (available from the Executive Office or the TICA web site).

1024.1.1.1 Notification. Members are to be notified of action taken at the Board Meeting on proposals submitted by them with a target date of 10 working days after completion of the minutes.

1025 **Parliamentary Procedures.** (By-Laws, ARTICLE TWENTY-FIVE)

1026 **Bad Debts.**

1026.1 Bad Debts. A “Bad Debt” for the purposes of this section may be either a debt to TICA, a debt to a TICA affiliated organization or club, or a debt to a TICA judge and/or official.

1026.2 Suspension.

1026.2.1 Suspension of TICA services is defined in ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO of the By-Laws, 122.6.2.

1026.2.2 Any “Bad Debt” can be penalized by suspension of all TICA services.

1026.3 Suspension List.

1026.3.1 Temporary Suspension List. A list of those persons who are temporarily ineligible to receive TICA services shall be published in the TICA TREND.

1026.4 Responsible Party.

1026.4.1 In the event that the Debtor is a TICA sanctioned club or organization, and the debt is based on a check that has been returned unpaid, the Responsible Party is the signatory of the check.

1026.5 Debts to TICA.

1026.5.1 A debt to TICA is a debt due and owing to TICA for unpaid fees, dues or any other charges, including, but not limited to, returned check and denied credit card charges and any resulting fees.

1026.5.2 The Executive Office shall notify the Debtor or Responsible Party by certified mail, return receipt requested, with a copy sent via regular United States Mail, First Class, Postage Prepaid, and shall inform the Debtor of the entire sum due.

1026.5.3 Upon giving notice the Executive Office may place the Debtor on Temporary Suspension.

1026.5.3.1 The Temporary Suspension period for a debt arising from a dishonored check or refused credit card charge shall begin with the date of the charges for which the check or credit card were tendered.

1026.5.3.2 The Temporary Suspension period for other debts shall begin 10 days after notice of the indebtedness is mailed to the Debtor.

1026.5.3.2.1 During the 10-day period the Executive Office may hold any accumulated work pending payment of the debt.

1026.5.3.2.2 If the debt is not paid by the end of the 10-day period, the Executive Office is authorized to return all accumulated work.

1026.5.4 If the debt remains unpaid after 30 days from the mailing of the notice, the Debtor's name shall be included in the "Temporary Suspension" list published in the TICA TREND automatically.

1026.5.5 In the event of the receipt of two dishonored checks from one individual within a period of 24 months, the Executive Office may require that all future payments from that individual be made by certified funds or credit card.

1026.6 Debts to TICA Clubs.

1026.6.1 In the event that an individual is indebted to a TICA club or organization for show entry fees, or other fees associated with entry or participation in a show, documentation supporting such debt may be forwarded to the Executive Office for further action. The documentation shall include correspondence sent to the individual, within 14 days after the completion of the show, but not later than May 5 of the subsequent show year, which ever is earlier, with a precise amount owing and an address to which the payment should be sent, and shall be in substantially similar format to the following:

Dear Exhibitor:

You still owe [NAME OF CLUB] the sum of \$[EXACT SUM OF MONEY OWED TO CLUB] for the show held on [DATES OF SHOW]. You must immediately pay the amount due. If you do not pay the amount due, [NAME OF CLUB] may forward information regarding your failure to pay that sum to TICA, and you will be subject to the consequences set forth in the TICA Show Rules and Standing Rules, including, but not limited to:

- Loss of all points from the date of the show until the date the debt is paid
- Suspension from TICA services

You may pay the debt by mailing funds to [SPECIFIC NAME AND ADDRESS TO WHICH FUNDS SHOULD BE MAILED] or by PayPay to [PAYPAL ADDRESS - NOTE THAT CLUB IS NOT REQUIRED TO ACCEPT PAYPAL] or by [ANY OTHER METHOD BY WHICH THE CLUB WILL ACCEPT PAYMENT]. Payment must be received by [DATE AT LEAST 14 DAYS AFTER CORRESPONDENCE IS SENT OR MAY 10, WHICHEVER DATE IS SOONER].

If you dispute that this payment is due, you must send your reasons for the dispute to [NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON TO SEND DISPUTE TO], with a copy to your Regional Director by [DATE AT LEAST 14 DAYS AFTER CORRESPONDENCE IS SENT OR MAY 10, WHICHEVER DATE IS SOONER].

1026.6.2 Upon giving notice the Executive Office may place the Debtor on Temporary Suspension.

1026.6.2.1 The Temporary Suspension period for debts which are related to a TICA show shall begin on the first day of the related show.

1026.6.2.1.1 The Debtor shall be automatically ineligible to receive any TICA services until the debt is paid in full including registration of cats and/or litters and any other service or product provided by TICA.

1026.6.2.1.2 There will be no accumulation of wins, titles or points or other scoring of cats for the show from which the debt has arisen and/or any subsequent show until the debt is paid in full, or the debt is found invalid by the Board of Directors.

1026.6.2.2 If the debt remains unpaid after 30 days from the mailing of notice, and the Debtor does not dispute that the debt is owing, the Debtor's name shall be included in the "Temporary Suspension" list published in the TICA TREND automatically. In the event the Debtor does dispute that the debt is owing, the matter shall be heard by the Board of Directors, who shall then determine the validity of the debt.

1026.6.3 If the club does not provide the information required by 1026.6.1 to the Executive office within 45 days after the show, or May 11, whichever date is sooner, the club shall waive any involvement of the Executive Office. The procedure set forth in these Standing Rules may not be used if the club fails to provide information in accordance with the above time line.

1026.6.4 Within 10 days of receipt of the documentation supporting the debt, or by May 12, whichever date is sooner, the Executive Office shall notify the Debtor by certified mail, return receipt requested, with a copy sent via regular United States Mail, First Class, Postage Prepaid, and shall inform the Debtor of the entire sum due.

1026.6.5 If the debt remains unpaid after 30 days from the mailing of notice, or by May 25, whichever date is sooner, and the Debtor does not dispute that the debt is owing, the Debtor shall be suspended from TICA services, until the debt is paid, and proof of payment furnished to the Executive Office.

1026.6.6 Upon giving notice the Executive Office shall place TICA services provided to the Debtor on hold until the expiration of the 30 days or until May 25, whichever date is sooner. After that date, if the debt has been paid, the Executive Office shall process the work on hold; if the debt has not been paid the Executive Office shall:

1. Return the held work to the Debtor, unprocessed;
2. Suspend TICA services to the Debtor until the debt is paid in full; and
3. Retroactively revoke any points accrued by any cats owned by the

Debtor from the first day of the show to which the debt relates until the debt is paid in full.

1026.6.7 In the event the Debtor disputes the debt, the Debtor may request the matter be determined by the Board of Directors. The Debtor must request this determination, in writing, using the official TICA complaint form. The filing fee for this matter, including up to ten (10) attached pages, shall be zero. The filing fee for any additional pages is specified in rule 1022.2.1.3. The Debtor is not entitled to a “live” hearing before the Board of Directors; the Board of Directors may determine the matter at a meeting or otherwise, as it may see fit.

1026.7 Debts to TICA Judges.

1026.7.1 In the event that a debt is owed to a TICA judge for judging fees or travel expenses, documentation supporting such debt may be forwarded to the Executive Office. The Executive Office shall notify the Debtor or Responsible Party by certified mail, return receipt requested, with a copy sent via regular United States Mail, First Class, Postage Prepaid, and shall inform the Debtor or Responsible Party of the entire sum due.

1026.7.2 Upon giving notice the Executive Office may place the Debtor on Temporary Suspension as of the first day of the related show.

1026.7.3 If the debt remains unpaid after 30 days from the mailing of notice, and the Debtor or Responsible Party does not dispute that the debt is owing, the Debtor’s name shall be included in the “Temporary Suspension “ list published in the TICA TREND automatically. In the event that the Debtor or

Responsible Party does dispute that the debt is owing the matter shall be heard by the Board of Directors, who shall then determine the validity of the debt.

1026.7.3.1 In the event that the debt is owed by a club, in addition to the Temporary Suspension of the Responsible Party that club shall not be considered in good standing for any purpose of TICA.

1026.8 In the event that the entity is no longer in existence or the entity or person to whom a debt is owed cannot be located, payment of the debt may be made directly to TICA. The payer shall then be removed from the Temporary Suspension List. If the funds are claimed by the entity or person to whom they are owed within 1 year of receipt of those funds by TICA, TICA shall pay the funds to that claimant. TICA is under no obligation to segregate any such monies at any time, and may deposit any monies paid pursuant to this section into the general account.

201 **Definitions** for Show Rules. (Show Rules, ARTICLE ONE)

201.60 A club may calculate the Best of the Best Award based on the finals won, the total scores earned at the show, or some other method **provided that the method is based on the performance of the cat at that show and that the method is set out in the show catalog.**

202 **Shows.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE TWO)

202.2 Maximum number of consecutive days for which a club may apply for a show license is three and the maximum number of times a single cat may be judged during any three day period in any location is twenty. The limit on any single day is 10 times.

202.2.1 A club may choose to have different formats for each day of a show. The show format(s) must be clearly advertised in all promotional material.

202.3 The maximum number of times that a judge may judge a cat any single cat show weekend is s follows:

202.3.1 Two times in 1 day.

202.3.2 Three times in 2 days.

202.3.3 Four times in 3 days.

202.4.2 Show Licenses. Licenses are issued upon payment of license fees provided any Guest Judges have been approved, club charter renewal fees have been paid and a current list of club officers names and addresses has been provided to the Executive Office. Once applied for, no changes may be made to the number and type of rings without 1 weeks' written notice to the Executive Office. The time limit on the exemption from license fees for newly chartered clubs is 1 year.

202.4.2.1 Show Supplies. Show supplies shall be sent upon receipt of license application in the Executive Office in accordance with 22.4.2. Show supplies shall include one copy of the current Show Rules and By-Laws, including supplements and updates.

202.4.3 Show License Fees.

202.4.3.1 \$15 per Allbreed Ring.

202.4.3.2 \$15 per Specialty Ring (LH/SH).

202.4.3.3 \$10 Breed specialty or Household Pet Ring (must be at least 20 entries present and competing per Show Rules 21.69, 21.71 and 21.72).

202.4.3.4 \$10 per Allbreed Household Pet Ring (Stand Alone Show).

202.4.3.5 \$5 per Specialty Household Pet Ring (Stand Alone Show).

202.4.3.6 The club is required to pay these fees.

202.4.4 Late Show License Application. The Executive Office shall charge a \$25 late Application for Show License Fee to any club that does not have the proper paperwork in the hands of the Executive Office staff 60 days prior to the show.

202.4.3 The show information must be submitted for publication to the show calendar on the official TICA website at least 30 days prior. In addition to this, clubs are encouraged to use other available means to publicize their shows.

202.5 Annual Awards Fees.

202.5.1 Fees per Ring

202.5.1.1 \$20 per Allbreed Ring.

202.5.1.2 \$20 per Specialty Ring (LH/SH).

202.5.1.3 \$10 per Breed Specialty or Household Pet Ring (must be at least 20 entries present and competing per Show Rules 20.69, 20.71 and 20.72).

202.5.1.4 \$10 per Allbreed Household Pet Ring (Stand Alone Show).

202.5.1.5 \$5 per Specialty Household Pet Ring (Stand Alone Show).

202.5.1.6 The club is required to pay these fees.

202.6.1 Insurance. An individual participating club's share of the liability insurance fees will be based on TICA's premium, prorated on the number of clubs which applied for a show license the previous show calendar year. Insurance covering the club and the Association will be included in the application fee and will be in addition to coverage obtained by a show production company, if any. Exception shall be made only for clubs in states where state laws require other type coverage.

202.6.2 Insurance coverage for the judges shall be secured at the expense of the association.

203 Eligibility for Entry. (Show Rules, ARTICLE THREE)

203.1 Any change in the Standing Rules which will affect the way a cat may be shown will become effective May 1st of ensuing year. The May 1st restrictions do not apply for breeds advancing to PNB or ANB status.

203.1.1 In order for a cat to be shown without a registration number, that cat must be eligible for registration and competition in TICA in the class in which the cat is to be shown.

203.1.1.1 ALL Preliminary New Breeds (PNB), Advanced New Breeds (ANB) and New Traits (NT) must have a TICA registration number prior to entry in any TICA show. No Preliminary New Breed, Advanced New Breed or New Trait may enter a show with a “registration pending”.

203.3.1 For purposes of scoring, the Executive Office shall be notified in writing whenever a cat is shown in a different color class from the genotype-based color recorded on the registration certificate, (for example a cat is registered as a self (solid) red but is shown as a red spotted tabby, etc.).

203.9 Non-Domestic Hybrids.

203.9.1 In the event that any cat, in any class, contains a Theoretical Wild Gene percentage (TWiG) of greater than 25 percent, it shall be the obligation of the exhibitor to disclose the TWiG of that cat and obtain the informed consent of the judge to handle the cat. The appropriate form must be completed and presented to each judge prior to that cat being handled by the judge. A judge may agree to handle the cat, or choose to allow the owner or agent to handle the cat.

203.9.1.1 By entering a cat with a TWiG of greater than 25 percent in a TICA show, the exhibitor of that cat specifically agrees to indemnify and hold TICA and the hosting club and show committee harmless from any damages that results from the entry of that cat in a TICA show.

203.9.1.2 It is the responsibility of each exhibitor of a cat with any wild genes to ascertain the TWiG of that cat. Irrespective of the TWiG of the cat, if any TWiG is present and if an exhibitor fails to either ascertain the TWiG of a cat, or disclose the TWiG as required, the exhibitor shall indemnify and hold TICA and the hosting club and show committee harmless from any damages that result from the entry of that cat in a TICA show in addition to any other actions that may be taken pursuant to these rules.

203.9.1.3 The TWiG of a cat is calculated by adding the TWiG of the sire and the dam of a cat, a domestic cat having a TWiG of zero percent and wildcat having a TWiG of 100 percent, and dividing the total by two.

203.9.1.4 The following breeds with a non-domestic ancestor no closer in relation than a great-grandparent may be shown in the Preliminary New Breed and Advanced New Breed classes:

None at this time.

204 Entry Procedures. (Show Rules, ARTICLE FOUR)

204.3 At the option of the club, each entry may include a nominal fee to help defray the cost of expenses of the Regional Director. Said fee, to be determined by the club, shall not exceed \$1 per entry.

204.3.1 The club shall account for and remit such fees to the regional fund.

205 Vetted and Non-Vetted Shows. (Show Rules, ARTICLE FIVE)

205.2 Vetted Shows

205.2.1 The owner or the agent of each cat inspected and considered to be in good health by the veterinarian shall be issued a card or other document to that effect and the cat shall be benched.

205.2.2 The show veterinarian has the authority to order the immediate removal of any sick cat from the show.

205.2.3 In the event 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 non-vetted show.

205.2.4 At show management's discretion, and providing the relevant professional body permits this, a qualified and registered Veterinary Nurse (or equivalent) may act as the show veterinarian for the purposes of this rule and Show Rule 25

205.3 Non-Vetted Shows. If a cat is suspect under Show Rules 25.3, it is the duty of the show manager to have the cat in question immediately removed from the show hall until a veterinarian confirms and/or diagnoses the suspected illness OR certifies that the cat is free from contagious or infectious illness.

205.3.1 It shall be the responsibility of the owner or agent of the suspected entry to obtain a veterinarians's services immediately upon removal from the show hall; the show committee shall have the right to select the veterinarian or provide a list of veterinary references.

205.3.2 If illness is confirmed, the cat shall be disqualified.

205.3.2.1 If the cat is diagnosed as having a contagious or infectious illness, all charges for veterinarian services shall be paid by the owner or agent of the entry.

205.3.2.2 In case of disqualification by a veterinarian, all other entries from the same house or cattery and all cats for whom such exhibitor is agent shall be automatically disqualified and removed from the show hall; however, all awards shall be retained.

205.3.2.3 If an agented cat is disqualified, the agent's own cats shall be disqualified.

205.3.3 Should the cat be certified free of any illness, it shall be returned to the show hall for competition.

205.3.3.1 If the cat is certified free from contagious or infectious illness, all charges for veterinarian services shall be paid by the complaining party.

205.3.4 Awards received prior to either decision will remain in effect.

205.3.4.1 In the event a disqualified cat is subsequently selected for a final award based on the decision of a judge, the show manager has the authority to officially excuse the entry from being presented in order to receive the award.

205.3.5 In no event is the club or show management required to refund entry fees.

206 **Benching Procedures.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE SIX)

207 **Requirements for Titles.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE SEVEN)

207.1 TICA Titles.

Championship

Champion (CH)	Champion Alter (CHA)
Grand Champion (GRC)	Grand Champion Alter (GCA)
Double Grand Champion (DGC)	DGC Alter (DGCA)
Triple Grand Champion (TGC)	TGC Alter (TGCA)
Quadruple Grand Champion (QGC)	QGC Alter (QGCA)
Supreme Grand Champion (SGC)	SGC Alter (SGCA)

Household Pet

- Master (MS)
- Grand Master (GRM)
- Double Grand Master (DGM)
- Triple Grand Master (TGM)
- Quadruple Grand Master (QGM)
- Supreme Grand Master (SGM)

207.1.1 Requirements for Titles. All points earned are cumulative. After earning the points required for one title, any remaining points apply to the next title.

207.1.1.1 **Non-Isolated Areas:**

<u>Champion</u>	<u>HHP</u>	<u>Requirements for Titles.</u>	(Points are cumulative.)
CH	CHA MS	300 points from 4 different judges, plus one final	
GRC	GCA GRM	1000 points with 6 finals, 3 in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
DGC	DGCA DGM	2000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
TGC	TGCA TGM	3000 points plus 1 final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
QGC	QGCA QGM	4000 points plus 1 final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
SGC	SGCA SGM	6000 points plus 1 Best Cat as a QGC/QGCA/QGM	

207.1.1.2 **Isolated Areas:**

<u>Champion</u>	<u>HHP</u>	<u>Requirements for Titles.</u>	(Points are cumulative.)
CH	CHA MS	150 points from 2 different judges, plus one final	
GRC	GCA GRM	500 points with 3 finals, 1 in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
DGC	DGCA DGM	1000 points plus 1 final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
TGC	TGCA TGM	1500 points plus 1 final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
QGC	QGCA QGM	2000 points plus 1 final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
SGC	SGCA SGM	3000 points plus 1 Best Cat as a QGC/QGCA/QGM	

207.1.1.3 More than one title can be earned in a single show (subject to later confirmation by the Executive Office), except that the Best Cat/Alter/HHP Final for a SGC/SGA/SGM MUST be earned at a later show than the show at which the title of QGC/QGA/QGM is earned.

207.5 Chart for Title Points.

(BOC) Best of Color Class (SP or AB)				
<i>Best</i>	<i>2nd Best</i>	<i>3rd Best</i>	<i>4th Best</i>	<i>5th Best</i>
25	20	15	10	5

(BOD) Best of Division (SP or AB)		
<i>Best</i>	<i>2nd Best</i>	<i>3rd Best</i>
25	20	15

Allbreed Final Points									
<i>Best</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>4th</i>	<i>5th</i>	<i>6th</i>	<i>7th</i>	<i>8th</i>	<i>9th</i>	<i>10th</i>
200	190	180	170	160	150	140	130	120	110

Specialty Final Points									
<i>Best</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>3^d</i>	<i>4th</i>	<i>5th</i>	<i>6th</i>	<i>7th</i>	<i>8th</i>	<i>9th</i>	<i>10th</i>
150	140	130	120	110	100	90	80	70	60

208 **Violations.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE EIGHT)

209 **Responsibilities of Show Management.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE NINE)

209.1.1.4 **Marked Catalogs.** The show committee is required to forward (via first class mail or better) one completely marked catalog to the Executive Office of TICA, the regional reporters and the appropriate regional director within 48 hours after the close of the show. As an alternative to mailing, clubs are encouraged to submit a copy of the marked catalog via email in an electronic format known to be readable by the Executive Office, within 72 hours after the close of the show. The show committee is required to forward one completely marked catalog to the judging administrator, to each judge, the master clerk and to any person who ordered a marked catalog **NO LATER THAN 7 DAYS AFTER THE SHOW.** The show committee shall also send a catalog marked with the finals page(s) and the appropriate breed awards to each certified ring clerk within 7 days after the show.

209.1.1.4.1 Clubs failing to send marked catalogs to the Executive Office, Judging Administrator, and Regional Director within 48 hours after the close of the show, if sent by first class mail or swifter, or within 72 hours after the close of the show if sent by e-mail, will be assessed a fine of \$100.00. Clubs are encouraged to send master catalogs via email.

209.1.1.4.2 **Exhibitor's List.** A complete Exhibitor's List with addresses must be sent with the Marked Catalog to the Regional Director, the Judging Administrator, the Judges and the Executive Office.

209.1.1.4.3 The Uniform Finals Sheets provided by the Executive Office in the show supplies **MUST** be used in the marked catalogs sent to the Executive Office. Failure to submit the marked Uniform Finals Sheets with the marked catalogs will result in a fine of \$25 as directed by the Board of Directors.

209.1.1.4.3.1 Uniform Finals Sheets. Uniform finals sheets are available from the Executive Office.

209.1.1.6 **Show Flyers.** Show flyers **MUST** be sent to the local regional director, the Executive Office, and the contracted judges at the time the show license application is submitted. Failure to send a flyer with the application will result in a \$25 fine.

209.1.1.6.1 Show Flyers **MUST** include the following information:

TICA logo	For Sale Cats/Kittens	Size of benching cages
Name of host club		Cage coverings required
Date(s) of show		Dimensions of grooming space
Names of judges and assignments (AB/SP)		Special benching (i.e. European, by breed, etc.)
Show Hall (Address, Emergency Telephone #, if available)		Health Requirements
Show Hotel (Address and Phone Number)		Special state regulations requiring health certificates or rabies shots
Show Manager(s)		Advisement of inoculation of cats/kittens prior to entry
Entry Clerk		Specific Climate Control (heating/ac, fans, etc.)
Vendor Contact		Handicapped Accessibility, including limitations
Entry Fees		Airports
Other Fees		Transportation
Closing Dates (early bird, tardy turtle, etc.)		Airport to Hotel
Entry Limits		Hotel to Show Hall
Check-In Times		Limitation of outside food in show hall
Online Flyer info		Supplies provided (litter, cat food, etc.)
Payment Information (Check, PayPal, Credit Cards, etc.)		Liability Statement
Check Payment - Payable to whom, Sent to whom		Show Rules Statement
Online Flyer Payment deadline		Where to get Show Rules
Returned Check Fees		Benching Requests
OFFICIAL TICA Entry Form		Clerking Requests
Vetted or Non-Vetted Show		ALL claws of all entries must be clipped
For Sale Cages		

209.1.1.6.2 Show flyers **should** include the following whenever possible:

Driving directions to show hall/show hotel; Airlines serving area; Donations i.e., Club, Region, TIFF, Other; Seminars or Schools, if any; Special Dinners, if any.

209.2 **Entries**. All entries must be on the official TICA Entry Form.

209.3 Each judge shall be assigned a ring clerk.

209.4.3 **Cages**. Cages in judging rings must be placed on tables or other solid support. Collapsible trestles are not acceptable.

209.4.3.1 Whenever possible, the tables on which the judging cages are placed shall have leg extenders to raise the height of the tables to between 34 and 38 inches (89 and 97 centimeters) from the floor.

209.4.6.1 **Judging vs. Finals**. If a cat is being judged in a ring, it may not be removed from that ring to be placed in a finals ring. If a group of cats is being judged and a member of this group is being called to another ring for finals, the cat must go to the ring to be judged unless the finals have already started.

2010 **Responsibilities of Exhibitors**. (Show Rules, ARTICLE TEN)

2011 **Catalog**. (Show Rules, ARTICLE ELEVEN)

2011.3 Catalog Entries. All entries in a catalog must be listed in numerical sequence as follows:

NUMBER	GROUP	CLASSIFICATION
001-050	Longhair Kittens	Non-Championship
051-100	Shorthair Kittens	Non-Championship
101-200	Adult Whole Longhairs	Championship
201-300	Adult Whole Shorthairs	Championship
301-350	Alter Longhairs	Championship
351-400	Alter Shorthairs	Championship
401-450	Household Pet Longhairs	Non-Championship
451-500	Household Pet Shorthairs	Non-Championship
501-550	Preliminary New Breed	Non-Championship
551-600	Advanced New Breed	Non-Championship
601-650	New Traits Class	Non-Championship
651-700	Exhibition ONLY	Non-Championship
701-Up	For Sale Cats and Kittens	Non-Championship

2011.3.1 Longhairs shall precede shorthairs. Within each group above, except Household Pets, entries shall be listed in alphabetical order by breed name. Household Pets shall be listed in the following order regardless of the number sequence: Longhair Household Pet Kittens, Shorthair Household Pet Kittens, Longhair Household Pets, and Shorthair Household Pets.

2012 **Prizes and Trophies, Ribbons and Rosettes**. (Show Rules, ARTICLE TWELVE)

2012.2 Rosettes. Clubs cannot require that a judge hand out rosettes that do not count.

2013 **Invitations to Judges, Acceptances by Judges**. (Show Rules, ARTICLE THIRTEEN)

2013.1 Permission to Judge. A TICA judge may judge any TICA show any place at any time. Only licensed TICA Allbreed judges may judge non-TICA shows:

2013.1.1 TICA Allbreed Judges invited to judge non-TICA shows as guest judges shall advise the Judging Administrator.

2013.1.2 A TICA judge, in addition to being licensed by TICA, may be licensed by any Traditional Association affiliated with the World Cat Congress or other independent Traditional Associations and may judge as a Traditional judge for that association.

2014 **Judging Fees and Expenses**. (Show Rules, ARTICLE FOURTEEN)

2014.1.1 Judges Fees. Based on number of entries in the catalog eligible for competition based on status of judge, not type of show judged.

2014.1.1.1 Approved Allbreed Judge and Licensed Guest Judges - \$1.10 per entry.

2014.1.1.2 Provisional Allbreed Judge and Guest Judges - \$.85 per entry.

2014.1.1.3 Approved Specialty Judge - \$.65 per entry.

2014.1.1.4 Probationary Specialty Judge - \$.55 per entry.

2014.1.1.5 Household Pet Allbreed - \$.85

2014.1.1.6 Household Pet Specialty - \$.55

2014.1.2 Guidelines for Other Payments to Judges.

2014.1.2.1 Seminar - \$50.

2014.1.2.2 Judge's School - \$50.

2014.1.2.3 Judge's Conference - \$50.

2015 **Conduct of Judges.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE FIFTEEN)

2016 **Judging Procedures.** (Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN)

2016.1 An emergency is an unforeseen, exigent (urgent) circumstance.

2016.4 Minimum Handling Requirements.

2016.4.1 A judge must have the ability to remove from and return to the judging cage every cat entered in the show, except for those cats not amenable to handling. In the event that a judge believes that a cat may not be amenable to handling, the judge may request that the owner or agent remove the cat from and/or return the cat to the judging cage.

2016.4.1.1 A judge must disclose an inability to meet the minimum handling requirements to the club at the time the club offers the judging assignment to the judge or, as soon as such inability is known to the judge.

2016.4.1.2 If the inability to meet the minimum handling requirements becomes known to the judge after entering into the judging contract, the judge must notify the club of such a change of circumstances as soon as possible. Either the club or judge may, at that time, cancel that judging contract.

2016.4.2 In the event that a judge is unable to meet the minimum handling requirements, the **club** must:

2016.4.2.1 Contract a handler at the time of contracting the judge or as soon as the inability of the judge to meet the minimum handling requirements becomes known. The handler must be a licensed judge or a trainee. (Show Rule 216.1)

2016.4.2.2 List the handler on the flyer with the judge or, if the inability to handle is unknown until after the assignment is published, list the handler on all revisions of the show flyer, and on all other show announcements including the show schedule.

2016.4.2.3 Compensate the handler at the same rate per cat as a Probationary Specialty Judge, lunch on the day of handling and a fully marked catalog.

2016.12.2 Polydactyls, in any breed authorized by a Board approved standard, shall be limited to no more than 7 toes on any foot.

2017 Judges Records. (Show Rules, ARTICLE SEVENTEEN)

2017.1 Judges Books. Judges must forward the COVER and the ORIGINAL (white copy) of all pages of the judge's book to the Executive Office of TICA within 48 hours after the close of the show. Alternately, judges may forward a scanned document containing the cover and all white pages to the Executive Office within 72 hours after the close of the show. The scanned book must be legible and all pages must be included, otherwise the judge's book will not be considered complete and timely, and the penalties for a late judge's book assessed. If a scanned book is used in lieu of the original, the judge must retain the original judge's book until one year after the close of the show season to which that judge's book relates, and must provide the original judge's book to the Executive Office within 48 hours if requested to do so. A copy of all pages of the judge's book is to be turned in to the master clerk at the proper time during the show. The judge retains a copy of all pages of the judge's book for his/her personal records. At the completion of the show, the Master Clerk will submit the marked catalog and a copy of the judges' books to the Club/Show Committee.

2017.6 Household Pet Color Classification. Each household pet may be presented to an Allbreed Judge in order to determine the correct color on each entry, prior to the start of judging, and that classification will hold throughout the entire show.

2017.7 Merit Rosettes. Cats in Preliminary New Breed, Advanced New Breed and New Traits Classes are not separated into longhair and shorthair for judging. These classes are for educational purposes only and are non-competitive classes. Only one merit rosette is awarded per class without regard to coat length.

2017.7.3 At the option of the judge, any New Traits Class cat(s) may be called to the ring with cats of the parental breed.

2018 Championship Breed/Division, and Colors. (Show Rules, ARTICLE EIGHTEEN and Uniform Color Descriptions.)

2019 Amendments. (Show Rules, ARTICLE NINETEEN)

301 Registration Rules.

303.1 Quick Reference Chart for New Breeds.

	Registration Only	Preliminary New Breed	Advanced New Breed	New Trait	Championship
Registrations required for advancement		15 adults 10 litters Must have been recognized for registration for at least 2 years	100 adults: 50 must have a registration code eligible for CH or can produce offspring eligible for CH 25 litters	10 cats if fewer than 100 registered OR 10% of cats registered not to exceed 50 cats	200 adults registered in any full WCC member association of which 50 must be registered in TICA and be potentially eligible for championship
Active Breeders		5 in 3 regions	15 in 5 regions	10 total	15 in 5 regions
Entries in TICA shows prior to advancement			25 unique cats shown in PNB	10 unique cats shown with New Trait	25 unique cats in at least 25 WCC shows and at least 10 TICA shows
Entry Class	Not Applicable (can be in hall with approval of show com)	Entry in PNB Class	Entry in ANB Class	Entry in New Trait Class	Championship Class
Judging Procedures	Not handled	Judged in PNB Class	Judged in ANB Class	Judged in NT Class	Judged for championship
Awards		Class awards and PNB Merit Final	Class awards and ANB Merit Final	Class awards and NT Merit Final	Color, division, breed and final awards
Annual Award Scoring	Not Scored	Not Scored	Not Scored	Not Scored	Scored for Annual Awards

303.1.1 There will be no formal breed committee or breed section for cats in the Experimental Record.

303.1.1.1 The Executive Office will maintain statistics from the Experimental Record: the number of litters tracked, the number of individual cats tracked, the names and addresses of owners and breeders of the experimental breed. Such statistics will be made available should a petition for advancement to Registration Only status be submitted.

303.2 The Registration Rules will automatically be emended to include the name of the new breed and its identifying breed code at the time of acceptance for registration. Notification of such emendation shall appear in the next available issue of the official newsletter.

303.3.1.4 A processing fee of \$100 will be required at the time of application to the Experimental Record.

303.3.2 A processing fee of \$50 will be required at the time of application. (Transfer New Breeds)

303.3.4.6 A processing fee of \$50 will be required at the time of application. (Registration Only)

303.5 Advancements from Advanced New Breed to Championship or from New Traits to Championship shall take effect on May 1 of the ensuing year.

303.6.1.4.4 A processing fee of \$50 will be required at the time of application. (Preliminary New Breed)

303.6.2.1 Having met the requirements for and upon advancement to Preliminary New Breed (PNB) status, a cat in PNB may be shown immediately upon advancement by the Board.

303.7.1.6.4 A processing fee of \$50 will be required at the time of application. (Advanced New Breed)

303.7.3.1 Having met the requirements for and upon advancement to Advanced New Breed (ANB) status, a cat in ANB may be shown immediately upon advancement by the Board.

303.8.8.4 A processing fee of \$50 will be required at the time of application. (Championship)

303.98 Trait: A visible distinguishing characteristic.

303.9.1 At the option of the judge, any New Traits Class cat(s) may be called to the ring with cats of the parental breed.

303.9.2.4.2 A processing fee of \$50 will be required at the time of application. (New Traits)

306.8.3 The P designation will be used to indicate crosses between members of a breed group and a breed outside the breed group which have been granted a one-way exception by the Board of Directors.

Registration Prefixes and Breeds of Parent and the Prefixes of their THAI Kittens									
	SBT TH	SBP TH	01T TH	02T TH	03T TH	SBT SI	01P TH	02P TH	03P TH
SBT TH	SBT	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>	02T	03T	SBT	SBP	02P	03P	SBT
SBP TH	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>	02P	03P	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>	SBP	02P	03P	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>
01T TH	02T	02P	02T	02T	02T	02P	02P	02P	02P
02T TH	03T	03P	02T	03T	03T	03P	02P	03P	03P
03T TH	SBT	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>	03T	03T	SBT	SBP	02P	03P	SBT
SBT SI	SBP	SBP	02P	03P	SBP	SBP TH*	02P	03P	SBP
01P TH	02P	02P	02P	02P	02P	02P	02P	02P	02P
02P TH	03P	03P	02P	03P	03P	03P	02P	03P	03P
03P TH	SBT	<i>SBP/ SBT</i>	02P	03P	SBT	SBP	02P	03P	SBT

* The litter would be registered as SBT SI, but individual kittens could be registered as TH and would be SBP. It is filled out based on the "same breed" chart since any SI in the pedigrees are considered the same as TH.

NOTE: The items that are in italics in the chart must have the pedigree checked to determine the prefix. If all cats are TH in a three-generation pedigree, then the prefix will be SBT. If there are Siamese in the three-generations, then the prefix will be SBP.

307. Quick Reference Chart for Permissible Outcrosses and Registration Status Codes for Championship Exhibition.

307.1

CATEGORY I Established Breed	CATEGORY II Natural Breed	CATEGORY III Variant/Mutation Breed	CATEGORY IV Domestic Hybrid Breed
SBT(V)	SBT(V, P), 01T(V, P), 02T(V, P), 03T(V, P)	SBT(V) AOP, BOP, COP	SBT(V) AOP, BOP, COP
Permissible Outcross Only within breed group No unknowns No outside breeds	Permissible Outcross Only within Breed Group Unknowns permitted	Permissible Outcross Accepted breeds only No unknowns* Exceptions: * 01T(V), 02T(V), 03T(V) * A1P, B1P, C1P * A2P, B2P, C2P * A3P, B3P, C3P Exceptions are allowed ONLY in the breeds shown below with an asterisk.	Permissible Outcross 1 Parent of Parental Breed 2 Parents of Parental Breeds No Unknowns
Abyssinian American Shorthair American Wirehair Australian Mist Balinese Bengal Bengal Longhair Birman Bombay British LH/SH Burmese Chausie Egyptian Mau Exotic Shorthair Havana Himalayan Maine Coon Maine Coon Poly Oriental LH/SH Persian Pixiebob LH/SH Ragdoll Russian Blue Savannah Siamese Somali Toyger	Chartreux Cymric Jap Bobtail LH/SH Khaomanee Kurilian Bobtail LH Kurilian Bobtail SH Korat Manx Norwegian Forest Siberian Singapura Thai Turkish Angora Turkish Van	Am Bobtail LH/SH Am Curl LH/SH* Cornish Rex Devon Rex Donskoy LaPerm LH/SH* Lykoi Munchkin LH/SH Nebelung* Scot Fold LH/SH* Selkirk Rex LH/SH* Sphynx*	Burmilla LH/SH Minuet LH/SH Ocicat Peterbald Snowshoe Tonkinese

307.2 Category I Breeds. The following breeds are included in Category I:

Abyssinian	Havana
American Shorthair	Himalayan
American Wirehair	Maine Coon
Australian Mist	Maine Coon Poly
Balinese	Oriental Longhair
Bengal	Oriental Shorthair
Bengal Longhair	Persian
Birman	Pixiebob/Pixiebob LH
Bombay	Ragdoll
British Longhair	Russian Blue
Brisith Shorthair	Savannah
Burmese	Siamese
Chausie	Somali
Egyptian Mau	Toyger
Exotic Shorhtair	

307.3 Category II Breed. The following breeds (together with acceptable origins are included in Category II;

Aphrodite LH/SH (Cyprus)	Norwegian Forest (Norway)
Chartreux (France)	Siberian (Russia)
Japanese Bobtail LH/SH(Orient)	Singapura (Singapore)
Khaomanee (Thailand)	Sokoke (Africa)
Korat (Thailand)	Thai (Thailand)
Kurilian Bobtail LH/SH(Russia)	Turkish Angora (Ankara, Turkey)
Manx/Cymric (Isle of Man)	Turkish Van (Turkey)

307.3.2 Category II breeds must have an SBT(V, P), 01T(V, P), 02T(V, P), or 03T(V, P) status code to be eligible for championship competition.

307.4 Category III Breeds. The following breeds (together with a listing of their accepted outcrosses) are included in Category III:

- American Bobtail/American Bobtail Shorthair (domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)
- American Curl/American Curl Shorthair (domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)*
- Cornish Rex (American Shorthair, British Shorthair, European Shorthair)
- Devon Rex (American Shorthair, British Shorthair, European Shorthair, Burmese, Bombay, Sphynx, Siamese)
- Donskoy (domestic shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)
- La Perm/La Perm Shorthair (domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)*
- Lykoi (Solid black domestic shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)
- Munchkin/Munchkin Longhair (domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)
- Nebelung (Russian Blue)*

Ojos Azules/Ojos Azules Longhair (domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)*

Scottish Fold/Scottish Fold Longhair (American Shorthair, British Shorthair, British Longhair)*

Selkirk Rex/Selkirk Rex Longhair (American Shorthair, British Breed Group, Persian Breed Group)*

Sphynx (American Shorthair, Devon Rex)*

Tennessee Rex/Tennessee Rex Shorthair (domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)*

Toybob/Toybob Longhair (Russian domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)*

307.4.1 Category III breeds must have an SBT (V), AOP, BOP or COP status code to be eligible for championship competition. 01T (V), 02T (V), 03T (V), A1P, B1P, C1P, A2P, B2P, C2P, A3P, B3P, or C3P cats may be permitted for championship competition if specifically permitted by the breed and marked by an asterisk.

NOTE: Breeds marked by an asterisk (*) have an unusually limited gene pool and thus may still benefit from augmentation of the available gene pool by inclusion of cats conforming to the standard but which are of unknown or unregistered ancestry.

307.4.2 A breed requesting an outcross that is part of a breed group must specify whether it wants to include only that breed, or the entire breed group.

307.5 Category IV Breeds. The following breeds (together with a listing of their accepted source breeds) are included in Category IV:

Burmilla/Burmilla LH (Burmese, Persian)

Highlander/Highlander LH (Domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)

Minskin (Domestic shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed)

Minuet/Minuet LH (Munchkin Breed Group, Persian Breed Group)

Ocicat (Abyssinian, Siamese)

Peterbald (Siamese Breed Group, Donskoy)

Serengeti (Oriental Shorthair, Bengal)

Snowshoe (American Shorthair, Siamese)

Tonkinese (Burmese, Siamese, European Burmese)

307.5.1 A breed requesting an outcross that is part of a breed group must specify whether it wants to include only that breed, or the entire breed group.

307.5.2 Category IV breeds must have an SBT(V), AOP, BOP, or COP status code to be eligible for championship competition.

307.6 Category V Breeds. The following breeds (together with their permissible outcrosses or source breeds) are included in Category V:

There are no breeds currently in Category V.

307.6.1 A breed requesting an outcross that is part of a breed group must specify whether it wants to include only that breed, or the entire breed group.

307.6.2 Category V breeds advancing to championship as Category I must have the following registration status codes to be eligible to be shown in the Advanced New Breed Class: SB, CO, or C3.

307.6.4 For registration as a non-domestic source species hybrid, a first generation hybrid MUST have one parent that is a non-domestic source species.

307.7 Category VI Breeds. The following breeds are included in Category VI

Asian Group	Chinese Harlequin	Ragamuffin
Asian LH (Tiffanie)	Copper	Ruffle
Asian SH	European Shorthair	Safari
Bristol	European Burmese	Tiffany
California Spangled	German Rex	Vienna Woods
Ceylon	Mandalay	York Chocolate
Chantilly		

307.9 Changes in Registration Codes.

307.9.1 Cats registered which were previously eligible to be shown prior to a change in status codes shall continue to be eligible to be shown.

308.3 A cattery name may not duplicate or be an acronym for an unaffiliated breed society.

308.3.1 An unaffiliated breed society must notify the Executive Office in writing of their acronym.

308.3.2 Protection of these names shall be at the discretion of the Executive Office.

309.4.4 The name of a cat previously registered in another association may not be changed under any circumstances except for the addition of a cattery suffix in accordance with 38.7 and, if required, the use of a registry code in accordance with 309.9.3.1.

309.7.1 If a registry code (see 309.3.1) is used, then this is included in the 35 letters, characters or spaces limit.

309.7.2 The owner's name, address and city are not allowed in the name of the cat unless it is a TICA registered cattery.

309.9.2 In the event that a registry does not issue registration certificates, the Executive Office may request additional documentation to prove ownership and authenticity.

309.9.3 The name of a cat previously registered in another association may not be changed under any circumstances except for the addition of a cattery suffix in accordance with 38.7 and, if required, the use of a registry code in accordance with 309.9.3.1.

309.9.3.1 If the cattery name of a cat previously registered in another registry is not a TICA cattery name that is registered to the cat's owner, then a registry code shall be added at the end of, and form part of, the cat's name. Registry codes shall be comprised of a slash followed by a two-letter code identifying the registry.

309.9.3.2 The registry codes currently in use are: /CF - CFA, /FI - FIFe, /GC - GCCF, /ID - Independent, /WC - WCF. Additional unique codes may be assigned by the Executive Office as required.

309.9.13 If the registration certificate from the other registry does not indicate that breeding is allowed or disallowed, then the TICA registration will not restrict the use of the cat in a breeding program.

401 **Judging Program.**

501 **Clerks.**

501.6 All head ring and master clerks holding **current** clerking licenses shall be compensated as directed by the Board of Directors of this Association.

501.6.1 Master Clerk - a minimum of \$15 or one free entry per day, lunch, and a fully marked catalog.

501.6.2 Head Ring Clerk - a minimum of \$10 or one free entry per day, lunch, and a catalog marked with finals and clerk's breed(s).

501.7 Preference should be given to TICA licensed clerks whenever possible.

505.2.2 Corrections to the Master Catalog of any kind shall be given to the Master Clerk in writing on the approved form.

505.2.2.1 Master Catalog Correction Forms shall be completed in triplicate. The original shall be forwarded to the TICA Executive Office with copies of the Master Catalog. A copy shall be given to the owner/agent making the correction and a copy shall be retained by the Club with the original Master Catalog and the Posting Slips.

505.2.2.2 The Master Clerk shall initial each Master Catalog Correction Form when the correction is made in the catalog.

601 Scoring.

601.1 Unregistered Cats. Unregistered cats may be shown only once in TICA without a registration number. All points and/or wins for Annual Awards acquired by an unregistered cat in the second and/or subsequent shows shall be irrevocably lost. The exhibitor is obligated to furnish the registration number to the entry clerk or master clerk **and** the Executive Office. In order to obtain credit for any points and/or wins received at the first show where the cat, kitten, alter, household pet adult or household pet kitten, was shown as unregistered, the owner must notify the Executive Office in writing requesting the first show to be credited and stating the name, date and location of the show, and the name of cat, breed (if applicable), registration number, and entry number. Allow unregistered Household Pet Kittens to earn IW and/or RW awards.

601.2 The TICA Scoring System.

601.2.1 Points earned in a breed congress format (Show Rule 21.69) or a breed/multi breed congress format (Show Rule 21.71 and 21.72) shall not be scored for regional or international awards.

601.2.2 No scoring is done in the Executive Office unless the correct registration number is in the scored catalog or the owner notifies the Executive Office as above. (See 601.1) Allow unregistered Household Pet Kittens to earn IW and/or RW awards.

601.2.3 Basically each score is a representation of the finals points plus cats defeated. If the cat did not make a final, points are scored for each cat defeated in breed, division, or color (whichever is highest).

601.2.4 Finals points are the same as for title claims, with the exception of fewer than 10 cats (see attached charts).

601.2.4.1 The scoring system starts at tenth place final points for the last position in the final when there are fewer than 10 cats, kittens, alters, household pets, or household pet kittens competing.

601.2.5 The number of cats competing is figured on a ring-by-ring basis. The total count includes cats who were disqualified, withheld awards, for presentation only, less than 5th best of color, etc. Absentees are not counted.

601.2.6 Total scores are based on a summary of the ring scores.

601.2.7 If a cat competes out of region, scores are still accumulated toward total.

- 601.2.8 Cats will be scored in the region of residence on January First.
- 601.2.9 Kittens will be scored in the region where they were first shown unless the Executive Office is notified in writing.
- 601.2.10 If a cat or kitten completed its show career before January 1st, it will be scored in the region where it completed that career.
- 601.2.11 For purposes of scoring, the transfer date on a Certificate of Registration is the date the transfer is received in the Executive Office. In order for the new owner to be shown on the awards, the transfer must be received in the Executive Office by January 1st; if the cat was shown only after the transfer then the transfer must be received in the Executive Office by May 7th. If the cat was shown only before the transfer then the old owner(s) will be furnished the award.
- 601.2.12 Cumulative scores are based on the show year -- May 1st through April 30th each and every year. The score totals as of April 30th are used in the Regional Awards Presentations (usually the following summer) and the Annual Awards Presentation (the following Labor Day weekend).
- 601.2.13 Come May 1st, everybody starts all over again with 0 points.
- 601.2.14 Scores are calculated and entered into the database in the Executive Office. At the end of the show year, the scores are compiled, checked against registration information, and furnished to each Regional Director, who coordinates the awards presentation for his/her region.
- 601.2.15 Scores will be included with notification of standings sent out by Regional Directors.
- 601.2.16 If there is a problem it can then be worked out with the Executive Office.
- 601.2.17 The cutoff date for scoring corrections **from exhibitors** is May 7th. Any corrections including corrections/additions/deletions of suffixes must be received **from exhibitors** in the Executive Office in writing by May 7th.
- 601.2.18 After notification by the appropriate Regional Director, please call the Executive Office for questions concerning the points earned by a cat.
- 601.2.19 Titles used for Regional and/or International awards will be the highest title which has been claimed and verified at the end of the show season for which the award is applicable. If the cat has earned a higher title, but that confirmation application has not been received in the Executive Office by May 7th, it will not be used for awards presentation.

601.2.20 If a cat is altered in mid-show season, it is entitled to the points won to that point for placement in the championship standings. As an alter, the cat starts again at zero points. At the end of the show season, it is entitled to the points won as an alter for placement in the alter championship standings.

601.2.21 Example of Scoring.

601.1.21.1 FOR Example: A cat has a total of 12,421 points, with the lowest score being 227 as follows:

He goes to a 10-ring show and wins the following awards:

RING 1: 5th Best Cat Allbreed (67 competing)

RING 2: 8th Best Cat Allbreed (65 competing)

RING 3: 2nd Best Cat Allbreed (68 competing)

RING 4: No final, 3rd best of breed with 17 in the breed

RING 5: 10th Best Cat Allbreed (62 competing)

RING 6: Best Cat Specialty (32 competing)

RING 7: 7th Best Cat Specialty (31 competing)

RING 8: 4th Best Cat Specialty (35 competing)

RING 9: No final, no breed win, Best of Division with 7 in division

RING 10: 9th Best Cat Specialty (33 competing)

What's his new score now? It works out like this:

RING 1: $160 + 62 = 222$

RING 6: $150 + 31 = 181$

RING 2: $130 + 57 = 187$

RING 7: $90 + 24 = 114$

RING 3: $190 + 66 = 256$

RING 8: $120 + 31 = 151$

RING 4: 14

RING 9: 6

RING 5: $110 + 52 = 162$

RING 10: $70 + 24 = 94$

Now, since his lowest score was 227, he can only use RING 3 toward his final score (12,421), subtract the lowest ring (227), then add the replacement ring (256) and you've got his new score: 12,450.

ALLBREED RINGS																		
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	110	121	132	143	154	165	176	187	198	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217
2		110	121	132	143	154	165	176	187	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206
3			110	121	132	143	154	165	176	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195
4				110	121	132	143	154	165	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184
5					110	121	132	143	154	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
1	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235
2	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224
3	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213
4	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202
5	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191
6			165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180
7				155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169
8					145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158
9						135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147
10							125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
1	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253
2	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242
3	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231
4	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220
5	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209
6	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198
7	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187
8	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176
9	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165
10	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72
1	254	255	256	257	258	259	260	261	262	263	264	265	266	267	268	269	270	271
2	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	255	256	257	258	259	260
3	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249
4	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238
5	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227
6	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216
7	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205
8	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194
9	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183
10	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172

601.2.23 Scoring Chart for Specialty Rings (also on the TICA website).

SPECIALTY RINGS																		
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	60	71	82	93	104	115	126	137	148	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167
2		60	71	82	93	104	115	126	137	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156
3			60	71	82	93	104	115	126	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145
4				60	71	82	93	104	115	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134
5					60	71	82	93	104	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
1	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185
2	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174
3	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163
4	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152
5	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141
6			115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130
7				105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119
8					95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108
9						85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
10							75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
1	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203
2	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192
3	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181
4	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170
5	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159
6	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148
7	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137
8	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126
9	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115
10	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104
Final Mark	Final Cat Counts																	
	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72
1	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221
2	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210
3	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199
4	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188
5	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177
6	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166
7	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155
8	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144
9	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133
10	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122

701 Standards. (Available from the Executive Office and on the TICA Executive Office website, www.tica.org).

701.1 List of Championship and New Breeds. (See individual breed standards.)

701.2 Championship Breeds.

Abyssinian Group

Abyssinian/Somali

Traditional Category, Tabby and Silver/Smoke Division, limited to the eumelanistic colors and agouti pattern ONLY

American Bobtail Group

American Bobtail/American Bobtail Shorthair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

American Curl Group

American Curl/American Curl Longhair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

American Shorthair Group

American Shorthair/American Wirehair

Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors

Australian Mist

Sepia Category ONLY, Tabby Division - Spotted and Marbled ONLY, Limited to eumelanistic colors ONLY

Bengal Breed Group

Bengal & Bengal Longhair

Traditional, Sepia, Mink, and Pointed Categories, Tabby and Silver/Smoke Divisions, Brown (Black) Tabby, Seal Sepia Tabby, Seal Mink Tabby, Seal Tabby Point, Black Silver Tabby, Seal Silver Sepia Tabby, Seal Silver Mink Tabby and Seal Silver Lynx (Tabby) Point. SPOTTED and MARBLED Pattern ONLY

Birman

Pointed Category, Solid Point/White, Tortie Point/White, Tabby Point/White and Silver and/or Smoke Point/White Divisions, gloved pattern ONLY, all colors

British Breed Group

British Shorthair & British Longhair

Traditional and Pointed Category, all divisions, all colors

Burmese Group

Burmese

Sepia Category, Solid and Tortoiseshell Divisions, all colors

Bombay

Traditional Category, Solid Division, black ONLY

Burmilla Group

Burmilla/Burmilla Longhair

Traditional & Sepia Categories; Silver and/or Smoke Division, Shaded & Chinchilla Patterns ONLY; All colors

Chartreux

Traditional Category, Solid Division, blue ONLY

Chausie

Traditional Category, Solid and Tabby Divisions, Black, Brown (Black) Ticked Tabby, and Black Grizzled Ticked Tabby colors ONLY

Cornish Rex

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Devon Rex

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Donskoy

All categories, all divisions, all colors

Egyptian Mau

Traditional Category, Silver/Smoke and Tabby Divisions, spotted pattern ONLY

Havana

Traditional Category, Solid Division, chocolate based eumelanistic colors ONLY (chocolate, lilac)

Japanese Bobtail Group

Japanese Bobtail/Japanese Bobtail Longhair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Khaomane

Traditional Category, Solid Division, White ONLY

Korat

Traditional Category, Solid Division, blue ONLY

Kurilian Bobtail Group

Kurilian Bobtail/Kurilian Bobtail LH

Traditional Category, All Divisions, All Colors

LaPerm Group

LaPerm/LaPerm Shorthair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Lykoi

Traditional Category, Solid Division, Black ONLY. Must have amelanistic (roan) pattern in the coat.

Maine Coon

Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors

Manx Group

Manx/Cymric

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Minuet Group

Minuet/Minuet LH

All categories, all divisions, all colors

Munchkin Group

Munchkin/Munchkin Longhair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Nebelung

Traditional Category, Solid Division, Blue ONLY

Norwegian Forest

Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors

Ocicat

Traditional Category, Silver/Smoke and Tabby Divisions, spotted pattern ONLY, eumelanistic colors ONLY

Persian Group

Exotic Shorthair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Himalayan

Pointed Category, all divisions, all colors

Persian

Traditional, Sepia, and Mink Categories, all divisions, all colors

Peterbald

Traditional and Pointed Categories, all divisions, all colors

Pixiebob Group

Pixiebob/Pixiebob Longhair

Traditional Category, Tabby Division, Brown (Black) Spotted Tabby

Ragdoll

Pointed Category, Solid Division, Tabby Division, Tortie Division, Solid/White, Tortie/White and Tabby/White Divisions (mitted and bicolor patterns ONLY), all colors

Russian Blue

Traditional Category, Solid Division, blue ONLY

Savannah

Traditional Category, Solid, Tabby and Silver/Shaded Divisions, Black, Brown (Black) Spotted Tabby, Silver Spotted Tabby and Black Smoke ONLY

Scottish Fold Group

Scottish Fold/Scottish Fold Longhair/Scottish Straightear/Scottish Straightear Longhair

Traditional and Pointed Categories, all divisions, all colors

Selkirk Rex Group

Selkirk Rex/Selkirk Rex Longhair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Siamese Group

Siamese/Balinese

Pointed Category, all divisions, all colors

Oriental Shorthair/Oriental Longhair

Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors

Siberian

Traditional and Pointed Categories, all divisions, all colors

Singapura

Sepia Category, Tabby Division, Sable Ticked ONLY (see breed standard)

Snowshoe

Pointed Category, Solid Point/White, Tortie Point/White, Tabby Point/White and Silver and/or Smoke Point/White Divisions (mitted and bicolor patterns), all pointed colors

Sphynx

All Categories, all divisions, all colors

Thai

Pointed Category, Solid, Tortie and Tabby Divisions, All Colors

Tonkinese

Sepia, Mink, and Pointed Categories, Solid and Tortoiseshell Divisions

Toyger

Traditional Category, Tabby Division, Brown (Black) Mackerel Tabby

ONLY

Turkish Angora

Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors

Turkish Van

Solid Division - White ONLY. Solid/White, Tortie/White, Tabby/White and Silver and/or Smoke/White Divisions, all traditional colors, Van pattern ONLY. Tabbies are not differentiated among the different tabby patterns. (NOTE: Red/white and cream/white cats may show tabby markings with no penalty. This is due to the difficulty in distinguishing between true red and red tabby on a Van patterned cat.)

Household Pet

All categories, all divisions, all colors

701.3 New Breeds.

Aphrodite Group

Aphrodite Longhair/Aphrodite Shorthair

All categories, all divisions, all colors

Burmese Group

Tiffany

Sepia Category, Solid and Tortoiseshell Divisions, all colors

Highlander Group

Highlander/Highlander LH

All categories, Solid, Tortie, Tabby and Silver/Smoke Divisions, All Colors.

Minskin

All categories, all divisions, all colors

Ojos Azules Group

Ojos Azules/Ojos Azules Longhair

All Categories, all divisions, all colors. Preference is given to colors and patterns which would not be expected to have blue eyes in the absence of the Ojos trait. Pointed cats and those in the 'any color with white divisions must exhibit the characteristic white tail tip, as these colors may have blue eyes for reasons unrelated to the unique Ojos gene. Solid white is discouraged for breeding and exhibition since it may be difficult to distinguish a white Ojos from the usual blue-eyed white.

Serengeti

Traditional Category, Solid, Tabby and Silver/Smoke; Black, Brown (Black) Spotted Tabby, Black Silver Spotted Tabby, Black Smoke

Sokoke

Traditional Category, Tabby Division, Brown (Black) Classic Tabby Only

Tennessee Rex Group

Tennessee Rex Longhair/Tennessee Rex Shorthair

All categories, all divisions, all colors

Toybob/Toybob Longhair

All categories, all divisions, all colors

701.4 List of Breeds and Codes.

701.4.1 The following is a list of the names and official abbreviations for Championship Breeds effective 05/01/17:

Code	Breed	Championship	LH/SH
AB	Abyssinian	1979	SH
ABT	American Bobtail	2002	
ABS	American Bobtail Shorthair	2002	SH
AC	American Curl	1988	SH
ACL	American Curl Longhair	1988	
AS	American Shorthair	1979	SH
AW	American Wirehair	1979	SH
AUM	Australian Mist	2015	SH
BA	Balinese	1979	
BG	Bengal	1986	SH
BGL	Bengal Longhair	2017	
BI	Birman	1979	
BO	Bombay	1979	SH
BL	British Longhair	2009	
BS	British Shorthair	1979	SH
BU	Burmese	1979	SH
BM	Burmilla	2015	SH
BML	Burmilla Longhair	2015	
CX	Chartreux	1979	SH
CU	Chausie	2013	SH
CR	Cornish Rex	1979	SH
CY	Cymric	1979	
DR	Devon Rex	1979	SH
DSK	Donskoy	2016	SH
EM	Egyptian Mau	1979	SH
ES	Exotic Shorthair	1979	SH
HB	Havana	1979	SH
HI	Himalayan	1979	
JB	Japanese Bobtail	1979	SH
JBL	Japanese Bobtail Longhair	1991	
KM	Khao Manee	2015	SH
KT	Korat	1979	SH
KB	Kurilian Bobtail	2012	SH
KBL	Kurilian Bobtail Longhair	2012	
LP	LaPerm	2003	
LPS	LaPerm Shorthair	2003	SH
LY	Lykoi	2017	SH
MC	Maine Coon	1979	
MCP	Maine Coon Polydactyl	2015	

MX	Manx	1979	SH
MNT	Minuet	2016	SH
MNL	Minuet Longhair	2016	
MK	Munchkin	2002	SH
MKL	Munchkin Longhair	2002	
NB	Nebelung	1997	
NF	Norwegian Forest	1984	
OC	Ocicat	1987	SH
OL	Oriental Longhair	1979	
OS	Oriental Shorthair	1979	SH
PS	Persian	1979	
PD	Peterbald	2006	SH
PB	Pixiebob	1998	SH
PBL	Pixiebob Longhair	1998	
RD	Ragdoll	1979	
RB	Russian Blue	1979	SH
SV	Savannah	2012	SH
SCS	Scottish Straight	2014	SH
SC	Scottish Straight Longhair	2014	
SF	Scottish Fold	1979	SH
SFL	Scottish Fold Longhair	1988	
SR	Selkirk Rex	1994	SH
SRL	Selkirk Rex Longhair	1994	
SI	Siamese	1979	SH
SB	Siberian	1993	
SG	Singapura	1979	SH
SN	Snowshoe	1995	SH
SO	Somali	1979	
SX	Sphynx	1979	SH
TH	Thai	2010	SH
TO	Tonkinese	1979	SH
TG	Toyger	2007	SH
TA	Turkish Angora	1979	
TV	Turkish Van	1979	

701.4.2 Non-Championship:

HL	Household Pet Longhair	1979	
HS	Household Pet Shorthair	1979	SH

701.4.3 The following is a list of the names and official abbreviations for breeds accepted under Advanced New Breed (ANB) or Preliminary New Breed (PNB) categories effective 05/20/18

APL	Aphrodite LH (PNB)		
APS	Aphrodite SH (PNB)		SH
MSL	Minskin (PNB)		SH
HG	Highlander (ANB)		
HGS	Highlander		SH
SE	Serengeti (ANB)		SH

TB	Toybob (PNB)	SH
TBL	Toybob Longhair (PNB)	
TRL	Tennessee Rex LH (PNB)	
TR	Tennessee Rex SH (PNB)	SH

701.4.4 The following is a list of the names and official abbreviations for breeds accepted by the Board for Registration ONLY (RE) effective 05/01/17:

NL	Asian Longhair (Tiffanie) (RE)
NS	Asian Shorthair (RE)
BR	Bristol (RE)
SP	California Spangled (RE)
CE	Ceylon (RE)
CHY	Chantilly (RE)
CH	Chinese Harlequin (RE)
CO	Copper (RE)
UBU	European Burmese (RE)
USH	European Shorthair (RE)
GER	German Rex (RE)
MD	Mandalay (RE)
OA	Ojos Azules (RE)
OAL	Ojos Azules Longhair(RE)
RG	Ragamuffin (RE)
RF	Ruffle (RE)
SA	Safari (RE)
SK	Sokoke (RE)
TF	Tiffany (RE)
VW	Vienna Woods (RE)
YC	York Chocolate (RE)

701.4.5 The following is a list of the names and current abbreviations for experimental breeds as of 04/11/2016:

XRT	Experimental American Ringtail
XRL	Experimental American Ringtail Longhair
XBM	Experimental Bambino
XBE	Experimental Bramble
XCA	Experimental Caracat
XCT	Experimental Cheetoh
XCJ	Experimental Clouded Jack
XDW	Experimental Dwelf
XEF	Experimental Elf
XFT	Experimental Fantasy
XFX	Experimental Foldex
XFL	Experimental Foldex Longhair
XGT	Experimental Genetta
XHK	Experimental Helki
XIS	Experimental Imperial
XIL	Experimental Imperial Longhair
XJS	Experimental Jaguar Sphynx

XJG Experimental Jungle
XKT Experimental Keetso
XKI Experimental Kinkalow
XKL Experimental Kinkalow Longhair
XKN Experimental Krinkle
XKS Experimental Krinkle Shorthair
XLB Experimental Lambkin
XLL Experimental Legend Leopard
XLD Experimental Leopold
XWB Experimental Maew Boran
XMG Experimental Marguerite
XMB Experimental Mekong Bobtail
XNV Experimental Nile Valley Egyptian
XSQ Experimental Sasquatch
XTK Experimental Scottish Kilt
XTL Experimental Scottish Kilt Longhair
XSD Experimental Silver Dust
XSK Experimental Skookum
XSS Experimental Skookum Shorthair
XTN Experimental Tibetan

901 **Awards.**

901.1 A cat, kitten, or alter is not entitled to a breed certificate, or a cat is not entitled to a color certificate, if said cat, kitten, or alter has not earned a total of at least 25 points during the show season.

901.2 Color Awards. In order to receive a color award, cats must be registered in the correct color (color in which they were shown) by May 7th.

901.3 Catalog of the Year. An award(s) may be presented at the Annual Convention to the club producing the best show catalog during the previous show season. Consideration will be given to the cover, compliance with the recommended format and the overall appearance.

901.4 Regional and International Awards.

901.4.1. Junior Exhibitor Program Achievements.

901.4.1.1 Junior Exhibitor Showmanship Excellence Award. Junior exhibitors meeting the qualifications set out in 83.1 of the Junior Program shall be recognized at Regional Award Ceremonies.

901.4.1.2 The Top Ten Junior Exhibitors will be recognized at the Regional Level with appropriate awards similar to those of the Top Twenty Cats.

901.4.1.3 The Top Five Junior Exhibitors from each Region will be recognized in the program at the International Awards ceremony.

901.4.1.4 All Junior Exhibitors who complete the program (including those who complete with Distinction), will be honored at the Annual Convention with an appropriate award, featured in the visual media presentation at the Annual Awards Banquet and in the TICA YEARBOOK in color, free of charge. The list of recipients will be printed in the TICA TREND.

901.4.2 Lifetime Achievement Award.

901.4.2.1 The TICA Board of Directors shall establish the Lifetime Achievement program to recognize cats who have excelled in the show ring. These special cats will be awarded the title LA on a certificate, suitable for framing, and will be recognized in the TICA TREND, the Yearbook, and in the Annual Awards Program. Cats certified as earning this award shall be eligible to use the title LA before their name in the following fashion LA OD SGC Babsy's Baby.

901.4.2.2 Eligibility: All eligible cats must have received at least one Top 25 International award as a kitten, cat or alter and two International or Regional top 25 awards as a kitten, cat or alter. Two titles may be achieved in 1 year, i.e., top kitten and cat or alter. However, a Regional award and an International award on the same cat (See Show Rule 21.73) in the same year counts as only one title. Ownership of the cat may change from year to year. The award is for the cat, not the owner, although the current owner will be requesting the award.

901.4.2.3 For pedigreed cats, awards shall be earned in the kitten class, the championship class and the alter class. Years of awards need not be consecutive.

901.4.2.4 For Household Pets, awards shall be earned in the Household Pet Kitten class OR in the Household Pet class.

901.4.2.5 There is no time limit for claiming the LA title. You may claim it for deceased cats if you choose to do so. However, awards for 21st Best through 25th Best International or Regional may be claimed only for years in which those awards were actually presented.

901.4.2.6 Claiming the title: The following items must be provided by the owner of the cat:

901.4.2.6.1 A copy of the TICA registration of the cat claiming the title.

901.4.2.6.2 A completed application form.

901.4.2.6.3 Proof of the wins as evidenced by any one of the following:

901.4.2.6.4 Copies of the certificates issued by Executive Office or copies of the Official Standings posted on the TICA Website by the Executive Office showing that an RW or an IW have been achieved.

901.4.2.6.5 Photocopies of the Yearbook or TICA TREND with the year and region, if applicable, clearly identified.

901.4.2.6.6 Photocopies of any plaques received.

901.4.2.6.7 Letter from Executive Office verifying the award (an additional research fee of \$10 will be required).

901.4.2.6.8 A check or money order, made payable to TICA, for \$10.

901.4.2.6.9 A color photo to be scanned for inclusion on the certificate (optional \$5 additional fee).

901.4.2.7 The Lifetime Achievement Program shall be administered by the Executive Office.

901.4.3 Calculation of Regional and International Awards. The Executive Office will accumulate the scores of each registered cat, kitten, alter and household pet as well as household pet kittens as shown in the marked catalogs from all TICA sanctioned cat shows held during the period May 1st through April 30th (show year). NO cat, kitten, alter, or household pet shall receive a regional or international award unless it has a TICA registration number. Allow unregistered Household Pet Kittens to earn IW and/or RW awards.

901.4.3.1 The cumulative points of the 50 judgments of each registered cat, alter and household pet carrying the highest point value will be used to determine the aggregate Regional and International points for each registered cat, alter and household pet during each show year. The cumulative points of the 30 judgments of each registered kitten and each household pet kitten carrying the highest point value will be used to determine the aggregate Regional and International points for each registered kitten and each household pet kitten.

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.

901.4.3.3 Points earned in a breed congress format (Show Rule 21.68) or a breed/multi-breed congress format (Show Rule 21.69) shall not be scored for regional or international awards.

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. 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.

901.4.3.4.1 All winners are notified by the appropriate Regional Director.

901.4.3.4.2 The Top 3 Cats in each color of their respective breeds receive a color certificate from the appropriate Regional Director.

901.4.3.4.3 The Top 25 Cats, Kittens, Alters, Household Pets and Household Pet Kittens, in each region are featured in a visual media presentation at the Regional Banquet.

901.4.3.4.4 The Regional Top 25 Longhair Cats and Shorthair Cats, and Breed Award winners, are honored at the Regional Awards Banquet.

901.4.3.4.5 The Top 10 Cats, Kittens, Alters, Household Pets and Household Pet Kittens are featured in the TICA YEARBOOK free of charge.

901.4.3.5 International Awards. International Awards will be presented to the **25** cats, kittens, alters, and 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 association during the applicable show year. International Breed Awards will be presented to the cat, kitten, and alter having the highest aggregate of points in each Championship breed, provided those points aggregate at least 1000. All awards earned during the show year will be listed accordingly for every region or recognized area and internationally.

901.4.3.5.1 The Top **25** Cats, Kittens, Alters, Household Pets and Household Pet Kittens, and Best of Breed Cats, Kittens and Alters, are featured in a visual media presentation at the Annual Awards Banquet and in the TICA YEARBOOK in color, free of charge.

901.4.3.5.2 The Top **25** longhair and shorthair cats, and the Best of Breed in each breed are honored at the Annual Awards Banquet. All three (kitten, cat and alter) may be brought up together and presented.

901.4.3.6 The Executive Office is responsible for the International Awards. After Regional Directors lists are furnished, notification letters are mailed to International Award winners.

901.4.4 An award donated or otherwise provided in the name of an individual shall be subject to a one-time approval vote by the Breed Section membership of the specified breed 1 year in advance of the presentation of the award.

901.4.4.1 Accounts. When a Special Awards Funding Account has a zero balance, that award will be dropped.

901.4.4.2 Special breed awards shall be acknowledged in the TICA TREND, Yearbook, Annual Awards Program and the Annual Media Presentation.

901.4.4.2.1 Special breed awards shall be sent directly to the recipient.

901.4.5 Service Awards.

901.4.5.1 Judges and Employees with a minimum of 5 years service to TICA will be awarded a SERVICE AWARD in 5-year increments at the Annual Awards Banquet following their fifth Anniversary. The list of employees and Judges and years of service will be printed in the TICA TREND and read at the Annual Awards Banquet.

901.4.5.2 TICA Members of the Year. Each year the Board of Directors may honor at the Annual Convention any TICA members for outstanding service to TICA during the previous year.

901.4.5.3 Regional Members of the Year. Each year the membership of each region shall select a member who has done the most for TICA and his or her region during the previous year. An appropriate award will be presented to the Regional Member at the Regional Awards Banquet and/or the Annual Convention. Members of the Board of Directors are ineligible for this award .

902 **Forms.**

902.1 Official Forms List.

Form Numbers

Cattery

- A-1000 Cattery Evaluation Form
- A-1010 Cattery Registration
- A-1020 Cattery Registration Certificate
- A-1030 Code of Ethics
- A-1040 Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program
- A-1050 Waiver of Liability
- A-1060 Responsible Breeder Certificate
- A-1070 Outstanding Cattery Certificate

Clerk

- K-2000 Assistant Clerk Certificate
- K-2010 Assistant/head Ring Clerk Evaluation Form
- K-2020 Clerking Contract
- K-2030 Clerking Program Application
- K-2040 Clerking Program Application for Advancement
- K-2050 Clerking Program Requirements
- K-2051 Entry Clerking Program Application
- K-2052 Entry Clerking Program Application for Advancement
- K-2053 Entry clerking Program Clerking Evaluation
- K-2054 Entry Clerking Program Contract (2 pages)

- K-2055 Entry Clerking Program Requirements
- K-2060 Head Ring Clerk Certificate
- K-2070 Master Clerk Certificate
- K-2080 Master Clerk Evaluation

Club

- C-3000 Club Bylaws
- C-3010 Club Charter
- C-3020 Club Charter Application
- C-3030 Club Charter Renewal
- C-3040 Club Procedures
- C-3050 Official Entry Form
- C-3060 Royal Canin Sponsorship
- C-3070 Show Committee Information
- C-3080 Show License Application
- C-3090 Show License Certificate

Executive Office

- E-4000 Amend Rules
- E-4010 Amend Standards
- E-4020 Bank Wire Transfer
- E-4030 Cover Sheet Temporary Suspension File
- E-4040 Credit Card Machine Insert
- E-4050 Daily Activity Record
- E-4060 Employee Leave
- E-4070 EO Keys
- E-4080 EO Punch In
- E-4090 Ethical Agreement
- E-4100 Expense Report
- E-4110 Fax Form
- E-4120 Filing for Breed Committee
- E-4130 Filing Pres VP
- E-4140 Hotel Room Policy
- E-4150 Incorrect Address Insert
- E-4160 Label
- E-4170 Letterhead
- E-4180 Money Insert
- E-4190 Official Complaint Form
- E-4200 Price Change Insert

E-4210	Price List
E-4220	Region List
E-4230	Tally Sheets
E-4240	Temp Suspension List Additions
E-4250	TWiG
E-4260	Violation of Rules Form
E-4270	Voting Sheets
E-4280	Logos
E-4290	Junior Achiever Certificate
E-4300	Do Not Use TDS

Information

I-5000	Early Alter
I-5010	Early Spay Pros Cons
I-5020	Looking for a Kitten
I-5030	Looking for a Kitten Brochure
I-5040	Q&A Spay Neuter
I-5050	Q&A Spay Neuter Brochure
I-5060	Reputable Breeder
I-5070	Spectator Exhibitor Guide
I-5080	Tica Brochure

Judge

J-6000	Advancement Approved Allbreed
J-6010	Advancement Approved Specialty
J-6020	Advancement Instructor
J-6030	Advancement Probationary Specialty
J-6040	Advancement Provisional Allbreed
J-6050	Advancement Provisional Allbreed Other
J-6060	Agreement Judge Tica Show
J-6070	Breed Comparison Report
J-6080	Breed Critique by Trainee
J-6090	Breed Summary Sheet
J-6100	Endorsement of Approved Allbreed Sponsor
J-6110	International Guest Judge
J-6120	Judge's Book Cover
J-6130	Judging Program Application
J-6140	Judging Program Application Other
J-6150	License Request Other

J-6160	License Request Reinstated
J-6170	Listing Form
J-6180	Permission to Train
J-6190	Reinstatement as a Judge
J-6200	Solo Evaluation
J-6210	Trainee Evaluation
J-6220	Trainee Monthly Report
J-6230	Trainee Quarterly Report
J-6240	Trainee Tracking

Litter

L-7000	Litter Registration
L-7010	Litter Registration Application
L-7020	Litter Registration Log

Membership

M-8000	Membership Application
M-8010	Membership Card Dbl New
M-8020	Membership Card Dbl Renew
M-8030	Membership Card New
M-8040	Membership Card Renew
M-8050	Membership Letter Lifetime
M-8060	Membership Letter New
M-8070	Membership Post it
M-8080	Membership Qualifications Insert

Publications

P-9000	By-Laws
P-9010	Clerking Manual
P-9020	Entry Clerk's Guide
P-9030	Judging Program
P-9040	Registration Rules
P-9050	Show Rules
P-9060	Standards
P-9070	Uniform Color Descriptions
P-9080	Business Plan
P-9090	Standing Rules
P-9100	Guidelines for Standards
P-9110	Board Governance

Registration

R-1000	Acceptance as Preliminary New Breed
R-1005	Acceptance as Advanced New Breed
R-1010	Acceptance of Transfer New Breeds for Registration Only
R-1012	Acceptance of Transfer New Breeds to Advanced New Breed
R-1015	Advancement of Experimental New Breeds to Registration Only
R-1020	Foundation Individual Registration
R-1030	Blue Slip
R-1040	Breed Section Insert
R-1050	Cat Name Change Insert
R-1060	Cat Registration Log
R-1070	Certificate of Pedigree (Five)
R-1080	Certificate of Pedigree (Three)
R-1090	Certificate of Registration
R-1100	Championship of a New Trait
R-1105	Championship of an Advanced New Breed
R-1110	Color Code Chart
R-1120	HHP Registration Certificate
R-1130	Household Pet Log (Spay or Neuter)
R-1140	Household Pet Registration Application
R-1150	Individual Registration
R-1160	Lease Agreement/termination
R-1170	Lifetime Achievement Award Application
R-1180	Lifetime Achievement Award
R-1190	Missing 201's
R-1200	Notarized Transfer CFA
R-1210	Notarized Transfer Tica
R-1220	Outstanding Sire Dam Application
R-1230	Outstanding Sire Certificate
R-1240	Outstanding Dam Certificate
R-1250	Registration Category Chart
R-1260	Registration Information
R-1270	Registration Number Chart Same Breeds
R-1280	Registration Rush Log
R-1290	Registrations Post it
R-1300	Showing Breeds/breed Groups
R-1310	Title Discount Registration
R-1320	Household Pet Log (Unknown)

Scoring

S-2000	Are You Missing Points?
S-2010	Final Sheets
S-2020	Master Catalog Corrections
S-2030	Procedure Scoring Catalog
S-2040	Regional/international Scores Matrix (AB/SP)
S-2050	Scoring Catalog Cover
S-2060	Scoring Finals Chart
S-2070	Scoring System
S-2080	Scoring Finals Chart Calc

Titles

T-3000	Champion Alter Certificate
T-3010	Champion Certificate
T-3020	Confirmation Memo
T-3030	Double Grand Champion Alter Certificate
T-3040	Double Grand Champion Certificate
T-3050	Double Grand Master Certificate
T-3060	Grand Champion Alter Certificate
T-3070	Grand Champion Certificate
T-3080	Grand Master Certificate
T-3090	Master Certificate
T-3100	Quadruple Grand Champion Alter Certificate
T-3110	Quadruple Grand Champion Certificate
T-3120	Quadruple Grand Master Certificate
T-3130	Supreme Grand Champion Alter Certificate
T-3140	Supreme Grand Champion Certificate
T-3150	Supreme Grand Master Certificate
T-3160	Title Confirmations
T-3170	Triple Grand Champion Alter Certificate
T-3180	Triple Grand Champion Certificate
T-3190	Triple Grand Master Certificate

Yearbook

Y-4000	Honored Cats
Y-4010	Yearbook Breeds Directory
Y-4020	Yearbook Friends Directory
Y-4030	Yearbook Order Form

903 **Guidelines.** All written procedures and guidelines shall be attached to the appropriate rules.

903.1 TICA Annual Show/Awards Banquet Guidelines. The Annual Show, and the club or clubs producing that show, shall comply with any sponsorship agreements that TICA may have with corporate sponsors as of the date the Annual Show is to be held, regardless of whether or not such agreements are in place at the time of the award of the Annual Show to the club or clubs producing that show. Clubs hosting an annual show and banquet are expected to conduct the show and banquet according to these guidelines. In the event a club has good cause to deviate from these guidelines, a request to do so must be submitted, in writing, to the Annual Meeting Liaison to the Board of Directors not less than 30 days prior to the Winter Meeting immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, and specify the guideline for which deviation is requested, and the reason for the request. The Board may then approve or deny the request.

Annual Preparation Time Line

3 Years Prior	2 Years Prior	1 Year Prior	6 Months Prior	3 Weeks Prior	2 Weeks Prior
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Locate show hotel 2) Locate show hall 3) Contact Chamber of Commerce/ Convention Bureau for any aid they may offer in putting together a presentation packet 4) Present package to Board of Directors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Update presentation for the Board 2) Finalize hotel/show hall contracts 3) Contract judges 4) Select a Show Committee 5) Select Entry Clerk 6) Select menu items for banquet 7) Contact a cage service 8) Supply the EO a contact name and number for the hotel 9) Contract a Master Clerk and Assistant 10) Apply for Show License 11) Make a budget 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Prepare flyers and distribute, including the TICA EO and Regional Directors 2) Contact clubs for ring sponsorships 3) Contact vendors 4) Arrange for professional photographer to attend banquet and show 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Order Entry Clerk Program 2) Order rosettes 3) Contact local tv, radio and newspapers for coverage 4) Arrange for radio, tv and newspaper advertising 5) Design poster and arrange printing 6) Arrange for banners with city, etc. 7) Make judges hotel reservations 8) Arrange for banquet decorations 9) Coordinate with EO about meeting rooms and banquet hall 10) Arrange transportation from airport and to/from show hall if needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Put out posters and banners 2) Secure show supplies (litter, paper towels, etc.) 3) Confirm that all judges have airline reservations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Close entries** 2) Make a layout of show hall 3) Make a benching chart 4) Make a judging schedule 5) Confirm all entries 6) Send catalog to printer 7) Print Judge's Books 8) Reconfirm judges' hotel reservations

** Host clubs should close for entire in a reasonable time frame that allows for adequate time for all show-related documents and forms to be prepared and available before any show check-in.

903.1.1 Location.

903.1.1.1 Conveniently accessible to Interstate Highways and an International Airport.

903.1.2 Transportation.

903.1.2.1 Name of the most convenient airport.

903.1.2.2 All or most major airlines should service the area.

903.1.2.3 Information on limo/porter/shuttle service.

903.1.2.3.1 Ideally, there should be a shuttle between the hotel and the airport.

903.1.2.3.2 In the absence of a hotel shuttle or limo/porter service, the Club should make arrangements to pick up judges and Board members.

903.1.2.4 Phone number of the limo/porter/shuttle service and information regarding any need for advance reservations for pick-up.

903.1.2.5 Contract number should it be required for the event (usually major hotels will give you a contract number; thus, no charge for trips to and from airport).

903.1.2.6 Maps should be available for people driving (both city and highway maps).

903.1.2.6.1 Maps and directions to the hotel and show hall must be sent to all judges and directors at least four weeks prior to the show, and provided to all exhibitors and banquet attendees with confirmation.

903.1.3 Facilities.

903.1.3.1 Hotel Accommodation.

903.1.3.2 Reasonable room rates.

903.1.3.3 The hotel must have a full-service restaurant.

903.1.3.4 The names and addresses of additional nearby hotels other than the "official show hotel".

903.1.3.5 List of facilities offered by the hotel(s) (i.e., pool, water slide, exercise room, childcare, etc.).

903.1.3.5.1 There must be meeting rooms available in the official show hotel to accommodate the Board Meetings (See 903.1.4)

903.1.3.6 The show should be held in the show hotel or an adjacent facility, if possible.

903.1.3.6.1 Should official show hotel not be the place where the show is held, then the distance(s), maps, etc. should be provided.

903.1.3.6.2 If the show hall is separate from the official show hotel, transportation between the hotel and show hall must be provided for judges, Board Members and exhibitors.

903.1.3.7 The banquet must be held in the official show hotel.

903.1.3.8 All hotel rooms should be accessible by elevator.

- 903.1.4 Meeting Room(s). (Wednesday to Friday, inclusive).
- 903.1.4.1 Must be in the show hotel.
 - 903.1.4.2 Approximately 1,000 to 2,000 square foot facility.
 - 903.1.4.3 Well ventilated.
 - 903.1.4.4 Boardroom table in the shape of a hollow square set up to accommodate 21 24 people.
 - 903.1.4.5 Fifty chairs for the open meetings.
 - 903.1.4.6 PA system should be considered.
 - 903.1.4.7 Flip chart.
 - 903.1.4.8 Beverage service with water, coffee and other beverages available.
 - 903.1.4.9 Usual meeting tools on tables (i.e., pens, writing paper, etc.).
 - 903.1.4.10 Audio visual equipment available should it be required.

903.1.5 Friday Evening. (Considerations).

- 903.1.5.1 Hospitality suite Cash bar.
- 903.1.5.2 A Friday Night Check-In for Exhibitors. An informal Wine & Cheese reception could be provided during the Check-In time.

903.1.6 Saturday Evening (Considerations).

- 903.1.6.1 The room(s) must be accessible for the entire day in preparation of the event.
- 903.1.6.2 The banquet facility must accommodate 400 500 people.
- 903.1.6.3 The EVENT should be either FORMAL OR SEMI-FORMAL and should be advertised accordingly.
- 903.1.6.4 There should be additional seating for those who will attend only the "Awards Presentation".
- 903.1.6.5 The hotel should be able to accommodate "Special Food Service" if it is required.
- 903.1.6.6 6:30 7:30 PM No host bar (i.e. cash bar).
- 903.1.6.7 Banquet must be sit-down dinner (not a buffet).
- 903.1.6.7.1 Dinner must start no later than 7:30PM.
- 903.1.6.8 Menu should have at least two to three choices. Vegetarian option should be available.
- 903.1.6.9 Round table seating of 8 -10 persons.
- 903.1.6.10 Adjacent events should be arranged so that sound from those not interfere with speeches or other presentations. This term should be included in the contract for the banquet facility.

903.1.7 Head Table.

903.1.7.1 Should be on an elevated/raised platform at one end of a hall or a large room.

903.1.7.2 Head table should accommodate 18
20 people.

903.1.7.3 The Board may vote to dispense with a Head Table, such a vote to be taken at the Winter Meeting immediately prior to the relevant Annual. The club must be informed of the outcome by the Annual Board Liaison within 10 days of the decision.

903.1.8 Master of Ceremonies (to be arranged by the TICA EO).

903.1.8.1 Should co-ordinate the speakers (if any) and the presentation of the awards.

903.1.8.2 Presentation of awards should be done by the officers of TICA and the Regional Directors, all taking turns.

903.1.9 Audio/lighting Requirements (to be arranged for and paid by the Executive Office).

903.1.9.1 Podium(s) with PA system hookups.

903.1.9.2 Microphone(s) for the Head Table/Master of Ceremonies and as otherwise may be needed.

903.1.9.3 Lighting should be pre-checked so that should additional lighting be required it is in place prior to Saturday morning.

903.1.9.4 Audio visual equipment should be in place well ahead and checked to see that it is operational.

903.1.10 Decorations.

903.1.10.1 Table decorations.

903.1.10.2 The head tables and all tables used for awards should be skirted.

903.1.11 Photographer.

903.1.11.1 Must be present for CANDID SHOTS.

903.1.11.2 Must be present for Awards Presentation.

903.1.12 Entertainment.

903.1.12.1 Entertainment, if any, should be very limited during the period after dinner when the tables are being cleared and people "freshen up" for the awards presentation.

903.1.13 Flowers. Floral award arrangements should be coordinated with the Executive Office.

903.1.14 Awards Table.

903.1.14.1 This should be setup off the area of the head table.

903.1.14.2 Awards and flowers should be all pre-arranged.

903.1.15 Additional Considerations.

903.1.15.1 TICA commemorative items for the event may be obtained.

903.1.16 Consideration.

903.1.16.1 Location of drug store(s), malls, pet stores and grocery/liquor stores should be provided.

903.1.16.2 A list of the "Best" eating places with known specialty indicated i.e., Greek.

903.1.16.3 A "THINGS TO DO" list for those who come early or stay longer.

903.1.17 Contracts and Financial Responsibility.

903.1.17.1 All contracts should be in the name of the sponsoring club.

903.1.17.2 Cost of banquet and decorations are responsibility of club.

903.1.17.3 Cost of International Awards and Rosettes is responsibility of TICA.

903.1.18 Sponsors.

903.1.18.1 Contact all TICA clubs to solicit sponsorship for rings (can be done by notice in the TREND or online).

903.1.18.1.1 Specialty rings may have a different sponsor for each specialty.

903.1.18.1.2 Clubs generally prefer to sponsor a judge from their own Region.

903.1.18.2 Corporations which sell cat products should be contacted for general sponsorships.

903.1.19 Local Government Aid.

903.1.19.1 Local bureaus of publicity, Chambers of Commerce, etc. should be contacted as soon as a club plans to bid for an Annual. They can help in putting together a presentation package for the Board. They can help locate and get bids from hotels. They will assist in placing notices in local publication, placing banners in appropriate places, etc.

903.1.20 Advertising and Publicity.

903.1.20.1 Contact local TV stations that have talk shows or talk segments on news shows. If they have a regular segment with a veterinarian, contact the vet and ask to be a part of his/her segment during the week of the

show. Bringing cats of different breeds available to appear on TV is beneficial. Newer and rarer breeds attract more spectators.

903.1.20.2 Take out small display ads to run beginning with the weekend before the show, appearing daily through the weekend of the show. Ads should be placed in sections normally read by women. Ten-day rates are usually available.

903.1.20.3 Send flyers to local radio stations with a note requesting a radio interview, supplying a contact name and telephone number.

903.2 Annual Show Guidelines

903.2.1 Show Hall

903.2.1.1 Minimum of 35,000 square feet, 40,000 feet recommended

903.2.1.2 A minimum of Twelve (12) and a maximum of fourteen (14) rings set up in the center of the show hall with benching on two or four sides.

903.2.1.2.1 Rings may be set up back to back, with an exhibitor access corridor.

903.2.1.2.2 Rings may be set up in a square or rectangle, with open space in the center for Master Clerk(s) and Announcers. An exhibitor access corridor should be provided through the square or rectangle for access to rings.

903.2.1.3 Judging rings must have cages to accommodate 12 cats, 14 to 16 is preferable.

903.2.1.4 A sound system that will accommodate a central announcer with each clerk having his/her own connection to the announcer **OR** a sound system such that each ring clerk may do their own announcements without benefit of an announcer.

903.2.1.5 Vendor spaces should be provided so that they do not interfere with the flow of traffic to and from the rings, the Master Clerk or Announcer if an Announcer is used.

903.2.2 Show Format.

903.2.2.1 Two-day split format with continuous rings.

903.2.2.1.1 Show must be scheduled to begin no later than 9AM on Saturday and Sunday. Starting on time is important if show is to close on time.

903.2.2.1.2 Show must be completed by 5PM on Saturday. Judges and clerks could be advised that the closing time was approaching with an announcement, "The TICA Annual Cat Show for today will be closing in 15 minutes."

903.2.2.2 No more than two (2) Specialty Rings

903.2.2.3 Congresses, if any, on Friday night ONLY.

903.2.2.3.1 Congresses may be Breed or Breed Group congresses ONLY.

903.2.2.4 Educational Rings

903.2.2.4.1 Judging takes precedence over any Educational Rings for those cats entered in the show.

903.2.3 Judges and Trainees.

903.2.3.1 Selection of judges is at the sole discretion of the hosting Club.

903.2.3.1.1 Judges should be selected from the various regions, including international regions.

903.2.3.1.2 Judges should be selected for their ability to judge at a good pace.

903.2.3.2 The Club may not refuse to accept trainees.

903.2.3.2.1 Trainees from overseas should be given preference.

903.2.3.2.2 The number of trainees should be limited to the number of LICENSED Ring Instructors EXCEPT for Friday Night Congresses.

903.2.3.2.3 A judge may not have more than one trainee during the weekend.

903.2.3.2.4 Trainees may train on only ONE class (i.e. kittens, cats, alters, etc) EXCEPT in Friday Night Congresses where they may train on all classes of the Breed/Breed Group.

903.2.3.2.5 No "all day" training sessions or solo trainings.

903.2.4 Hospitality.

903.2.4.1 An area should be set aside for judges to have lunch.

903.2.4.2 Ice chest with water and soft drinks should be provided each ring, show hall permitting.

903.2.4.3 Litter should be accessible and in containers with scoops to avoid scattering it.

903.3 Production Company Guidelines

903.3.1 Increasingly, TICA clubs will be considering using professional show managers or show management companies to run or help them run their shows. This decision is one to be made by the Club. However, regardless of the club's decision, the show must be run according to TICA's rules.

903.3.2 In deciding whether or not to use a professional show manager or show management company, the club should consider what it expects the professional show manager or show management company to do, and the club to do. What follows are Guidelines to help clubs in deciding on the use of a professional show manager or show management company, as well as in negotiating a contract.

*What is their background and experience?

*What person will be in charge of your show?

*Who will prepare a contract to cover the show?

*Are they performance bonded? Insured?

*They should agree to make TICA's name and the club's name more prominent than their's on all materials.

*Who is representing the club in negotiations as its show committee?

*Does the contract cover the following:

*Can they sign the club's name as its agent?

*Will they agree to hold the club harmless?

*Have they agreed to follow all of TICA's rules?

*Are they aware that TICA rules make them responsible to the club's show committee?

*Who is paying what expenses?

*What will the club be paid? How? When?

*Does the contract cover all of the agreements with the club?

*How/when/why can it be canceled?

*Who checks for local licensing and permits? Who gets them?

*When does the club apply for the TICA Show License?

*Will the club coordinate its selection of judges with them? Number of rings?

*What person will be show manager at the show?

*Who selects/orders such things as rosettes, the show hall, etc.?

*Who contacts or approves vendors?

*Who will decide on the benching, layout of the show hall, etc.?

*What other things, specifically, will they be doing? What will the club be doing?

903.3.3 The professional show manager or show management company must, of course, become familiar with all of TICA's rules and By-Laws. In particular they (and your club) should specifically review the following before signing anything:

903.3.4 Definitions of TICA Shows. Show Rules: 20.13-20.16, 21.57(#), 21.58-21.64, 22.1(*)(#), 22.8, 25.1(+)(#), 25.3(+), 29.15(#).

903.3.5 Show Licenses, Fees and Insurance.

903.3.5.1 Performance Bond-Prior to issuing a license to a club using a professional show manager or a production company, the show manager or production company must first provide to the TICA Executive Office and the TICA club, a payment bond (performance) in the amount covering all show expenses including but not limited to: show hall rental, hotel expenses, judge's fees, clerk's fees, etc.

903.3.5.2 By-Laws.

- 903.3.5.3 Show Rules. (#)
- 903.3.5.4 Standing Rules. (#)
- 903.3.5.5 Show Committee and Show Management: Show Rules. (+)
- 903.3.5.6 Show Schedules and Dates: By-Laws, Standing Rules.
- 903.3.5.7 Judges Eligibility, Hiring, Payment: By-Laws: ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE, Show Rules: (#),.(+)
- 903.3.5.8 Show Flyers: Standing Rules.
- 903.3.5.9 Entries: Show Rules: (+), (#), (*)
- 903.3.5.10 Benching and Kitten Sales: Show Rules: (*), (+), (*), (*)
- 903.3.5.11 Paying Clerks: Standing Rules.
- 903.3.5.12 Show Hall, Ring Schedules, Judging: Show Rules: (*), (+)
- 903.3.5.13 Catalogs: Show Rules: (#), (+),.; Standing Rules..
- 903.3.5.14 Ribbons and Awards: Show Rules,(*), (#)
- 903.3.5.15 Discipline and Protests: By-Laws: ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO.
- * Specifies the duties of Show Management
- + Specifies the duties of the Club's Show Committee
- # Specifies the duties of the Club

903.4 Guidelines for the Use of the TICA Logo.

903.4.1 The TICA logo is a registered trademark of TICA, is the exclusive property of TICA, and may only be used by an individual or entity other than TICA, including an individual TICA member or TICA club, without any modification, and subject to any further restrictions as may be imposed by the Board of Directors, as follows:

903.4.1.1 A license is granted to all TICA clubs for use of the logo on show flyers if the logo is prominently displayed. All show flyers **must** display the TICA logo.

903.4.1.2 A license is granted to all TICA clubs for use of the logo on web pages promoting a TICA show if the logo is prominently displayed and accompanied by the HTML code provided by TICA. All such web pages **must** display the TICA logo.

903.4.1.3 A license is granted to all TICA clubs for use of the logo on advertising and other promotional material for a show.

903.4.1.4 A license is granted to all TICA clubs for the use of the logo on club stationary.

903.4.1.4.1 A conditional license is granted to all TICA chartered clubs for use of the TICA name within the name of the club, including as emphasized within one word of the club name (for example, the word TICA capitalized or set in bold type in the name).

903.4.1.5 A conditional license is granted for the use of the TICA logo on personal and cattery web sites or pages or any personal cattery stationery or promotional material, provided that the owner of any such web site or page or

cattery has fully completed and provided to the TICA Executive Office a completed waiver of liability form and places the following on the web site or page or promotional material:

903.4.1.5.1 “This cattery has not been inspected by and is not endorsed by The International Cat Association, Inc.”

903.4.1.5.2 This conditional license may be revoked or suspended by the Board of Directors at any time. The required form may be found on the TICA website.

903.4.2 Any other use of the TICA logo without written permission from the Board of Directors is specifically prohibited.

903.5 Legal Committee Guidelines.

903.5.1 All complaints and protests must be made on the official protest/complaint form as adopted by the Legal Committee. The Legal Committee may revise that form as needed.

903.5.2 The Executive Office shall forward to the Legal Counsel any protest or complaint that is received in the proper format and with the appropriate fee, and which is not a feline welfare complaint.

903.5.3 The Legal Counsel shall furnish a copy of the complaint or protest and all attachments to the Responding Party. The Responding Party shall be provided with an opportunity to reply to the complaint or protest. Such a reply must be received by the Chairman of the Legal Committee within 21 days.

903.5.4 Upon receipt of a response, or upon the expiration of 30 days, Legal Counsel shall forward the complaint or protest and the response, along with any accompanying documentation, to the rest of the Legal Committee.

903.5.5 Legal Counsel shall provide the Complaining Party with a copy of any response and accompanying documentation.

903.5.6 The Legal Committee may request further documentation and conduct whatever further investigation as it may deem appropriate.

903.5.7 The Legal Committee shall report its findings and opinions to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may then schedule a hearing, determine that no cause exists to conduct a hearing, or request further investigation or documentation.

903.5.8 In the event the Board of Directors schedules a hearing, Legal Counsel shall then notify the parties of the date, time and place of the hearing, and that the parties may appear in person or through an attorney and present evidence and documents in support of their positions, or may submit a written response to be presented at the hearing.

903.5.9 Any hearing shall be held in closed session.

903.5.10 The Legal Committee may revise these procedures as necessary to manage complaints and protests efficiently.

903.6 Guidelines for the TICA Webmaster.

903.6.1 The TICA Webmaster may place links on the TICA Website, at the Webmaster's discretion, as follows:

903.6.2 Links to member's websites:

903.6.2.1 The site shall belong to member in good standing of TICA who has a TICA registered cattery.

903.6.2.2 The site shall not display photographs of cats other than domestic cats unless such photographs refer to the Asian Leopard Cat, Jungle Cat or Serval as the ancestors of the Bengal Breed, Chausie Breed and Savannah Breed.

903.6.2.3 The site shall not refer to the current breeding of Asian Leopard Cats, Jungle Cats, Servals or any other non-domestic cat, alone or in conjunction with any other breeding program.

903.6.2.4 The site must use the same terms as used by TICA to describe breeds, colors, patterns, etc., except that the site may explain what other terms may be used that are not the proper TICA terms.

903.6.2.5 The site must not contain any erroneous or misleading information. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes erroneous or misleading information.

903.6.2.6 The site must not refer to TICA or its officers, directors, clubs or shows in a derogatory manner. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes derogatory information.

903.6.2.7 If the site uses the TICA logo, the owner of the site must have fully completed and signed a logo licence agreement.

903.6.2.8 The site must display a reciprocal link to the TICA site.

903.6.3 Links to other websites.

903.6.3.1 The site must be related to the objects and purposes of TICA.

903.6.3.2 The site must not contain any erroneous or misleading information. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes erroneous or misleading information.

903.6.3.3 The site must not refer to TICA or its officers, directors, clubs or shows in a derogatory manner. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes derogatory information.

903.6.4 Any breed accepted for registration in TICA may be linked provided they disclose the status of the breed in TICA, i.e., Registration Only, Preliminary New Breed, New Traits, Advanced New Breed, etc.

903.6.5 Links from the TICA website to other entities: The TICA website may display a link to the website of another entity under the following circumstances:

903.6.5.1 Commercial entities:

903.6.5.1.1. The entity has entered into an agreement with TICA, which includes the provision for such a link or the entity has paid for such a link or the link provides a source of revenue (ie Google ads, Amazon associates program).

903.6.5.1.2. Unless an agreement with the entity has been entered into for a specific period of time, TICA may remove the link at any time.

903.6.5.1.3. The entity is granted a conditional license for use of the TICA name and logo providing that the name and logo are accompanied by the HTML code provided by TICA. Such license may be revoked by TICA upon notice to the commercial entity.

903.6.5.1.4 The site must not contain any erroneous or misleading information. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes erroneous or misleading information. 903.6.5.1.5 The site must not refer to TICA or its officers, directors, clubs or shows in a derogatory manner. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes derogatory information.

903.6.5.2 Non-commercial entities:

903.6.5.2.1. The entity agrees to provide a reciprocal link to the TICA website which will be displayed in a prominent position.

903.6.5.2.2. Unless an agreement with the entity has been entered into for a specific period of time, TICA may remove the link at any time.

903.6.5.2.3. The entity is granted a conditional license for use of the TICA name and logo providing that the name and logo are accompanied by the HTML code provided by TICA. Such license may be revoked by TICA upon notice to the entity.

903.6.5.2.4 The site must not contain any erroneous or misleading information. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes erroneous or misleading information.

903.6.5.2.5 The site must not refer to TICA or its officers, directors, clubs or shows in a derogatory manner. The opinion of the TICA Webmaster shall be conclusive as to what constitutes derogatory information.

903.7 Hotel Room Inspection Procedures. It is recognized that exhibitors whose cats cause damage and unusual cleaning to hotel rooms cause show-production clubs great hardship. Therefore, at the option of the sponsoring club, the sponsoring club may elect to use the following procedures:

903.7.1 The show flyer shall clearly state the following:

903.7.1.1 "[Name of Club] has elected to use the Hotel Room Inspection Procedures for exhibitors who lodge at [Name of Hotel or Hotels] using the club's group booking. Entry in this show, and lodging at [Name of Hotel or Hotels] using the club's group booking, shall constitute an acknowledgment by and consent of the exhibitor to these procedures"

903.7.2 The club shall provide a copy of these rules to the show hotel, and obtain the cooperation of the hotel.

903.7.3 The exhibitor under whose name the hotel room is let shall, for the purposes of this rule, be the "Responsible Party."

903.7.4 "Damage" shall refer to abnormal wear and tear to the hotel room, including, but not limited to the following:

903.7.4.1 Cat urine.

903.7.4.2 Feces.

903.7.4.3 Claw marks.

903.7.4.4 Strong odor.

903.7.4.5 A substantial amount of cat litter outside a proper container.

903.7.4.6 A substantial amount of cat food outside a proper container.

903.7.4.7 Any other staining or damage not caused by normal wear and tear.

903.7.5 The hotel shall notify the show committee immediately upon ascertaining that a room has sustained Damage, but not later than 4 PM on the date the Responsible Party has checked out of the hotel.

903.7.6 The show committee shall then, accompanied by a staff member designated by the hotel, inspect the room and note the location and amount of any damage as well as the date and time of the inspection on an inspection report. If possible, the show committee shall notify the Responsible Party, who may attend the inspection. If either the hotel or the Responsible Party disagrees with the assessment of any damage as made by the show committee, the show committee shall, immediately upon conclusion of the inspection, allow that person to note the item or items of Damage disagreed with, as well as the date and time, on the inspection report.

903.7.7 The hotel will not undertake any cleaning or repair of the room until after the inspection. The hotel shall then provide the Responsible Party and the show committee with an itemized statement listing the cost of rectifying the Damage including repair, replacement or extraordinary cleaning fees (the "Repair Fees"). The club may elect to reimburse the Repair Fees directly to the hotel, in which case the club will immediately notify the Responsible Party that the club has done so.

903.7.8 The Responsible Party shall, within 21 days, reimburse the hotel or the club for the Repair Fees. Should the Responsible Party fail to pay the Repair Fees within 21 days, the club shall notify the Executive Office, who shall then notify the Responsible Party pursuant to the Bad Debt provisions of these rules. The Responsible Party shall provide proof of payment of the Repair Fees. If the Repair Fees remain unpaid, those fees shall be considered a Bad Debt within the meaning of these rules, and the Responsible Party shall be temporarily suspended pursuant to the Bad Debt provisions of these rules.

903.7.9 If, immediately upon check in, the Responsible Party determines that the room is not adequately clean, or that there is damage already existing to the room, the Responsible Party shall immediately, or as soon as practicable, notify a member of the show committee. The show committee shall then inspect the room in the presence of the Responsible Party, and document any already existing damage to the room. Existing damage documented by a member of the show committee, or person designated by the show committee for such documentation, shall not be the responsibility of the Responsible Party under this rule.

903.8 Hall of Fame.

903.8.1 From time to time the International Cat Association Board of Directors shall select certain individuals, who have contributed immeasurably to the success of the International Cat Association, for membership in the TICA Hall of Fame. This honor may be awarded to persons living or deceased. Nominees' contributions for consideration at the next Winter meeting must be submitted to the Regional Director by October 15th and to the Executive Office by November 15th.

903.8.2 The Regional Director shall discuss the names of the nominees at the Winter meeting of the BOD in Executive Session. If no names are submitted for the Winter meeting then they may be submitted to the Regional Director by February 15 and to the Executive Office by March 15 for the Spring Meeting. There shall be no limit to the number of names submitted by any Regional Director. It is not required that every Regional Director submit nominees every year.

903.8.3 Nominees shall be voted on at the Winter meeting, except if there are no nominees, nominees shall be voted on at the Spring meeting. Each Board

member will have 3 Hall of Fame votes and may not cast more than one vote per nominee. The two nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. A nominee must receive a minimum of a 2/3 vote of the Board. No more than two persons per year may be inducted; however, it is not required to induct anyone.

903.8.4 New inductees shall be highlighted and pictured in the TICA Yearbook. All members of the TICA Hall of Fame shall be listed each year in the Yearbook and the TICA TREND.

903.8.5 Inductees to the TICA Hall of Fame shall be awarded a plaque at the TICA Annual and a perpetual trophy will be kept at the Executive Office.

903.9 TICA Treasure.

903.9.1 From time to time the Board of Directors of The International Cat Association may select a member to be honored while living and whose title will be "TICA Treasure" in keeping with an old Japanese custom of honoring those who have contributed beyond measure to their chosen art, craft or profession. The official Yearbook of The International Cat Association shall devote a page (or section) titled "Our TICA Treasures", which shall include pictures and accomplishments of the recipients. Those persons selected for this honor may not be selected while holding elected office in this association and may only be so named by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the Board of Directors present and voting at the Winter meeting.

903.9.2 Nominations shall be submitted by letter to the Regional Director for presentation to the Board of Directors for consideration. Letters of nomination must outline in detail the contributions and accomplishments of the individual nominee. The Regional Director must receive letters of nomination no later than November 30th for consideration at the Winter meeting, or February 15 for consideration at the Spring meeting. Nominees must have been members of The International Cat Association for a minimum of 20 years.

903.9.3 A Regional Director shall make no more than one nomination per year. All voting shall be done by secret ballot and names shall be kept confidential until the announcement is made at the Annual Awards Banquet. Only one TICA Treasure may be awarded in any given year however, there may be years with no TICA Treasure nominated.

903.9.4 TICA Treasures shall be awarded a plaque at the TICA Annual and a perpetual trophy will be kept at the Executive office.

904 **Honors.**

905 **Protocols.**

905.1 TICA Outstanding Cattery Program (Replaces the TICA Voluntary Breeder Program)

905.1.1 In order to earn the designation of Outstanding Cattery, an applicant must complete the following requirements:

905.1.1.1 Sign the Code of Ethics as approved by the Board for this program.

905.1.1.2 Submit a Cattery Evaluation Form, completed and signed by the inspecting veterinarian.

905.1.2 Only one person may be named on the Outstanding Cattery Code of Ethics.

905.1.3 The TICA Executive Office shall note consecutive years of participation in the TICA Outstanding Cattery Program. If the current date of inspection is no more than 60 days past the prior year's inspection, the notation of years of participation will be printed on the current cattery certificate.

905.1.4 References to "Outstanding Cattery" on any material (i.e. web site, advertising, etc.) issued by the cattery must include the date that these designations were last earned.

905.1.5 TICA may, at any time, contact the inspecting veterinarian for verification of the information provided on the Cattery Evaluation Form.

905.2 Protocols on Procedure for Animal Abuse, Cruelty, and Neglect Complaints.

905.2.1 Written complaint received by Feline Welfare Chair.

905.2.2 Feline Welfare Chair confirms with Executive Office:

905.2.2.1 Is accused a current member of TICA?

905.2.2.2 Has accused registered litters/cats with TICA?

905.2.2.3 Has accused exhibited at TICA sanctioned shows?

905.2.2.4 Confirms that Executive Office records correspond with FW records as to whether accused is or is not participating in the TICA Responsible Breeder Program.

905.2.3 Notification.

905.2.3.1 Letter of acknowledgment sent to complaining party (petitioner).

905.2.3.2 Certified letter sent to accused party (defendant) notifying them of complaint filed, requesting a written response within 30 days. Include: copy of original complaint and copies of any documentation and copy of letter sent by Feline Welfare Committee to complainer/petitioner.

905.2.3.3 In the event a law enforcement agency, HSUS or city/county/state animal control is involved and has written eye witness testimony, video and/or photographs, these records requested in writing by the FW committee to be used as evidence at a possible hearing to be held at the next available TICA Board meeting.

905.2.3.4 In the event a court of law has determined the defendant is guilty or the defendant has pled guilty to animal abuse, neglect, or cruelty, then that court order is requested in writing by the FW Committee and will be presented at the TICA hearing as evidence.

905.2.3.5 Assume that response is received by defendant:

905.2.3.5.1 Copy of response sent to petitioner if indicated.

905.2.3.5.2 All copies furnished to the Board liaison by the FW committee.

905.2.3.5.3 In the event a rebuttal letter is received from the petitioner, it is also furnished to the Board liaison and the defendant.

905.3 Feline Welfare Committee Files Protest.

905.3.1 Consideration is given jointly by the FW Chair and the Board member liaison to all evidence in their possession.

905.3.1.1 TICA legal counsel is given all copies of documentation and the written recommendation from FW and the Board liaison.

905.3.1.2 If the preponderance of the evidence is against the defendant, as determined by the FW Chair, Board member Liaison and TICA legal counsel, then a hearing is set.

905.3.2 Notification to all parties:

905.3.2.1 The defendant is notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, that a hearing date and time has been set and the defendant and/or his/her representative is asked to appear. The Defendant is furnished with all the evidence against him or her. Failure to respond is considered an admission of guilt.

905.3.2.2 When return receipt of certified letter from defendant is returned to FW Chair, petitioner is notified that a hearing has been set. As all evidence should at this time be documented, there is no need for petitioner to appear, although he/she may appear at the hearing if desired.

905.3.3 Hearing held, determination made by TICA Board of Directors.

905.3.3.1 Defendant is notified in writing by the Executive Office of the decision by the Board. This letter is sent certified.

905.3.3.2 Petitioner notified in writing by the Executive Office as to the outcome of the hearing. This letter sent certified.

905.3.3.3 The TICA membership, other cat associations, and other concerned parties are notified via the TICA TREND publication of the Board minutes.

905.3.4 The fee for any complaint sent to the Executive Office and furnished to the Feline Welfare Standing Committee shall be \$15.

905.4 The Protocol Agreement between TICA and LOOF may be viewed on the website or a copy may be requested from the Executive Office.

906 **Samples.**

907 **Titles.**

907.1 Outstanding Sire and Dam. The titles earned by altered offspring shall count toward the requirements for Outstanding Sires/Dams. A male cat which has sired ten Grand Champions is entitled to apply for the prefix "Outstanding Sire". A female cat which has given birth to five Grand Champions is entitled to apply for the prefix "Outstanding Dam".

907.2 RW/IW. Beginning the show year 1996-97, International Winner (IW) and Regional Winner (RW) will automatically be added to the registration records of winners at the Executive Office. A new Certificate of Registration with the title added to the cat's name may be requested by submission of the original certificate and the fee for a duplicate record according to the current price list. Alternatively, the owner can use TICA's online services to reprint their registration certificate.

907.2.2 An International Win title will take precedence over a Regional Win title.

907.3 Lifetime Achievement Award. See 901.4.2.1.

907.4 Therapy Cat Title Program. The purpose of this title program is to honor cats and their owners for the dedication required in performing as a therapy team. Therapy teams might visit entities including, but not limited to, hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, group homes; schools, after school facilities, or individual's homes for those who are home bound, with the purpose of making a positive difference in peoples' lives.

907.4.1 Eligibility for titles.

907.4.1.1 The Therapy Cat Title Program is available only to TICA members in good standing.

907.4.1.2 Cats participating in the program must:

907.4.1.2.1 Be registered with TICA

907.4.1.2.2 Be registered/certified by and affiliated with a therapy pet organization approved by TICA as set forth in 907.4.5, 907.4.5.1 and 907.4.5.2. TICA does not certify cats.

907.4.1.2.3 Complete the required number of visits under the guidelines of the registering/certifying therapy pet organization

907.4.2 Requirements for titles.

907.4.2.1 The title of Therapy Cat (TC) is awarded after the team has completed 50 visits.

907.4.2.2 The title of Therapy Cat of Excellence (TCX) is awarded after the team has completed 100 visits.

907.4.2.3 The title of Therapy Cat of Distinction (TCD) is awarded after the team has completed 200 visits.

907.4.3 Claiming titles. Upon completion of the required number of visits, titles may be claimed by :

907.4.3.1 Completing the official claim for title form, documenting and certifying the required number of visits.

907.4.4 Recognition. Upon successful completion of each title level, the therapy cat will receive the appropriate certificate and badges. \$5.00 per title. (TC, TCX, TCD) \$5.00 per badge. (TC, TCX, TCD)

907.4.5 Approved pet therapy organizations.

907.4.5.1 The Executive Office will maintain and publish a list of approved organizations.

907.4.5.2 Additions to the list may be requested by participants submitting proof that an organization is an organized therapy animal group, it conducts a screening program for volunteers and their cats, provides educational material on volunteering in therapy situations, and provides insurance for their volunteers and animals.

907.4.6 Members participating in this title program must certify that they understand that this title program is not a Service Animal program and TICA's awarding of titles must not be used to gain any special access or privilege afforded to Service Animals.

908 **Miscellaneous**

908.1 Electronic Media. ONLY Board-approved software may be implemented for the association.

908.2 Proof of Authority. If the owner, breeder, or lessee of a cat is other than a natural person or persons, proof of authority to sign TICA forms must accompany each transaction.

908.3 Fees for Changes to Cat's Name, etc. The fee to change the name of a cat under Registration Rules, 39.4.4. shall be \$50.

908.4 Attachments (May be seen on the website or requested from the Executive Office.)

908.4.1 Organizational Procedures for a New Club

908.4.2 Application for Charter

908.4.3 Sample Club By-Laws

908.4.4 Sample Catalog Pages

908.4.5 Uniform "Finals" Pages

908.4.6 Official TICA Entry Form

908.4.7 TICA Judge's Contract

908.4.8 Proposal to Amend Rules

908.4.9 Proposal to Amend Standards

908.4.10 TICA Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program

908.5 Available for Purchase from the Executive Office and on the website www.tica.org.

908.5.1 Show Manager's Guide

908.5.2 Entry Clerk's Guide

908.5.3 By-Laws

908.5.4 Show Rules

908.5.5 Registration Rules

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