



# Standing Rules

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## **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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# By-Laws

## 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 and areas 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 TICA 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 fundraising 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:

	Online TREND	Printed TREND
1 Year	\$30	\$35 (40 International)
5 Year	\$135	\$160 (\$185 International)
1 Year Family	\$10	\$15 (North America only)
5 Year Family	\$40	\$65 (North America only)
1 Year Junior	\$0	(not available)
5 Year Junior	\$0	(not available)
Life Membership	\$1000	\$1000

Printed TREND subscription (North America) per year	\$5
Printed TREND subscription (International) per year	\$10

103.3.1.1 No matter when in a membership year (i.e. May 1 - April 30) a person joins TICA, they must renew that membership on May 1<sup>st</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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 Fees.

105.2.2.1 Filing Fees. The filing fee for election to Breed Committees is \$10.

105.2.2.2 Membership Fees. Any member qualifying for a position on a Breed Committee shall be required to pay membership dues for the entire term of office for which they qualify in addition to the filing fees.

106 **Appointed Officials, Committees, and Employees.** (By-Laws, Article Six)

106.2.2.1 Every 2 years and beginning with the 2022 Spring Meeting the Board of Directors shall appoint the members of the Judging Committee following the process outlined in Standing Rule 106.4.2.1.

106.2.2.2 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 106.4.2.1.10.

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. Each Standing Committee shall have a chairperson, members as needed and a Board member who works with the committee as a liaison and who serves on the Committee in a non-voting, ex-officio capacity. Each member of a Standing Committee shall sign a Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement (NDA) upon appointment. Signing the NDA is a requirement for remaining as a committee member.

106.4.1 Advisory Standing Committees. The following committees serve in an advisory capacity. These bring specialized knowledge and skills that aid the Board to make more effective decisions and develop and implement programs and activities designated by the Board to assist members on behalf of the Association. Unless otherwise specified, a member of an Advisory Standing Committee may not concurrently serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

106.4.1.1 Rules Committee. Ensures the clarity, consistency, and integrity of the governing documents of the Association, that changes are accurately and consistently reflected across all relevant documents, and that terminology is used appropriately and uniformly. The duties of the Rules Committee shall include, but not be limited to:

106.4.1.1.1 Review all proposed amendments to the Association's By-Laws, Show Rules, Registration Rules, Standards, and other governing documents.

106.4.1.1.2 Identify and document any additional rules or sections that may be affected by proposed changes.

106.4.1.1.3 Ensure that the language used in proposed amendments clearly conveys the intended meaning.

106.4.1.1.4 Promote consistency and uniformity in terminology across all governing documents.

106.4.1.1.5 Provide recommendations for revisions or clarifications to maintain coherence and alignment within the Association's rules and guidelines.

106.4.1.1.6 Offer for consideration by the Board of Directors analysis of both the pros and cons of implementing proposed amendments.

106.4.1.1.7 Collaborate with other committees or stakeholders as necessary to ensure comprehensive rule integration.

106.4.1.1.8 Provide, for publication in the Annual Membership Ballot, a brief explanation of why a proposed rule change is on the ballot, together with a list of pros and cons for consideration by voting members.

106.4.1.2 Genetics Committee. The duties of the Genetics Committee shall include, but not be limited to:

106.4.1.2.1 To advise the Board of Directors in any matter relating to breeds, breeding, TICA Standing Rules, Page 7

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colors, deformities, changes in Registration Rules, or any other matter in the field of genetics.

106.4.1.2.2 To advise the Board on the addition of New Traits and New Colors based on the most current information available.

106.4.1.2.3 To work with and provide guidance to breeders developing New Traits and New Colors from the start of their development program to the approval decision.

106.4.1.2.4 To advise the Executive Office of the New Traits and New Colors so the appropriate systems can be prepared.

106.4.1.2.5 To notify the Judging Administrator about New Traits and New Colors so the judges are aware of them.

106.4.1.2.6 To provide a written annual report about updates in genetic research to the Board on an annual basis at the Winter Board meeting.

106.4.1.3 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.

106.4.1.4 Feline Welfare Committee. To assist TICA members with feline welfare issues, to make recommendations to the 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.

106.4.1.5 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.

106.4.1.6 Standards Committee. To assist new breeds in developing well written and understandable breed standards; to assist existing Breed Committees with any proposed changes to their standards; act as a liaison between the existing Breed Committees, the TICA judges, and the Board of Directors to ensure that the terms used in existing Standards convey the meaning intended and to ensure uniformity of terminology through the existing Standards of the Association; and make certain all updates and new standards are incorporated into the Standards and on the TICA website.

106.4.1.7 Mentorship Committee. To assist new breeders and exhibitors through a matching program with established breeders and exhibitors in TICA for the purposes of education and guidance. The Committee shall be responsible for developing and maintaining guidelines for both mentors and mentees for review and approval by the Board.

106.4.2 Board Administrative Standing Committees. The following committees are created by the Board of Directors in order to perform certain delegated duties on behalf of the Board. Unless otherwise specified, a member of a Board Administrative Standing Committee may not concurrently serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

106.4.2.1 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.

106.4.2.1.1 The Judging Committee shall be comprised of 10 members representing four TICA Standing Rules, Page 8



international areas: North America, Europe, Asia and South America plus International (non-voting Regional Area).

106.4.2.1.2 The Judging Committee members shall be elected by a ballot of the participants in the Judging Program of the international area where they reside to serve a term of 4 years. 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.

106.4.2.1.3 Beginning with the Committee election in 2022, the number of Judging Committee members representing each international area shall be set as follows: North America – 5; Europe – 3; Asia – 1; and South America/International – 1.

106.4.2.1.3.1 Every 4 years thereafter and prior to the election, the Board shall review this allocation for appropriate area representation.

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

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

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

106.4.2.1.5.2 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.

106.4.2.1.6 Time of the Election. Beginning in April 2022 the election of the Judging Committee members shall take place on a rotational schedule every 2 years so that no more than half of the Committee is subject to election each cycle. For the initial election, three (3) of the committee members attributable to North America and two (2) committee members attributable to Europe, will serve two-year terms. Based upon the election results, members serving two-year terms will be comprised of those with the lower number of votes. Members serving four-year terms will be comprised of those with the higher number of votes. For subsequent elections, all members will serve a four-year term.

106.4.2.1.7 Announcement of Candidates. Eligible candidates shall declare their candidacy in writing to the Executive Office not more than 4 months nor less than 2 months before the election month.

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

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

106.4.2.1.10 Upon election or in case of a vacancy, the members of the Judging Committee shall appoint from among themselves two members to serve as TICA Judging Administrator and Deputy Judging Administrator. The TICA Judging Administrator is the chairperson of the Judging Committee. If the Judging Committee is unable to reach consensus on any of these appointments, then the President, with approval of the Board, shall make the necessary appointments.

106.4.2.1.11 Removal from the Judging Committee. The Board may remove a member from the Judging Committee for the following reasons:

106.4.2.1.11.1 A member no longer holds a valid TICA judging license.

106.4.2.1.11.2 A member is under disciplinary action by the Board.

106.4.2.1.11.3 Two thirds of the members of the Judging Committee (the total number of members includes the subject member) petition the Board to remove a member for any reason, including (but not limited to) lack of participation, poor behavior, or breach of confidentiality.

106.4.2.1.11.4 Two-thirds of the participants of the Judging Program of the same international area of a Judging Committee's member (the total number of members includes the subject member) petition the Board to remove the subject member for any reason, including (but not limited to) lack of participation, poor behavior, or breach of confidentiality.

**107 Duties of Officers.** (By-Laws, Article Seven)

107.4 Polls of Breed Committee members shall be conducted by the Executive Office, with the results reported back to the Breed Committee Chair.

**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: Great Lakes - 2022, Northwest - 2023, Mid Atlantic – 2024, Northern Europe – 2025, Northeast – 2026, Southwest - 2027, Southern Europe – 2028, South Central 2029, Southeast – 2030, Mid Pacific - 2031.

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.

109.2.1.1 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.

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

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

109.2.1.3.1 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.

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

109.2.1.5 In open sessions, Legal Counsel, the Chief Operating Officer, the Executive Secretary, the Marketing Director, and the Standing Committee Chairs are allowed to speak during deliberations if called upon by the Chairperson.

109.2.1.6 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.

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

#### **1010 Board of Directors Action by Mail Ballot.** (By-Laws, Article Ten)

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) (See Regional List next page)

## 1012.1 Regional List

<b>ASIA EAST(AE)</b>	San Marino	Singapore	Wyoming
Japan	Serbia	South Africa	Yukon, CA
South Korea	Slovakia	Syria	<b>SOUTH AMERICA(SA)</b>
<b>ASIA WEST(AW)</b>	Slovenia	Taiwan, China	Argentina
China	Spain	Thailand	Brazil
<b>EUROPE NORTH (EN)</b>	Switzerland	United Arab Emirates	Chile
Belgium	Turkey	Any country not yet assigned	Columbia
Belorussia	Vatican City	To an existing Region by the	Costa Rica
Denmark	<b>EUROPE WEST (EW)</b>	Board.	Dominican Republic
Estonia	Channel Islands	<b>MID ATLANTIC(MA)</b>	Ecuador
Finland	England	Delaware	El Salvador
Germany	Iceland	District of Columbia	Panama
Latvia	Ireland	Maryland	Paraguay
Lithuania	Isle of Mann	New Jersey	Peru
Luxembourg	Northern Ireland	Pennsylvania	Uruguay
Norway	Scotland	Virginia	Venezuela
Poland	Wales	West Virginia	<b>SOUTH CENTRAL (SC)</b>
Russia	<b>GREAT LAKES(GL)</b>	<b>MID PACIFIC (MP)</b>	Arkansas
Sweden	Illinois	Nevada	Colorado
The Netherlands (Holland)	Indiana	Northern California	Kansas
Ukraine	Iowa	Utah	Louisiana
<b>EUROPE SOUTH(ES)</b>	Kentucky	<b>NORTHEAST (NE)</b>	Mexico
Albania	Manitoba, CA	APO	Oklahoma
Andorra	Michigan	Connecticut	Texas
Armenia	Minnesota	Maine	<b>SOUTHEAST (SE)</b>
Austria	Missouri	Massachusetts	Alabama
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Nebraska	New Brunswick, CA	Florida
Bulgaria	North Dakota	New Hampshire	Georgia
Croatia	Nunavut, CA	New York	Guadeloupe
Cyprus	South Dakota	Newfoundland, CA	Martinique
Czech Republic	Ohio	Nova Scotia, CA	Mississippi
France	Wisconsin	Prince Edward Island, CA	North Carolina
Gibraltar	<b>INTERNATIONAL (IN)</b>	Ontario, CA	Puerto Rico
Greece	<b>(Non-voting region)</b>	Quebec, CA	South Carolina
Herzegovina	Australia	Rhode Island	Tennessee
Hungary	Brunel/Darussalam	Vermont	U.S. Virgin Islands
Israel	HongKong, China	<b>NORTH WEST (NW)</b>	<b>SOUTH WEST(SW)</b>
Italy	Jordan	Alaska	Arizona
Kosovo	Kuwait	Alberta, CA	Hawaii
Liechtenstein	Lebanon	British Columbia, CA	New Mexico
Macedonia	Indonesia	Idaho	Southern California
Malta	Malaysia	Montana	
Moldova	New Caledonia	Northwest Territory, CA	
Monaco	New Zealand	Oregon	
Montenegro	North Korea	Saskatchewan, CA	
Portugal	Pakistan	Washington	
Romania	Palestine		
	Philippines		
	Qatar		
	Saudi Arabia		

1012.1 Any country or area not yet assigned to an existing Region by the Board.

1012.1.1 Assignment of countries or areas to Regions. Countries or areas within the geographical boundaries of an existing Region are assigned to that Region. Countries or areas outside of the geographical boundaries of an existing Region will be designated as International (IN) unless otherwise assigned by the Board to a new or existing Region.

1012.2 Additional Regions. To apply for a full directorship, a region must have had a resident membership of 200 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; **Europe North** - Belorussia, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Ukraine; **Europe South** - Albania, Andorra, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Gibraltar, Greece, Israel, Kosovo, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey; **Europe West** - Channel Islands, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Mann, Northern Ireland; **Great Lakes** – Manitoba CA, Nunavut, CA; **North East** – Newfoundland and Labrador; **North West** - Alaska, Alberta CA, Northwest Territory CA, Saskatchewan CA, Yukon CA; **South America** - Entire Region; **South Central** – Mexico; **South West** - Hawaii; **International** - Entire Region.

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. Annual membership ballots shall be issued on or before October 31st, and other ballots as and when required. The Executive Office, or the firm conducting electronic voting, shall notify each member who is eligible to vote as follows:

1013.2.1 The Executive Office shall send by First Class Mail to those members who do not have electronic addresses on file or those members for whom the notification by the firm conducting electronic voting was rejected, a notice that voting is open and that includes instructions for either voting electronically or requesting a paper ballot.

1013.2.2 The firm conducting electronic voting shall send an electronic notification to all eligible voting members with links to and instructions for voting.

1013.2.3 The ballots for Regional Directors shall be forwarded only to members of the region voting on that director and ballots for Breed Committee members shall be forwarded only to members of the relevant Breed Section(s).

1013.2.4 If a member requests a paper ballot, the Executive Office shall include with each ballot a return envelope, printed on whatever colored paper is most difficult to duplicate by photocopying or scanning yet is still practicable for use and addressed to the firm who has been designated to count the ballots, and include a signature line for the member to validate the ballot.

1013.2.5 Membership Ballot Contents. 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 together with a list of pros and cons. If the ballot does not contain the entire text of any proposed amendment to the Show Rules, Registration Rule and/or By-Laws, the proposed text shall be included with the ballot. Ballots containing elections for President, Vice President and Regional Directors must provide for Write-In votes.

1013.2.6 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.

1013.2.7 Members residing outside of North America may submit their ballots to the firm counting the ballot 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 firm counting the ballot. In the event a mailed ballot is received by the firm counting the ballot from the same member that has submitted a ballot via facsimile, the mailed ballot will be counted, and the facsimile ballot discarded.

### 1013.3 Validation of Ballots.

1013.3.1 The Executive Office will forward to the firm counting the ballot a list of members eligible to vote, sorted by region and then alphabetically and a listing of the members requesting duplicate ballots and the date the member placed the ballot in the mail.

1013.3.2 Paper ballots may not be opened and tallied until the close of the election.

1013.3.3 Paper ballots shall not be validated if:

1013.3.3.1 The return envelope is unsigned.

1013.3.3.2 The member is not on the valid membership list, and it is determined that they are ineligible to vote.

1013.3.3.3 The postmark date on any ballot submitted by a member who has requested a duplicate ballot is not on or near the date certified by the member that the ballot was mailed.

1013.3.3.4 Any ballot received via facsimile that is: submitted by a person not on the valid membership list and it is determined they are ineligible to vote, is unsigned, or for which the firm counting the ballot has also received a paper ballot or electronic vote.

1013.3.3.5 An envelope contains more than one general ballot, ballot for the region or ballot for breed section(s) for which the member is entitled to vote.

1013.3.4 Votes for officers or proposals shall not be tallied if such vote is not legible.

#### 1013.4 Notification of Results.

1013.4.1 Only after tallying all validated ballots, shall the firm counting the ballots 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.

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 they qualify 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 and on the TICA website is \$30. Candidates may include a photo with the statement. Statements are limited to the TICA Standing Rules, Page 15

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August/September and October/November Trend and are published on the TICA website until the end of the appropriate election cycle.

1014.2.4 No other advertisement, endorsement or article on any candidacy may be printed in the official newsletter.

1014.3.1 Anyone who is drafted by write-in vote of the membership shall fulfill all qualifications of those filing for office.

1014.3.2 To be considered a valid vote, a write-in candidate must meet the criteria set out in Bylaw 114.2; otherwise, the vote will be declared void and not counted.

#### 1015 **Recall.** (By-Laws, Article Fifteen)

##### 1015.3.1 Signatures

For the purposes of Article 15 and Article 16 of the Bylaws, physical signatures, digital signatures and electronic signatures may be used. Digital and electronic signatures may be collected through the use of a third-party web site including, but not limited to, organizations that are in the business of providing online petition services.

1015.3.1.1 In all cases a signature by itself is not acceptable. It must be associated with whatever document the signatory is signing.

1015.3.1.2 Physical signatures shall also include scans, digital photos and facsimiles of a signed document.

1015.3.1.3 Electronic signatures shall include, as a minimum, the member's name and their email address (as recorded in their TFMS account). Electronic signatures may be submitted either individually or as part of an electronic file containing multiple members' electronic signatures. All submitted files shall be in a form capable of being read by the Executive Office.

##### 1015.3.2 Fees

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. Amendments to the Registration Rules must also be submitted in writing at the same time to the Genetics Committee to allow time for review in order to reach the Executive Office 60 days prior to the opening of the meeting. Proposals received by the Rules Committee (and Genetics Committee where applicable) 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 and Genetics Committee where applicable (including, but not limited to, the Uniform Color Descriptions and Standing Rules affecting a Registration Rule) 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 (and Genetics Committee where applicable) 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.

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

1018.2.2 The fee for a poll of the Breed Section is \$200. This fee will be waived if no poll has been requested by the Breed Chair/Breed Committee within the last 2 years.

1018.2.3 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.

## 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 TICA Standing Rules, Page 17

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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 clubsshall be exempt from license fees for their first show for a period of 1 year.

1021.2Charter 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.

1021.3 The formal approval of the relevant Regional Director or Associate Director is required before chartering a club. The relevant Regional Director or Associate Director has 14 calendar days after being notified by the Executive Office to object to the application. If the proposed club is not approved, the Regional Director or Associate Regional Director must provide in writing their reasons to the Board of Directors within 14 calendar days. The proposed club may also submit supporting reasons for their application to the Board within 14 calendar days. The Board will then make the final decision on the application within 30 calendar days.

#### 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 electronic files submitted, which must include the complaint form and any attachments and documentation.

1022.2.1.1 The filing fee for a single electronic file shall be \$75. This fee is waived on complaints from the Judging Committee.

1022.2.1.2 The filing fee for more than a single electronic file shall be \$75, PLUS \$5 for each additional file.

1022.2.1.3 There shall be no fee for filing a response as a single electronic file. For each additional file the fee shall be \$5 per file.

1022.2.1.4 In the event that a hard copy of the complaint is filed, the filing fee shall be \$75.

1022.2.1.5 The Executive Office and/or Legal Counsel may reject any files not submitted in a readable format or request that they be reformatted so that they become readable and/or easily transmittable.

1022.2.1.6 The entire filing fee will be refunded if the final Board decision is in favor of the complainant.

1022.2.2 For the purposes of Article 22 of the By-Laws, "present, in person" may include the use of audio and/or video or other electronic conferencing where all parties involved in the hearing can be  
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simultaneously connected.

1022.2.3 The Board of Directors shall determine the most appropriate means of conducting the hearing.

**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 or Provisional 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, a debt to an exhibitor, or a debt to a TICA judge and/or official.

1026.1.1 If a Bad Debt is disputed, the Debtor or Responsible Party may request the matter be

determined by the Board of Directors. They must request this determination, in writing, using the official TICA complaint form. The filing fee for this matter, based on a single electronic file, shall be zero. The filing fee for any additional files is specified in Rule 1022.2.1.3. There is no entitlement 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.

## 1026.2 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.

1026.2.3 Temporary Suspension. The Debtor or Responsible Party is placed on Temporary Suspension when the debt is identified by the Executive Office. The start point of the suspension period is defined in each section below.

1026.2.3.1 During the suspension period all TICA services (including any access to online services) are suspended until either the debt is paid or the Board of Directors determines that the debt is invalid.

1026.2.3.2 If the debt is not due to TICA, then proof of payment must be sent to the Executive Office.

1026.2.3.3 Any work in progress is also held for a period of 10 days after notification, before then being returned to the Debtor or Responsible Party.

## 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.

1026.3.2 If the debt remains unpaid 30 days after notification by the Executive Office, and the debt is not disputed, the Debtor or Responsible Party’s name(s) shall be included in the “Temporary Suspension” list published in the TICA TREND automatically.

## 1026.4 Responsible Party.

1026.4.1 In the event that the Debtor is a TICA sanctioned club or affiliated organization, and the debt is based on a check that has been returned unpaid, the Responsible Party is the signatory of the check. In the event that the Debtor is a TICA club or affiliated organization, and the debt is based on an electronic payment that has not been refunded or returned, the Responsible Party includes all club officers as listed on the current club charter or all officers of the affiliated organization. For the purposes of identifying the Responsible Party, the Counselor is an advisor to the club and not considered as an officer of the club.

## 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 electronic mail, with a

copy sent by post, and shall inform the Debtor or Responsible Party of the entire sum due.

1026.5.3 Upon giving notice the Executive Office shall 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 when notice of the indebtedness is sent to the Debtor.

1026.5.3.2.1 During the next 10 days 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 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, or a TICA club is indebted to an exhibitor 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 or club, within 14 days after the completion of the show, but not later than May 5 of the subsequent show year, whichever 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:

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Dear Exhibitor or Club,

You still owe *[Name of Club or Exhibitor]* 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 or Exhibitor]* 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:

(For Exhibitor as debtor)

Loss of all points from the date of the show until the date the debt is paid

Suspension from TICA services

(or, for Club as debtor)

Suspension from TICA services of all officers listed on the club charter

Refusal or withdrawal of show licenses for future shows.

You may pay the debt by mailing funds to *[Specific name and address to which funds should be mailed]* or by any other method acceptable to both parties. 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<sup>th</sup>, whichever date is sooner].

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1026.6.2 Upon giving notice the Executive Office shall place the Debtor or Responsible Party on Temporary Suspension. If the Debtor is a club, the club shall be considered to be not in good standing for any purpose with TICA.

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.

1026.6.2.2 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.

1026.6.3 If the club or exhibitor 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 or exhibitor shall waive any involvement of the Executive Office. The procedure set forth in these Standing Rules may not be used if the club or exhibitor fails to provide information in accordance with the above timeline.

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 or Responsible Party by electronic mail, with a copy sent by post, and shall inform them of the entire sum due.

1026.6.5 If the debt is paid within 10 days after notification or after May 25, whichever date is sooner, the Executive Office shall process the work on hold; if the debt has not been paid by the Executive Office shall:

1026.6.5.1 Return the held work to the Debtor or Responsible Party, unprocessed,

1026.6.5.2 Retroactively revoke any points accrued by any cats owned by the Debtor or Responsible Party from the first day of the show to which the debt relates until the debt is paid in full.

1026.6.5.3 If the Debtor is also a TICA Club, the club shall remain not in good standing for the purpose of TICA.

#### 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 electronic mail, with a copy sent by post, and shall inform the Debtor or Responsible Party of the entire sum due.

1026.7.2 Upon giving notice the Executive Office shall place the Debtor or Responsible Party on Temporary Suspension as of the first day of the related show.

1026.7.3 In the event 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 Entity cannot be located.

1026.8.1 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.

## Show Rules

### 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.

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

202.2.1 Two times in 1 day.

202.2.2 Three times in 2 days.

202.2.3 Four times in 3 days.

202.3.1 The club that applies for the show license is responsible for abiding by all rules related to the conduct of the show.

202.3.2 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.

202.3.2.1 Show Supplies. Show supplies shall be sent if requested following 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.

202.3.3 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 per Congress Ring or Household Pet Ring per Show Rules 21.70, 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.



202.3.4 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.

202.3.5 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.

#### 202.4 Annual Awards Fees.

##### 202.4.1 Fees per Ring

202.4.1.1 \$20 per Allbreed Ring.

202.4.1.2 \$20 per Specialty Ring (LH/SH).

202.4.1.3 \$10 per Congress Ring or Household Pet Ring per Show Rules 20.70, 20.71 and 20.72).

202.4.1.4 \$10 per Allbreed Household Pet Ring (Stand Alone Show).

202.4.1.5 \$5 per Specialty Household Pet Ring (Stand Alone Show).

202.4.1.6 The club is required to pay these fees.

202.5.1 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.

202.5.2 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. No entry shall be accepted without a TICA registration number unless documentation is provided with the entry that shows the entry is eligible for registration in TICA. Such documentation includes, but is not limited to the following:

- a. TICA litter registration;
- b. TICA breeder slip;
- c. Registration certificate from any association recognized by TICA;
- d. Certified pedigree from any association recognized by TICA;
- e. Registration certificate of both of the parents or the entry by either c or d above.

Documentation must be submitted with the entry form. Copies of that documentation shall be submitted to the Executive Office with the Master Catalog.

203.1.1.1 If the Executive Office finds that the documentation submitted is insufficient or invalid, the entry clerk and exhibitor will be notified, by email, if available. Failure to provide acceptable documentation to the Executive Office within 72 hours will result in the entry not being counted.

203.1.1.2 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”. This rule is suspended for the show season 2022/2023 only.

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 veterinarian'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)

Grand Champion (GRC)

Double Grand Champion (DGC)

Champion Alter (CHA)

Grand Champion Alter (GCA)

DGC Alter (DGCA)

Triple Grand Champion (TGC)  
Quadruple Grand Champion (QGC)  
Supreme Grand Champion (SGC)

TGC Alter (TGCA)  
QGC Alter (QGCA)  
SGC Alter (SGCA)

Household Pet

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

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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. For purposes of scoring for individual cat titles, cats shown in the 2019/2020 show season will have titles recomputed under Standing Rule 207.1.1.2 -Isolated Areas and be notified that those titles may be claimed. Those cats, along with additional cats shown in the 2020/2021, 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 show seasons, will continue to earn titles computed under Standing Rule 207.1.1.2-Isolated Areas through April 30, 2023. At the conclusion of the 2022/2023 show season and prior to reverting to non-isolated scoring, the Executive Office will notify owners of any unclaimed titles earned under these rules and allow a reasonable period of time to claim titles.

207.1.1.1

Champion	HHP	Requirements for Titles
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 any final in AB
DGC DGCA	DGM	2000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
TGC TGCA	TGM	3000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
QGC QGCA	QGM	4000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
SGC SGCA	SGM	6000 points plus 1 Best Cat as a QGC/QGCA/QGM

207.1.1.2

Champion	HHP	Isolated Areas:
CH CHA	MS	Requirements for Titles
GRC GCA	GRM	150 points from 2 different judges, plus one final
		500 pts with 3 finals, 1 in top 5 SP or any final in AB

DGC DGCA	DGM	1000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
TGC TGCA	TGM	1500 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
QGC QGCA	QGM	2000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in 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.

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

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

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

(Chart for Title Points continued on next page)

<b>Specialty Final Points</b>									
<b><i>Best</i></b>	<b><i>2<sup>nd</sup></i></b>	<b><i>3<sup>rd</sup></i></b>	<b><i>4<sup>th</sup></i></b>	<b><i>5<sup>th</sup></i></b>	<b><i>6<sup>th</sup></i></b>	<b><i>7<sup>th</sup></i></b>	<b><i>8<sup>th</sup></i></b>	<b><i>9<sup>th</sup></i></b>	<b><i>10<sup>th</sup></i></b>
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 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 if sent by first class mail or better, if sent by electronic means within 72 hours. The show committee is also required to forward one completely marked catalog to the judging administrator, the clerking administrator, to each judge, the master clerk, the ring clerks, TICA Standing Rules, Page 29

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and to any person who ordered a marked catalog no later than 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, and the Executive Office.

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

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 *"Rule Deleted" – 2013 Annual Board Meeting.*

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.

209.4.7.1 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)

2010.5 While left unattended in the benching area, cats must remain secured within an enclosure,

2011 **Catalog.** (Show Rules, Article Eleven)

2011.1 A club may also publish and offer a catalog in electronic form for those exhibitors requesting that format.

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

2011.6 When a club publishes an electronic catalog, the electronic catalog may be distributed up to two days before the show.

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 Final Awards.** (Show Rules, Article Twelve)

2012.2 Final Awards. Clubs cannot require that a judge hand out any Final Awards 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.

2013.1.3 A TICA judge is prohibited from training individuals from another feline association while acting as a TICA guest judge.

**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 & Licensed Guest Judges - \$1.30 per entry.

2014.1.1.2 Provisional Allbreed Judge & Guest Judges - \$.95 per entry.

2014.1.1.3 Approved Specialty Judge - \$.75 per entry.

2014.1.1.4 Probationary Specialty Judge - \$.65 per entry.

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.

*(NOTE: See Judging Program 44.8 for fees given to licensed ring instructors.)*

**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 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 executing 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 their 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. Clubs must notify all judges if they plan to use 2-part judges' books and accommodate any judge who desires a 3-part book.

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)

## Registration Rules

### 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 amended 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.

303.3.1.5 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)

303.3.2.1 The fee for a poll of the Breed Section is \$200.

303.3.3.7 The fee for a poll of the Breed Section is \$200.

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)

303.9 NewTrait: 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)

303.9.2.6.1 The fee for a poll of the Breed Section is \$200.

303.10.3.5 A processing fee of \$50.

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/S BT</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. (See next page)

307.1 Quick Reference Chart (see next page)

<b>Category I Established Breed</b>	<b>Category II Natural Breed</b>	<b>Category III Variant/Mutation Breed</b>	<b>Category IV Domestic Hybrid Breed</b>
<b>SBT(V)</b>	<b>SBT(V, P), 01T(V, P), 02T(V, P), 03T(V, P)</b>	<b>SBT(V) AOP, BOP, COP</b>	<b>SBT(V) AOP, BOP, COP</b>
<b>Permissible Outcross</b> Only within breed group No unknowns No outside breeds	<b>Permissible Outcross</b> Only within Breed Group Unknowns permitted	<b>Permissible Outcross</b> 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.	<b>Permissible Outcross</b> 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 Burmese British LH/SH Chausie Egyptian Mau Exotic Shorthair Havana Himalayan Maine Coon Maine Coon Polydactyl Oriental LH/SH Persian Pixiebob LH/SH Ragdoll Russian Blue Savannah Siamese Somali Toyger	Chartreux Cymric Japanese Bobtail LH/SH Khao Manee Kurilian Bobtail LH Kurilian Bobtail SH Korat Manx Norwegian Forest Siberian Singapura Thai Turkish Angora Turkish Van	American Bobtail LH/SH American Curl LH/SH* Cornish Rex Devon Rex Donskoy LaPerm LH/SH* Lykoi Munchkin LH/SH Nebelung* Scottish Fold LH/SH* Scottish Straight 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 Polydactyl
Balinese	Oriental Longhair
Bengal	Oriental Shorthair
Bengal Longhair	Persian
Birman	Pixiebob/Pixiebob LH
Bombay	Ragdoll
British Longhair	Russian Blue
British Shorthair	Savannah
Burmese	Siamese
Chausie	Somali
Egyptian Mau	Toyger
Exotic Shorthair	

307.3 Category II Breeds. The following breeds (together with acceptable origins) are included in Category II:

Chartreux (France)	Norwegian Forest (Norway)
Japanese Bobtail LH/SH (Orient)	Siberian (Russia)
Khaomanee (Thailand)	Singapura (Singapore)
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:

Category III Breeds	Accepted Outcrosses
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

LaPerm/LaPerm Shorthair	Domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed *
Lykoi	Solid black domestic shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed
Munchkin MunchkinLonghair	Domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed
Nebelung	Russian Blue *
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:

Category IV Breeds	Accepted Source Breeds
Burmilla Burmilla Longhair	Burmese, Persian
Highlander HighlanderLonghair	Domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed
Minuet Minuet Longhair	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.

307.6.3 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:

Aphrodite SH/LH AsianLH(Tiffanie) Asian SH Bristol California Spangled Ceylon Chantilly ChineseHarlequin	Copper European Burmese European Shorthair German Rex Mandalay Minskin Ojos Azules Ojos Azules LH	Ragamuffin Ruffle Safari Sokoke Tiffany Vienna Woods York Chocolate
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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.

308.2 A cattery name must be a single word containing only letters, numbers or diacritical Latin letters (e.g. ö, é, å).

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 Pedigrees from Other Registries.

309.9.2.1 Pedigrees from Other Registries. In addition to the currently recognized registries, with effect from March 10, 2021, the Executive Office shall accept pedigrees from other registries that meet one of the following criteria:

309.9.2.1.1 The registry is from a World Cat Congress member or an association with which TICA has a formal agreement for mutual acceptance of pedigrees.

309.9.2.1.2 The registry is an active TICA chartered club that produces TICA shows, provided that the measures and procedures implemented by the club for issuing their own pedigrees are at least as stringent or as restrictive as TICA Rules. The registry must also be approved by the relevant Regional Director.

309.9.2.1.3 The registry is an independent club that has licensed judges and holds shows and must also be approved by the relevant Regional Director.

309.9.2.2 If the registry is not approved by the relevant Regional Director (as required by 309.9.2.1.2 or 309.9.2.1.3), either the registry or the person requesting registration may appeal to the Board to review the decision. The decision of the Board is final.

309.9.2.3 If considered in the best interests of the Association, the Board may approve a registry that does not meet the above criteria.

309.9.2.4 The Executive Office shall maintain and make available for the member a list of the registries recognized for registration in TICA.

309.9.2.5 The Board may direct the Executive Office to refuse recognition of new pedigrees from a registry if that registry no longer meets the above criteria.

309.9.2.6 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.

## **Judging Program**

401 (See separate document titled “**Judging Program**”).)

## **Clerks**

501 **Clerks (Also see separate document titled “Clerking Manual”).)**

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.

## **Scoring**

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. Members and/or exhibitors that are on active military duty in any region of TICA, may elect to be scored in the region in which they have their Legal Residence pursuant to the military regulations of their country. Cats must still be shown at least once in the region of residence to earn regional awards (see 901.4.3.2).

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 their 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. For the 2021-2022 awards the deadline to claim titles that will be reflected on the awards for the season is extended to seven days after the final scoring of shows is completed and the title confirmation letters have been sent.

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.

601.2.22 **Scoring Chart for Allbreed Rings** (also on the TICA website)  
 (see Scoring Chart for Allbreed Rings next page)

## Scoring Chart for Allbreed Rings

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

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	61	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	104	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	143	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

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



# Standards

701 **Standards.** (Available from the Executive Office and on the TICA Executive Office website, [www.tica.org](http://www.tica.org)).

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

701.2 Championship Breeds.

<b>AbyssinianGroup</b> Abyssinian Somali	Traditional Category, Tabby and Silver/Smoke Division, limited to the eumelanistic colors and agouti pattern only
<b>American Bobtail Group</b> American Bobtail American Bobtail Shorthair	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>American Curl Group</b> American Curl American Curl Longhair	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>American Shorthair Group</b> American Shorthair American Wirehair	Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors
<b>Australian Mist</b>	Sepia Category only, Tabby Division - Spotted and Marbled only, Limited to eumelanistic colors only
<b>Bengal Breed Group</b> 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
<b>Birman</b>	Pointed Category, Solid Point/White, Tortie Point/White, Tabby Point/White and Silver and/or Smoke Point/White Divisions, gloved pattern only, all colors
<b>British Breed Group</b> British Shorthair British Longhair	Traditional and Pointed Category, all divisions, all colors
<b>Burmese Group</b> Burmese Bombay	Sepia Category, Solid and Tortoiseshell Division, all colors Traditional Category, Solid Division, black only
<b>Burmilla Group</b> Burmilla Burmilla Longhair	Traditional & Sepia Categories; Silver and/or Smoke Division, Shaded & Chinchilla Patterns only; All colors
<b>Chartreux</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, blue only
<b>Chausie</b>	Traditional Category, Solid and Tabby Divisions, Black, Brown (Black) Ticked Tabby, and Black Grizzled Ticked Tabby colors only
<b>Cornish Rex</b>	All Categories, all divisions, all colors

<b>Devon Rex</b>	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Donskoy</b>	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Egyptian Mau</b>	Traditional Category, Silver/Smoke and Tabby Divisions, spotted pattern only
<b>Havana</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, chocolate based eumelanistic colors only (chocolate, lilac)
<b>Japanese Bobtail</b> <b>Japanese Bobtail Longhair</b>	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Khao Manee</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, White only
<b>Korat</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, Blue only
<b>Kurilian Bobtail Group</b> Kurilian Bobtail Kurilian Bobtail Longhair	Traditional Category, All Divisions, All Colors
<b>LaPerm Group</b> LaPerm LaPerm Shorthair	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Lykoi</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, Black only. Musthave amelanistic (roan) pattern in the coat.
<b>Maine Coon Group</b> Maine Coon Maine Coon Polydactyl	Traditional Category, all divisions, only dominant black-based (B/-) colors including the result of the sex-linked red allele (Xo). Note: Non-dominant black based (b/-, b1/-) modified colors such as chocolate, lilac, cinnamon, fawn and caramel not allowed
<b>Manx Group</b> Manx Cymric	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Minuet Group</b> Minuet Minuet Longhair	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Munchkin Group</b> Munchkin Munchkin Longhair	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Nebelung</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, Blue only
<b>Norwegian Forest</b>	Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors
<b>Ocicat</b>	Traditional Category, Silver/Smoke and Tabby Divisions, spotted pattern only, eumelanistic colors only
<b>Persian Group</b> Exotic Shorthair Himalayan Persian	All Categories, all divisions, all colors Pointed Category, all divisions, all colors Traditional, Sepia, and Mink Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Peterbald</b>	Traditional and Pointed Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Pixiebob Group</b> Pixiebob Pixiebob Longhair	Traditional Category, Tabby Division, Brown (Black) Spotted Tabby
<b>Ragdoll</b>	Pointed Category, Solid Division, Tabby Division, Tortie Division, Solid/ White, Tortie/White and Tabby/White Divisions (mitten and bicolor patterns only), all colors
<b>Russian Blue</b>	Traditional Category, Solid Division, Blue only

<b>Savannah</b>	Traditional Category, Solid, Tabby and Silver/Shaded Divisions, Black, Brown (Black) Spotted Tabby, Silver Spotted Tabby and Black Smoke only
<b>Scottish Fold Group</b> Scottish Fold Longhair Scottish Straight LH/SH	All Categories, All Divisions, All Colors.
<b>Selkirk Rex Group</b> Selkirk Rex Selkirk Rex Longhair	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Siamese Group</b> Siamese/Balinese Oriental Shorthair/Oriental Longhair	Pointed Category, all divisions, all colors Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors
<b>Siberian</b>	Traditional and Pointed Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Singapura</b>	Sepia Category, Tabby Division, Sable Ticked only (see breed standard)
<b>Snowshoe</b>	Pointed Category, Solid Point/White, Tortie Point/White, Tabby Point/White and Silver and/or Smoke Point/White Divisions (mited and bicolor patterns), all pointed colors
<b>Sphynx</b>	All Categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Thai</b>	Pointed Category, Solid, Tortie and Tabby Divisions, All colors
<b>Tonkinese</b>	Sepia, Mink and Pointed Categories, Solid and Tortoiseshell Division
<b>Toyger</b>	Traditional Category, Tabby Division, Brown (Black) Mackerel Tabby only
<b>Turkish Angora</b>	Traditional Category, all divisions, all colors
<b>Turkish Van</b>	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.)
<b>Household Pet</b> Household Pet Longhair Household Pet Shorthair	All categories, all divisions, all colors

### 701.3 New Breeds.

<b>Highlander Group</b> Highlander Highlander Longhair	All categories, Solid, Tortie, Tabby and Silver/Smoke Divisions, all colors
<b>Serengeti</b>	Traditional Category, Solid, Tabby and Silver/Smoke; Black, Brown (Black)
<b>Tennessee Rex Group</b> Tennessee Rex Longhair Tennessee Rex Shorthair	All categories, all divisions, all colors
<b>Toybob</b> <b>Toybob Longhair</b>	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

<u>Code</u>	<u>Breed</u>	<u>Championship</u>	<u>LH/SH</u>
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	1991	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
CB	Cherubim	2025	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
HG	Highlander	2025	
HGS	Highlander SH	2025	SH
HI	Himalayan	1979	
JB	Japanese Bobtail	1979	SH
JBL	Japanese Bobtail Longhair	1991	
KM	Khaomanee	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
TR	Tennessee Rex LH	2024	SH
TRS	Tennessee Rex SH	2024	
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:

SE	Serengeti SH (ANB)	
TB	Toybob (ANB)	SH
TBL	Toybob Longhair (ANB)	

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:

APL	Aphrodite LH (RE)	
APS	Aphrodite SH (RE)	SH
ANL	Asian Longhair (Tiffanie)	
ANS	(RE) 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)	
MSL	Minskin (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)	

# Awards

## 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 7<sup>th</sup>.

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 at the Annual Awards Banquet with an award. 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 21<sup>st</sup> Best through 25<sup>th</sup> 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:

901.4.26.4 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.

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

901.4.26.6 Photocopies of any plaques received.

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

901.4.26.8 A check or money order made payable to TICA, for \$20.

901.4.26.9 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 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> (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 during the show year for which the regional award was won. An exception will be made in the case of kittens and household pet kittens in that a show as an adult will fulfill the requirement that they be shown one time in the region. This rule is suspended for the 2020/2021, 2021/2022, 2022/2023, 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 show seasons.

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. For the 2021/2022 show season the aggregate points must be at least 500 (300 for International area). Beginning with show season 2022/2023 the aggregate points must be at least 1,000 (600 for International area). 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, providing those points aggregate at least 1,000. 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 and Lifetime Achievement recipients are honored at the Annual Awards Banquet. All three (kitten, cat and alter) may be brought up together and presented.

901.4.3.5.3 International Best of Breed winners and Lifetime Achievement recipients are pictured in the TICA Yearbook and on the TICA website.

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 Specialbreed 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 of 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.

# Forms

## 902 Forms.

### 902.1 Official Forms List.

#### Form Numbers

##### **Cattery**

A-1000	CatteryEvaluationForm
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 CharterApplication
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	BankWire Transfer
E-4030	Cover Sheet Temporary Suspension File
E-4040	Credit Card Machine Insert
E-4050	DailyActivityRecord
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	IncorrectAddressInsert
E-4160	Label
E-4170	Letterhead
E-4180	Money Insert
E-4190	OfficialComplaintForm
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 DbI New
M-8020	Membership Card DbI 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

# Guidelines

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

903.1 *For the 2021 Awards Ceremony only, these guidelines are suspended. 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. TICA shall ensure that any such requirements are communicated to the club(s) as soon as possible after entering into any agreement. 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.

(See next page for Annual Preparation Guidelines)

Annual Preparation Timeline					
3 Years Prior	2 Years Prior	1 Year Prior	6Months Prior	3 Weeks Prior	2 Weeks Prior
1) Locateshow hotel  2) Locateshow 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  5) Make a budget	1) Update presentation for the Board  2) Finalize hotel/show hall contracts  3) Select a Show Committee  4) Contact a cage service  5) Supply the EO a contact name and number for the hotel	1) Contract judges  2) Select Entry Clerk  3) Contract a Master Clerk and Assistant  4) Prepare flyers and distribute, including the TICA EO and Regional Directors  5) Apply for Show License  6) Contact clubs for ring sponsorships  7) Contact vendors  8) Arrange for professional photographer to attend banquet and show  9) Publish website	1) Select menu items for the banquet and pricing  2) Order rosettes  3) Contact local tv, radio and newspapers for coverage  4) Arrange for 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	1) Put out posters and banners  2) Secure show supplies (litter, paper towels, etc.)  3) Confirm that all judges have airline reservations	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 entries 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 ground transportation to/from the hotel.

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 Contact details of the ground transportation regarding any need for advance reservations for pickup.

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 General area directions should be available for people driving (both city and highway maps).

903.1.2.6.1 Maps containing directions for city and highway driving should be available either on-line or at the show hotel.

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 the 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.

903.1.3.9 Complimentary Wi-Fi is highly desirable.

903.1.4 Meeting Room(s).

- 903.1.4.1 Must be in the show hotel, available Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.
- 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 to 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 Audio visual equipment.
- 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 Wi-Fi available (preferably at no extra cost).

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 up to 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 Cash bar from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- 903.1.6.7 Banquet must be sit-down dinner (not a buffet).
- 903.1.6.7.1 Dinner must start no later than 7:30 p.m.
- 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 to 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 to 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 Executive Office).

- 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.
- 903.1.8.3 The following awards are to be presented:
  - Top 25 International Cats of the Year
  - Top 25 International Longhair Cats of the Year (not in Top 25 Cats)
  - Top 25 International Shorthair Cats of the Year (not in Top 25 Cats)
  - Top 25 International Kittens of the Year
  - Top 25 International Alters of the Year
  - Top 25 International Household Pets of the Year
  - Top 25 International Household Pet Kittens of the Year
  - Judges Service Awards, including Judge of the Year
  - Hall of Fame and TICA Treasure
  - Catalog of the Year
  - Junior Exhibitor Recognitions
  - Special Awards, if any.
- 903.1.8.3.1 All the Cats, Kittens and Alters will receive their International Breed Award, if any, along with their IW Award.
- 903.1.8.3.2 Top 25 Cats/Kittens/Alters will have all the corresponding awards listed on the same plaque and rosette, for example:
  - Best Cat
  - BestLonghairCat
  - Best Ragdoll Cat
- 903.1.8.3.3 A breed parade should be presented for Breed Winners that are not IW. This presentation should be shown during or after dinner and before the main ceremony. While the presentation should be prominent, it should not delay the IW awards presentation. The Breed Winner awards should be displayed and available to be picked up.
- 903.1.8.3.3.1 Alternatively, a presentation of all Breed Winners may replace the breed parade, as long as it does not unduly delay the IW awards presentation.
- 903.1.8.3.4 A presentation of candid photos should be shown during the cash bar and/or dinner.
- 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.

903.1.17.4 The costs associated with the Meeting Room (see 901.3.4) are the responsibility of TICA.

903.1.17.5 The costs of audio/lighting requirements (See 903.1.9) are the 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 The strategy for advertising and publicity of the Annual Show is to be defined by the hosting Club. However, the Show Committee is encouraged to seek advice and feedback from the last two or three Annual Show Committees on what worked well.

### 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 their 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.

903.2.1.6 Complimentary Wi-Fi is highly desirable.

#### 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 9 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Starting on time is important if show is to close on time.

903.2.2.1.2 Show should be completed by 5 p.m. 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 per day, limited to two sessions during the weekend.

903.2.3.2.4 All-day sessions are permitted at the discretion of the show management.

903.2.3.2.5 Solo sessions are not permitted.

903.2.3.2.6 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.

903.2.4 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 name 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: 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 register red 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 license 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 (i.e. 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.

## Honors

### 904 Honors.

## Protocols

### 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 eyewitness 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 their representative is asked to appear. The Defendant is furnished with all the evidence against them. 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 they 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.

## **Samples**

906 **Samples.**

## **Titles**

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.

907.2.1 BW. Beginning the show year 2018-2019, International Breed Winner (BW) 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 Any cat, kitten or alter that has achieved the official status of International Breed Winner, shall be entitled to apply for the prefix International Breed Winner (BW) to be added to its official registered title, retroactively, provided that proof of the win can be provided. Proof of the win may be evidenced by a copy of the official TICA standings for breed for the particular show season, a best of breed certificate, or photocopies of win acknowledgment from the TICA Yearbook or TICA Trend. 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.

907.2.3 An International Win (IW) title will take precedence over a Regional Win (RW) 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.

## Miscellaneous

### 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](http://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
  - 908.5.6 Standards
- 908.6 Available on Request from the Clerking Administrator.
  - 908.6.1 Clerking Manual
- 908.7 Available on Request from the Judging Administrator.
  - 908.7.1 Judging Program.

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## **Winter Board Meeting – January 15-17, 2026**

106.4.1.1 Amend Standing Rule (Rules Committee) Amended

## **Spring Meeting – May16-18, 2025**

1014.3.2 Add Standing Rule (Write-in eligibility) Added

308.2 Add Standing Rule (Cattery Name Requirement) Added

## **Effective May 1st 2025**

1012.1 Amend Standing Rules (Regional List) Amended

1012.3.1 Amend Standing Rules (Isolated Area List) Amended

701.4 Accepted Highlander breed advancement from ANB to CH Amended

701.4 Accepted advancement of RD New Trait (Cherubim) to CH Amended

## **Winter Board Meeting – January 23-26, 2025**

1015.3.1 Add Standing Rule 1015.3.1 (Signatures) Added

## **Fall Ballot 2024**

Proposal 5 Amend Show Rule 26.1 and Standing Rule 209.1.1.6.1  
(Caging) Amended

Proposal 10 Amend Show Rule 217.8 and Standing Rule 209.1.1.4.2  
(Exhibitor List distribution) Amended

## **Annual Board Meeting – August 27-30, 2024**

107.4 Add Standing Rule 107.4 (Breed Committee Duties) Added

## **Spring Board Meeting – May 17-19, 2024**

1022.2.1.1 Amend Standing Rule 1022.2.1.1 (complaint fees from the  
Judging Committee). Amended

901.4.3.2 Suspend Standing Rule 901.4.3.2 (eligibility for Regional  
Awards) for the 2024/2025 show season. Amended

BB22-08 103.3.1 change the junior member dues Amended

## **Effective May 1st 2024**

2014.1.1 Judging Fees and Expenses Amended

701.4.1 Advanced TR from ANB to Championship Amended

1012.1 Move Lebanon and Jordan from Southern Europe Region  
to International Region Amended

1012.3.1 Removed Denmark from Isolated Area List to Non-Isolated  
status Deleted

701.4.4 Return the Aphrodite to REO in accordance with  
Registration Rules 33.6.3.1. Amended

## **Winter Board Meeting – January 18-20, 2024**

209.1.1.6.1 Various Standing Rules (Remove “For Sale” references)  
209.1.1.6.1, 2011.3, 903.3.5.10 Amended

101.3.2 (Voting Procedures) 101.3.2-1013.5 Amended

303.3.2.1 (Poll Fees) 303.3.2.1, 303.3.3.7, 303.9.2.6.1, 1018.2.2 Added

1018.3 Re-numbered 1018.3 as 1018.2.3 and position it after the  
new 1018.2.2. Corrected

701.4.5 (Experimental Breeds) Deleted

303.9 NewTrait: corrected typo 303.98 to 303.9 Corrected

## **Fall Ballot 2023**

202.2.2	Delete clause as it no longer pertains to the Rules	Deleted
209.3.4	Delete entirety as it no longer applicable to judging Under isolated status	Deleted

### **Annual Board Meeting – August 29-September 1, 2023**

105.2.2 &	Amend Standing Rule 105.2.2 (Breed Committee filing fees and 1014.2 (candidate fees).	Amended
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### **Miscellaneous – 2023**

701.4.5	Added Experimental Abycoon Longhair and Abycoon Shorthair to Experimental Breed	Added
207.1.1 & 207.1.2	Correction from 2018 membership ballot	Corrected
701.4.1	Replace Bengal date of '1986' with '1991'	Corrected
1012.1	Inserted Armenia into ES regional list (per Motion 48) In 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes.	Added
	Inserted Herzegovina into ES regional list	Added
109.1.1	Reinsert Europe North into the Annual Rotation from action taken at the Spring 2021 Board Meeting	Amended
Pg. 50	Scottish Breed Group – change to All Categories, All Divisions. All Colors.	Corrected
207.1.1.1,	Corrected wording per 2018 membership ballot	Corrected
207.1.1.2	(corrected in Show Rules, but not in Standing Rules)	207.1.1.2

### **Spring Board Meeting – May 18-20, 2023**

106.4.1.7	Mentorship Committee	Added
2014.1.1	Judging Fees and Expenses	Amended
1026	Bad debt processes	Added/Amended
1012.1	Regional List - Montenegro, Portugal, Alberta, CA	Corrected
1012.3.1	Isolated Areas - Herzegovina	Corrected
307.1, 307.2 & 307.5	BU/BO permissible outcrosses	Amended

### **Special Board Meeting – April 25, 2023**

1012.2	Regional List - Corrected Canada abbreviation	Amended
1012.3.1	Isolated Area List – Added Andorra, Spain, Manitoba, Nunavut, Alberta, Northwest Territory, Saskatchewan, Yukon Territory	Added
901.4.3.2	Suspend rule requiring one show in region to count for regional awards (added 2023/2024)	Amended

### **Winter Board Meeting – January 18-20, 2023**

106.4.1	Advisory Standing Committees	Amended
106.4.1.6	Add Standards Committee	Added
1012.1	Move Palestine, Syria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates from Europe South to International Region	Amended
1012.2	Additional Regions	Amended

### **2022 Fall Ballot**

1026	Bad Debts (addition of Responsible Party, etc. in In conjunction with Proposal 4 – Amend Show Rule 24.3 and 24.4	Amended
303.10.3.5	Transfer New Breed fee from Registration Rules to Standing Rules	Added

### **Annual Board Meeting – August 31-September 2, 2022**

103.3.1.1; 2017.1; 601.2.16; 903.2.1.4; 905.3.2	Gender Neutrality Verbiage	Amended
901.4.3.2	Shown in Region	Amended
1021.3	Chartering New Clubs	Added

### **2022 Miscellaneous**

901.4.3.4	Regional Awards (action taken back in 2006 was never incorporated into the Standing Rules).	Corrected
1017.1.2	Changed “application” to “applicable”	Corrected

### **2022 Board Ballots**

BB22-05	209.3.4 - Authorization to contract judges under “Isolated areas”	Amended
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### **Spring Board Meeting – May 20-22, 2022**

106.4.1.2	Rewrite of Genetics Committee duties	Amended
106.4.1.2.1- 106.4.1.2.6	Added duties to Genetics Committee	Added

### **Special Board Meeting – April 21, 2022**

202.2.2	Automatic approval of Alternative Format Shows	Amended
203.1.1.2	Eligibility for Entry (for 2022-2023 only)	Suspended
207.1.1	Extension of limited application of isolated status rules	Amended
601.2.19	Scoring	Amended
901.4.3.2	Eligibility for Regional Awards	Amended

### **Winter (Jan) 2022 Board Meeting**

103.3.1	Unify Membership Fees	Amended
106.4	Added NDA Agreement for Standing Committees	Added
106.4.1	Advisory Standing Committees	Added
701.4.3	Changed TR/TRL from PNB to ANB	Change

### **2021 Fall Ballots**

Proposal 4	Amend Reg Rule 33.3.1 (Genetics Review of new experi- mental Breeds) – Change numbering of 303.3.1.4 to 303.3.1.5	Amended
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Proposal 9	Amend Reg Rule 36.6.1 and 37.2.1 (Outcrosses within Category I) – Result: removed Standing Rule 307.6.4.1 And 307.6.3	Deleted
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### **December 20, 2021**

106.4.2.1.3.1	Correct “Every 4 hours” to “every 4 years”	Correction
106.4.2.1.6	Correct “This” to “those”	Correction

### **Annual (Sep) 2021 Board Meeting**

106.2.1	Judging Committee	Amended
106.4.2	Judging Committee	Amended
109.2	Board Meetings	Amended
901.4.2.1	LA Awards	Amended
901.4.3.2	LA Awards	Amended
901.4.3.5	LA Awards	Amended
1012.1	Regional List – Add Armenia to Southern Europe (ES)	Amended
1017.1.2	UCD Changes	Amended
1022.2	Complaint Filing	Amended
1022.2.1.4	Complaint Filing Fees	Amended
1022.5	Hearings	Amended
2012	Prizes and Trophies, Ribbons and Finals Awards	Amended

### **May 2021 Board Meeting**

106.4.2.1.10	Selection of Judging Administrator and Deputy Judging Administrator	Amended
109.1.1	Annual Convention (suspended for 2021/2022)	Suspended
TICA Annual Show/Awards Banquet Guidelines (suspended for 2021/2022)		Suspended

### **Miscellaneous**

907.2.1	Editorial change (removed “and Regional Winner (RW)	Amended
907.2.23	Changed to 907.2.3	Amended
1012.1	Regional List (changed “Cypress” to “Cyprus)	Corrected

### **2021 Board Ballots**

BB21-04	Extend suspension of Standing Rules 901.4.3.2 and 901.4.3.4 related to eligibility regional awards.	Amended
BB21-05	Extension of limited application of isolated status (Standing Rule 207.1.1)	Amended
BB21-11	Eligibility for Regional and International Awards (Standing Rules 901.4.3.4 and 901.4.3.5)	Amended

### **March 2021 Special Meeting**

309.9.2.1	Pedigrees from Other Registries	Added
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### **Winter 2021**

106.4.1.2	Proposals to amend Show & Registration Rules by Genetics Committee	Amended
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209.1.1.4	Add clerking administrator to receive marked catalog	Amended
1012.1	Move North Korea to Int'l Region & Saskatchewan to NW	Amended
1017.1	Proposals to amend Show & Registrations Rules by Genetics Committee	Amended
1017.2	Proposals to amend Show & Registrations Rules by Genetics Committee	Amended

### **2020 Fall Ballots**

Proposal 1	Amend By-Law 112.2, Standing Rules 102.1.5 and 1012.1	Amended
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### **Annual 2020**

202.2.2	RD Advance Permission-Alternative Format Shows	Added
202.4.1	Club Responsibilities-Show License	Added
202.4.2.1	Show supplies	Amended
202.4.3	Show License Fees	Amended
202.5.1	Annual Awards Fees	Amended
207.1.1	Requirements for Titles	Amended
209.1.1.4	Marked Catalogs	Amended
209.3.4	Contract Judges Under "Isolated Area" Status	Added
307.6.3	Effective date changed to December 31, 2021	Amended
601.2.8	Military duty and region	Added
701.4.3	Breed Abbreviations-Tennessee Rex	Amended
701.4.4	Breed Abbreviations-Asian Longhair/Shorthair	Amended
701.4.5	Breed Abbreviations-Experimental American Shorthair	Added
	Experimental Hungarian	Added
	Experimental Magnifelis	Added
903.1	Annual Show/Award Banquet Guidelines - sponsors	Added
1022.5.1	Define "present, in person"	Added
1022.5.2	Conducting the hearing	Added

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