The International Cat Association
TICA Junior Exhibitor Program:
Junior Intermediate Level of Achievement

Instructions:
1. **Download** the form.
2. **Open** the form in Adobe Acrobat Reader.
3. **Fill out** the pdf fields.
4. When printing select 'Fit' to suit your paper size.

Date:

Junior Exhibitor Information

First Name: Last Name:

Region: Age:

Requirements

Junior Exhibitors must meet the following requirements to advance to the Junior Advanced Level:

☐ Renew TICA Junior Membership, if expired.

☐ Have a Mentor:

Mentors Name:

Mentors email:

Mentors phone:

Mentor's signature:

☐ Show in at least 4 TICA shows after earning your Junior Novice level. Please list the following information on the shows attended. Use back of form to add more if necessary.

Show Name	Date	Entry Number

☐ Participate in a fund raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate a service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club after earning your Junior Novice level.

Show name:

Date:

Service donated:

(Requirements cont.)

☐ Participate in at least 2 Junior Exhibitor Rings after earning your Junior Novice level. Use back of form to add more if necessary.

Show Name	Date	Entry Number

☐ Attend at least one school, seminar or workshop after earning your Junior Novice level.
Show name: Date:

School/Seminar/Workshop attended:

Signature of Instructor/Witness:

☐ Steward in at least 1 show after earning your Junior Novice level (does not need to be an entire show/day).
Show name: Date:

Signature of Clerk/Judge:

☐ Complete the personal project.
Mentor's signature of receipt of report:

☐ Obtain & read a copy of the TICA Show Policy and retain in Personal Notebook.

☐ Meet your Regional Director (you only have to introduce yourself if there is a new RD).
Regional Director's name:

Date of meeting:

☐ Review Study Questions for Junior Intermediate level.

☐ Complete open book test.
Mentor's signature of receipt of test:

I have completed all the requirements listed above:

Print Name:

Signature:

Date:

Mentor's Signature:

Regional Liaison Signature for advancement to Junior Advanced Level:

Personal Project: Display Project

Please submit to your mentor and display at a show a poster project that uses a photo of a cat (your cat if possible) and label the following on the photo:

shoulder blades	thigh	head	neck	tail
chin	forehead/brow	ears	paws	ribs
trunk or torso	front feet	nose	eyes	limbs
flank	back feet	whisker pads	back	abdomen

Junior Intermediate Level Questions

Do not forget that the questions are comprehensive from the previous levels. You are responsible for the information learned on the previous levels.

Basic Husbandry

Describe how you bathe and groom your cat? How do you dry your cat?
Is there a difference in types of cat food?
What are the differences between "premium cat foods" and "cheap store brands"?
What is declawing?
What does the term "spay" mean?
What does the term "neuter" mean?
What does the term "whole cat" mean?
Why do we alter?
Should "pet quality" kittens be altered? Why?

Basic Information on Feline Structure

Be able to identify the following on a cat:

shoulder blades	thigh	head	neck	tail
chin	forehead/brow	ears	paws	ribs
trunk or torso	front feet	nose	eyes	limbs
flank	back feet	whisker pads	back	abdomen

Basic Showing Questions

Do you train your cat to be a show cat? How?
What is the age for the kitten class?
When does a kitten become an adult in a show class?
What is a final?
At what age can a kitten be brought (not shown) to a TICA show? Is there a class for pregnant cats?
What ring should you go to first if a final ring is called and a judging ring is called at the same time?

Basic TICA Information

What is the TICA website address?
What is a TICA Junior Member?
What rights and privileges does a TICA Junior Member have?

Basic Show Etiquette

Is good sportsmanship only about winning?
Why should you go promptly to a ring when your number is called?
What should you do if you have an emergency that delays you taking your cat to a ring when called?
Is there an acceptable excuse for making derogatory (negative) comments about an exhibitor's cat at ringside?
What is the correct way to communicate something to a judge at ringside?
If you know a cat is present, and you know where they are benched and they are late for their ring call what should you do?
Should you visit with the judge during a show?
Why should you keep your litter box clean at the show hall?
What should you do if your cat soils the show cage?

Open Book Test

1) What does alter mean?
- [ ] a) Cat that is medicated and acting sluggish or different
- [ ] b) To change the judging schedule
- [ ] c) A male or female cat that has had surgery and can no longer reproduce
- [ ] d) Term the master clerk uses to note a change in the report

2) The term "polydactyl" is used when referring to
- [ ] a) a cat's nose
- [ ] b) ear type
- [ ] c) having many colors
- [ ] d) having more toes than usual

3) A steward is responsible for calling the cats to the judging ring.
- [ ] a) True
- [ ] b) False

4) A kitten can be shown from the age of 3 months to 8 months?
- [ ] a) True
- [ ] b) False

5) Pregnant females can be shown until they are 1 month in gestation?
- [ ] a) Yes
- [ ] b) No

6) TICA Junior Members have all the privileges of a regular member except for voting and holding offices?
- [ ] a) Yes
- [ ] b) No

7) Should you carry on a loud conversation in the judging ring?
- [ ] a) Yes
- [ ] b) No

8) Is it important to go to the ring promptly when called?
- [ ] a) Yes, it keeps the show running smoothly and timely
- [ ] b) No, it is good to be late and let everyone see who owns the cat

9) If you needed to let the Judge know something important about your cat such as it had been frightened and to be extra gentle you should:

- ☐ a) discreetly tell the judge between judging cats
- ☐ b) tell the judge between classes
- ☐ c) relay the information to the clerk and she will communicate your concerns to the judge
- ☐ d) write a note to the judge

10) Should you ever give unsolicited critiques to someone about their cat?

- ☐ a) Yes, it is good to educate others
- ☐ b) No, it is not good sportsmanship to criticize other cats

11) If someone you know is on a final call in your ring, you should:

- ☐ a) try to find them and let them know
- ☐ b) continue sitting at the ring and let them miss their call