



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SHOW MANAGERS NOTICES March 2008 2008/2009 **Show season**

Part 1: Notices & Reminders - No Updates

Part 2: Amendments to GCCF Rules:

Section 3 Rules 14, 15 and Section 4 Rules 4a-4h, 5, 7a-7d

Cats will be rejected under Section A ... (no change)

Cats will be rejected under Section B for ear mite infestation and/or dirty/waxy ears indicative of possible ear mite infestation. In-contact cats will be examined using an auriscope and may be admitted to the show if their ears are clean. The exhibitor will be issued with a rejection form and **a special** clearance form which details the tests that must be carried out **WITHIN SEVEN DAYS AFTER THE SHOW (on the rejected cat(s) only at this stage) before the Clearance Certificate can be completed and sent, together with the rejection form, to the GCCF Office.**

Cats will be rejected under Section C ... (no change)

Cats will be rejected under Section D.... (no change)

Any exhibit whose cat is rejected under Section B, C or D(to end of section – no change)

Part 3: Amendment to GCCF Veterinary Rejection Form-

B. Reason for rejection: EAR MITE INFESTATION AND/OR DIRTY/WAXY EARS INDICATIVE OF POSSIBLE EAR MITE INFESTATION.

All exhibits at the show belonging to this exhibitor must be examined using an auriscope, those cats which in the opinion of the examining veterinary surgeon, show no sign of ear mites or dirty ears may be admitted to the show.

The exhibitor must obtain a clearance certificate **signed by a veterinary surgeon. The certificate must state that the exhibit(s) showing signs of ear mites and/or dirty ears was/were EXAMINED WITHIN 7 DAYS OF REJECTION with an auriscope and if necessary with microscopic examination of wax/debris from affected ears and that this examination revealed no evidence of ear mite infestation. No cat may be exhibited by this exhibitor until this clearance certificate has been received and acknowledged.**

If EAR MITE INFESTATION IS CONFIRMED- the exhibitor must obtain a clearance certificate DATED NOT LESS THAN 7 DAYS AFTER REJECTION. This must be signed by a veterinary surgeon and state that all cats belonging to this exhibitor and/or living at the same address have been examined and that in his opinion, on that date none showed evidence of ear mite infestation. No cat may be exhibited by this exhibitor until that clearance certificate has been received and acknowledged. No Certificate dated within 7 days will be accepted.

Please note for reference: A Section B Clearance form similar to the Section D Clearance form will be provided with the Veterinary Rejection Pad.

Part 4: Checking Vaccination Certificates –

It is permissible (especially if the number of vets/exhibits is low) for a suitably trained person e.g. a veterinary nurse to check vaccination certificates provided all queries relating to validity of certificates are referred to the duty veterinary surgeon. It is the responsibility of the show manager to ensure that any person checking certificates is suitably trained and is doing so with the agreement of the duty veterinary surgeon.