

AMENDMENTS TO GCCF RULES From 1 November 2006

“no change” indicates that the wording of the rule remains unchanged.

“no content change” indicates that changes are restricted to amended cross-references

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Evasion or breach of any of GCCF Rules or of the articles of its Constitution may, and often will, lead to disciplinary action and you are advised to familiarise yourself with all sections of the Rules and with the Constitution. These are obtainable from the GCCF Office.

Except where the context demands otherwise, the word “cat” in these rules includes kittens and neuters. A kitten is defined as a young cat under nine calendar months of age. Thus a kitten born on 12th January becomes a cat (adult) on the following 12th October.

SECTION 1 THE REGISTER

1 – 34g – no change

Provisional Recognition of New Colours and Patterns of existing Breeds

34h A list of Miscellaneous or Club class results for a selection of cats of the relevant colour and/or pattern, including the show, class title, judge, place and number in class, as evidence of success in competition.

Championship Status for New Colours and Patterns of Existing Breeds

34i – 36g – no change

36h A list of Miscellaneous or Club class results for a selection of cats of the relevant colour and/or pattern, including the show, class title, judge, place and number in class, as evidence of success in competition.

37 – 48i – no change

Provisional Recognition of cats of New Breed or Hair type

48j A list of Miscellaneous or Club class results for a selection of cats of the breed, including the show, class title, judge, place and number in class, as evidence of success in competition.

49 – 50g – no change

Championship Status for cats of New Breed or Hair Type

50h A list of Miscellaneous or Club class results for a selection of cats of the breed, including the show, class title, judge, place and number in class, as evidence of success in competition.

51 – no change

SECTION 2 SHOW MANAGEMENT

1 – 17b – no change

17c Cats to be considered for Best of Breed shall be the winners of the Open classes for that breed; **{and}** cats of that breed that are entered in the Imperial Grand Champion/Grand Champion/Imperial Grand Premier/Grand Premier classes and not in the Open class **and cats of Provisional status breeds not competing for Intermediate Certificate(s)**, with the exception of cats withdrawn, by their exhibitor(s), from such consideration.

17d – 20g – no change

21 Clubs holding shows under licence from the GCCF shall, within three months, submit a list of judges whose reports failed to appear in **the GCCF official journal** (see Section 3, rule 4d)

22 No change

SECTION 3 JUDGES AND STEWARDS

1 – 4b no change

4c Acceptance of an engagement by a judge places that judge under an obligation to both the show management and prospective exhibitors to attend and officiate at the show in question and to send within the specified time a report to **the GCCF official journal**.

Note: Assessment classes are considered to be Open classes with judges' reports being sent to **the GCCF official journal**.

4d Clubs holding shows under licence from the GCCF shall, within three months, submit a list of judges whose reports failed to appear in **the GCCF official journal**. (See Section 2, Rule 21).

4e – 8b – no change

8c Cats to be considered for Best of Breed shall be the winners of the Open classes for that breed; **{and}** cats of that breed that are entered in the Imperial Grand Champion/Grand Champion/Imperial Grand Premier/Grand Premier classes and not in the Open class **and cats of Provisional status breeds not competing for Intermediate Certificate(s)**, with the exception of cats withdrawn, by their exhibitor(s), from such consideration.

8d – 15 – no change

SECTION 4 EXHIBITS AND EXHIBITORS

1 – 25 – no change

26 Exhibitors are reminded that the decisions of the judges are final. Any attempt to influence such decisions, **or to identify a cat or ownership of a cat to a judge at a**

show before that judges engagement has been completed, may render the offender liable to disciplinary action.

27 – 29 – no change

NOTES ON REJECTION AT SHOWS (see 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 or for dirty or 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.**

{DELETE: All cats owned by the exhibitor and/or living at the same address must be examined by a veterinary surgeon NOT LESS THAN SEVEN DAYS after the show} and certified free from ear mites, using the clearance form which together with the rejection form, must then be sent to the GCCF Office.}

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

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

Any exhibitor whose cat is rejected under Sections B, C or D ... *(to end of section - no change)*

SECTION 5 VETERINARY SURGEONS

1 – 11 – no change

SECTION 6 MISCELLANEOUS RULES

1 – 2 – no change