REGISTRATION POLICY FOR THE ASIAN GROUP

DEFINITION OF BREEDS PERMITTED IN THE PEDIGREES OF ASIAN SHORTHAIRS AND ASIAN SEMI-LONGHAIRS

A. ASIAN SHORTHAIRS:

Asian Selfs and Torties: Asian (Burmese type) cats showing the full expression of the following 17 recognised colours – Black, Blue, Chocolate, Lilac, Red, Cream, Caramel, Cinnamon, Fawn, Apricot, Black Tortie, Blue Tortie, Chocolate Tortie, Lilac Tortie, Caramel Tortie, Cinnamon Tortie, Fawn Tortie.

Asian Smokes in all 17 colours both in Burmese colour restriction and full expression.

Asian Tabbies, both Standard and Silver, in all 17 colours both in Burmese colour restriction and full expression; the tabby pattern may be spotted, mackerel, classic or ticked.

Asian Shaded (Burmillas”) both Standard and Silver, in all 17 colours both in Burmese colour restriction and full expression.

Asian Variants: Self and Tortie cats of all 17 Burmese restriction colours resulting from matings where one or both parents are Asian Shorthairs or where one parent is an Asian Semi-Longhair are registered on the Reference Register or Supplementary Register after (insert date of show permission) and are accepted in the pedigrees of Asian Shorthairs and Asian Semi-Longhairs

B. ASIAN SEMI-LONGHAIRS:

Cats of Burmese type with a semi-longhair coat (“Tiffanies”) in all of the above Burmese and Asian colours and patterns.

C. BURMESE:

Burmese on the Full Register (those with GEMS code BUR/breed number 27)

The list of outcross breeds permitted in the pedigrees of Asian varieties is given below along with any relevant DNA testing required* (*see note below)

Korat or Tai Lilac (tested clear of carrying the Himalayan gene)
Abyssinian
Tonkinese with Burmese Colour Restriction
Egyptian Mau
Ocicat and Ocicat Classic
Australian Mist
Somali (either LH or SH)

The first cross is an Asian to an approved outcross breed (as above), each of the progeny will be registered as a Cat of Asian Type with the appropriate colour, pattern and hair length description.

This next generation to be mated to cats in categories A, B and C above or to another First generation Cat of Asian Type to produce the second generation to be registered as a Cat of Asian Type. The next two generations to be mated only to cats in categories A, B and C above to eventually produce the fourth generation which will be registered as an Asian.

- 4th Generation – Asian Self/Tortie, Asian Smoke, Asian Shaded, Asian Tabby, or Tiffanie (Supplementary Register)
- 3rd Generation mated to Asian or Burmese
3rd Generation = Shorthair or Semi-Longhair Self/Tortie, Smoke, Shaded or Tabby of Asian Type (Reference Register)

2nd Generation mated to Asian or Burmese

2nd Generation = Shorthair or Semi-Longhair Self/Tortie, Smoke, Shaded or Tabby of Asian Type. (Reference Register)

1st Generation mated to Asian, Burmese or 1st Generation Cat of Asian Type

1st Generation = Shorthair or Semi-Longhair Self/Tortie, Smoke, Shaded or Tabby of Asian Type (Reference Register)

Permitted outcross breed mated to an Asian

REGISTRATION POLICY

1. FULL REGISTER

Asian Shorthairs and Asian Semi-Longhair cats as listed in A and B above with Full recognition, which have in their pedigrees within three generations only Asian Shorthairs; Asian Semi-Longhairs and Burmese as listed in A, B and C above, shall be registered on the Full Register, with the exception of those cats whose pedigree includes within three generations a cat registered on the Reference Register. (Three generations always means Parents, Grandparents and Great-grandparents and does NOT include the cat itself).

2. SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTER

Asian Shorthairs and Asian Semi-Longhair cats with two parents registered as A, B or C, but where either or both parents have within three generations a cat registered on the Reference Register or one parent is a cat of Asian type with third generation Reference Registration.

3. REFERENCE REGISTER

Asian Variants

All Shorthair Self or Tortie cats of Burmese colour restriction resulting from matings where one or both parents are Asian Shorthairs or where one parent is an Asian Semi-Longhair, which have in their pedigrees within three generations only cats in A, B or C must be registered on the Reference Register as Asian Variants.

Cats of Asian Type

Cats of Asian Shorthair, Asian Semi-Longhair, Burmese appearance which have in their pedigrees within three generations an approved outcross (as listed at C) shall be registered on the Reference Register as a cat of Asian type.

Cats with any other registered breed, or any unregistered cat, within three generations (other than those listed at C), shall be placed on the Reference Register as XSH or XLH without progression.

OVERSTAMPING: All Asian Shorthairs, Asian Variants or cats of Asian type descended from matings with Asian Semi-Longhair, or permitted Semi-Longhair outcross breeds shall be over-stamped “may carry longhair” until proved otherwise by genetic testing.

NOTE: All Red, Cream or Apricot Asians or cats of Asian type (as defined above) with one or more Tabby or Shaded parent(s) must be registered as Red, Cream or Apricot Tabbies or Shaded until
proved otherwise. Cats may not be registered as Selfs or Smokes until test mating have proved them to be free of the agouti gene or they have been DNA tested and proved to be non-agouti (proof to be supplied with registration documentation). *

No cat may be registered as a Tabby or Shaded unless it has an agouti parent.

In the case of cats imported into the GCCF register, no cat with a Tabby or Shaded within five generations may be registered as a Red, Cream or Apricot Self or Smoke unless either:

a. the cat has been DNA tested and proved to be non-agouti or
b. there is a non-red, non-agouti cat breaking the line descending from the Tabby/Shaded, or

c. Red, Cream or Apricot cat in the line descended from the Tabby/Shaded has been proved by test matings to be non-agouti.

* Breeders who wish to prove their cats clear of carrying hereditary disease, or recessive colour/pattern genes, must have cats that are uniquely identifiable at the time of testing by microchip or tattoo; the number of which is noted on the cat’s own veterinary records. This number must be submitted to the laboratory performing the test, and to GCCF when requesting registration for an import, register transfer or removal of overstamping.

**HPOKALAEMIC POLYMYOPATHY TESTING SCHEME**

**ACTIVE REGISTER**

The Asian BAC strongly recommends that all Asian Shorthairs and Tiffanies to be used for breeding are genetically tested for Hypokalaemic Polymyopathy (HK). A kitten need not be tested if both parents have tested clear of HK.

**NB. From 1/1/2018 the following Hypokalaemic Polymyopathy Testing Scheme comes into effect:**

**HYPOKALAEMIC POLYMYOPATHY TESTING SCHEME**

**A. ACTIVE REGISTER**

Asian cats may be registered on the active register, at the breeder’s request, only if:

1. They have themselves been tested normal for HK. Veterinary Certification of test results is required*.

2. Both parents have been tested normal as in A1

3. They are from parents deemed normal because of the result,s from the testing, as A1, of cats on every pedigree line in previous generations. Pedigree line in this case refers to both parents or 4 grandparents, 8 great grandparents, 16 great-great-grandparents and so on, or any combination of the same which is inclusive of both the sire’s and dam’s ancestors.

Note: 3. applies when the ancestors are recorded on the GCCF computer. Imports onto the register must comply with either 1 or 2. The submission of the test certificate(s) is required with the registration application or the import will be registered on the non-active register.

**B. ACTIVE REGISTER PLUS GENETIC REGISTER**

1. Asian cats which have been genetically tested as carriers of HK shall be registered on the Active Register and the Genetic Register, or on the Non-Active Register if so requested by the breeder. Cats of carrier status may only be mated to cats that are proven to be clear of HK (ie. comply with A1 or A2 above).
2. Offspring of cats registered on the Active Register and the Genetic Register may only be registered on the Active Register (without the Genetic Register) if they have themselves have been genetically tested as normal for HK*.

All other offspring of cats registered on the Active Register and Genetic Register shall be registered on the Active Register and Genetic Register, or on the Non-Active Register if so requested by the breeder.

Any Asian cat which has inherited two copies of the HK recessive gene (ie. is suffering from Hypokalaemia Polymyopathy) must not be bred from.