



# Rules & Regulations – Pedigree Cats Tasmania Inc.

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*Pedigree Cats Tasmania Inc. (P.C.T.) is a member body of the Co-ordinating Cat Council of Australia (CCCA).*

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## RULES & REGULATIONS

### 1. Affiliation

1.1. Any Club, Association, Agricultural Society or other body, bona-fide established for the purpose of breeding or exhibiting cats or conducting shows of cats, may apply for Affiliation with the P.C.T. The minimum number of members of a Club requesting affiliation with the P.C.T. will be determined by the Committee from time to time.

1.2. Such application shall be made in writing to the Secretary of the P.C.T. and shall be accompanied by the fee as specified in the Scale of Charges, a copy of the Constitution and Rules of the body, any further particulars requested by the Committee of the P.C.T., and an undertaking that the body and its office bearers will be bound, on affiliation being granted, by the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.

1.3. Such application shall be brought before the Committee of the P.C.T. which may grant or withhold affiliation. If affiliation is not granted, the fee shall be refunded.

1.4. The Committee of the P.C.T. may, at its discretion, cancel or suspend the affiliation of an affiliated body, in which case no refund of affiliation fee shall be made.

1.5. Any suggested alteration to the Constitution and/or Rules of an affiliated body must be submitted to the Committee of the P.C.T. for approval or otherwise.

1.6. Changes in office bearers of an affiliated body must be notified to the Committee of the P.C.T. within fourteen (14) days of such changes.

1.7. All office bearers and Committee members of affiliated clubs must, whilst holding office, be financial members of the P.C.T.

1.8. Each affiliated Club shall appoint an auditor or auditors with accountancy knowledge, and an audited statement of receipts and expenditure and balance sheet shall be submitted at the Annual General Meeting of the Club Members, a statement of receipts and expenditure for the current year shall be forwarded to the P.C.T. within one (1) month of the Annual General Meeting.

1.9. Should an occasion arise when the Rules and/or Regulations of an affiliated body are inconsistent with the Rules and/or Regulations of the P.C.T. on any matter, those of the P.C.T. shall prevail.

### 2. Full Registration

2.1. The Full Register is for the purpose of recording the pedigrees of Fully Registered Cats. Cats must have at least three (3) generations of immediate ancestry of the same BREED TYPE. i.e. pedigrees which extend back for at least four (4) generations of Fully Registered breeding or which fulfil the requirements of the P.C.T. Rules for Experimental Breeding (and these cats having been transferred from the Supplementary Register).

2.2. All pedigrees issued must bear the full breed and colour description (and generation number if available) for each cat entered on the pedigree. Once on Full register, a cat is no longer subject to the checks and examinations of Supplementary Register status, but, in some cases, test matings may be required by the Council before Full Registration is permitted.



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- 2.3. If a new colour/pattern variety is admitted to Full Register, then by default all colour/pattern varieties consequent from matings with existing colour/pattern varieties should also be admissible, but they may be limited for a period to Supplementary Register status on a Provisional Standard if the Council so desires.
- 2.4. In those breeds where a new colour/pattern/coat is regarded as undesirable or as a serious fault, the potential carrier will not be accepted on Full register until that potential has been eliminated to the satisfaction of the council.
- 2.5. Unless the special permission of the Committee of the P.C.T. is obtained, all cats, with the exception of domestic pets, prior to their entry for competition or exhibition only, at a show held under the Rules of the P.C.T., must be registered in the General register of the P.C.T. or a recognised body, provided that litters entered in Litter Classes need only be recorded in the Litter Record conducted by the P.C.T. or a recognised body.
- 2.6. Cats being transferred to the P.C.T. from other than recognised Control Bodies must be cleared by the Committee of the P.C.T.
- 2.7. Cats registered with a recognised Control Body may be registered in the General Register of the P.C.T. provided such application and fee is in accordance with the Rules and Regulations in force at the time.
- 2.8. An "IMPORTED CAT" is one that has been imported into Australia from New Zealand or abroad. Kittens born on board the vessel of transport shall be deemed to be imported.
- 2.9. Applications for the registration of cats shall be accepted only for breeds recognised by the Committee of the P.C.T.
- 2.10. A cat may not be registered as of a breed different from that stated on the litter notification form without the permission of the Committee of the P.C.T., excepting that in the event of a cat being outclassed and reclassified at a recognised exhibition, the owner may apply to have the cat re-registered in accordance with such Rules as are in force at the time.
- 2.11. Applications for registration and entry into the General Register and the Litter Record, or for transfer or lease of a cat, shall only be accepted if the applications conform to the following conditions:
- a) They must be made on the prescribed forms supplied for that purpose by the C.C.C;
  - b) Forms must be completed in full in ink and signed by all appropriate parties concerned with the transaction; and
  - c) Forms must be accompanied by the fees set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges, and must be lodged with the Registrar of the P.C.T.
- 2.12. Before any doubtful registration is refused, it shall be referred by the Registrar to the Committee of the P.C.T. for confirmation.
- 2.13. Unpedigreed cats shall not be registered under a prefix unless they are in the Experimental Register,
- 2.14. Names of cats submitted for registration shall not exceed twenty-five (25) letters, spaces, hyphens, or apostrophes, including the breeder's registered stud prefix, which must be used (subject to Rule 2.15), but excluding any recognised titles. Existing names will be recognised subject to the Committee's approval.
- 2.15. No word that is in the nature of a prefix, and no stud name except the breeder's registered stud prefix, may be used, provided that in the case of cats registered in other states or countries it shall be at the discretion of the Committee of the P.C.T. as to whether or not the existing registered names may be required to be altered.



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- 2.16. The use of numbers, whether in words or numerals, shall not be permitted in names (subject to Rule 2.15).
- 2.17. The use of names of towns, places, countries, notable persons, common names, or names that are misleading as to sex, origin, or relationship, may be refused.
- 2.18. A name once registered shall only be re-registered at the discretion of the Committee of the P.C.T.
- 2.19. When a name is not acceptable and the owner of the cat omits to choose another name when requested to do so, the Committee of the P.C.T. may rename the cat.
- 2.20. No cat shall be registered unless the litter in which it was born is recorded and the breeder has registered and maintained a stud prefix under Rules 6.1 and 6.2.
- 2.21. Applications for the registration of imported cats brought into the State of Tasmania from other States or Overseas must be supported by the production of Export/Certified Pedigrees or other Certificates and/or such other evidence of identity as the Committee of the P.C.T. may require and shall include as an affix to its name the initials of the State where it was bred. In the case of overseas imports, the affix should read (Imp --  
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- 2.22. Where the Committee of the P.C.T. intends to refuse any application for entry in its records, cancel any entry, or strike from its records any entry already effected, it shall notify the owner/lessee of the intended action and request such person to show cause as to why such action should not be taken within such time as specified by the P.C.T. On receipt of a reply the Committee shall take into consideration any information relevant to the matter in question so received.
- 2.23. Notice of any mistake in an application for entry in the records of the P.C.T. must be given in writing to the Registrar of the P.C.T. as soon as possible after it has been discovered, and thereupon the mistake shall be rectified.
- 2.24. Owners of cats registered with the P.C.T. shall notify the Registrar of the death of such cat within one (1) month of such cat's demise. Such notice shall be in writing and signed by the registered owner(s).
- 2.25. When the ownership of a cat has been changed, since the cat was registered or a lease has been arranged, the transfer or lease must be registered on a form supplied by the P.C.T. and in accordance with the conditions thereon and with the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. by the person desiring to exhibit the cat, unless the special permission of the Committee of the P.C.T. is obtained. Such person must pay the transfer or lease fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges.

## 3. Litter Registration

- 3.1. A member must record with the Registrar of the P.C.T. all litters which are eligible for registration for cats registered or leased in the Register of the P.C.T. in his or her name, giving particulars as to the numbers of each sex living at the time of registration, the date of birth, and the registered sire of the litter, such notification to be in such manner and on such form as the Committee of the P.C.T. shall decide. In the case of kittens born of the same parturition but on different dates, the birth date of the whole litter shall be taken as the day on which the first kitten was born.
- 3.2. The "BREEDER" of a cat is:
  - a) is the registered owner of its dam at the time of birth; or
  - b) the person to whom its dam is lent or leased provided that prior to the date of birth he has lodged with the Registrar of the P.C.T., together with the specified fee, a declaration of the lending or



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leasing signed by him and the owner of the cat. A lease may not be recorded for an unregistered cat.

- c) and must have made application for or been approved a P.C.T. breeder prefix as per Rule 6 in the same name(s) as the breeder(s) prior to the date of birth of the litter.

3.3. No litter shall be recorded unless the service declaration on the litter notification for has been completed and signed by the registered owner of the sire. Certified pedigrees are required for all cats whose ancestry is not recorded by the P.C.T.

3.4. It is compulsory for all P.C.T. members to register all litters, including all kittens in each litter. This will allow for all pedigree kittens to be registered, and a certificate of pedigree to be issued to each kitten bred from any breeder.

## 4. Experimental Register

4.1. Separate registers shall be maintained by the P.C.T. for the purpose of recording all experimentally bred and supplementary register stock.

4.2. Experimental animals are those which are produced by intentionally mating pedigreed animals of different breeds or pedigreed and un-pedigreed or partly pedigreed animals with the intention of producing a new breed, colour, or marking.

4.3. All original and succeeding experimentally bred stock must be registered under the "Experimental" heading, clearly stating breed and colour, date of birth, sex, and pedigree (if any) which must be fully colour marked.

4.4. Before any experimental matings are performed, intending experimental breeders are required to notify the Committee of the P.C.T. specifically stating the breed or colour which they hope to produce and the methods they intend to use to develop the particular breed or colour envisaged, and to comply with Regulations introduced from time to time by the Committee of the CCCA Sub-Committee of suitably qualified Senior Judges will be appointed by the P.C.T. to oversee the programme from commencement to completion.

4.5. Upon approval being given to the breeder to proceed with the fully outlined programme, the names, registration numbers, and pedigrees (if available) of the original stock will be recorded.

4.6. Every litter will be notified in the usual way, upon receipt of which the Registrar will forward to the breeder three (3) "Supplementary Register Assessment" forms and one (1) "Supplementary Register Assessment Report" form for each of the living progeny of the litter.

4.7. It is the responsibility of the breeder to ensure that these forms are used by the P.C.T. judges appointed to oversee the programme (and/or one (1) recognised Interstate/Overseas Senior Judge) for assessment of all living progeny of the litter in question. Upon completion, these forms will be forwarded to the Committee of the P.C.T. for approval of registration.

4.8. Litters from the first cross of two different breeds will be known as the Hybrid Generation and will be recorded on the Experimental Register as such with no generation status and will be required to be shown on pedigrees as "HYBRID".

4.9. Litters from one or both Experimental Register parents will be recorded on the Experimental Register with no generation status and will be required to be shown on pedigrees as "EXPERIMENTAL (BREED)".



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- 4.10. Programmes for Manx and Rex will be assessed on an individual basis, and requirements may differ from those outlined above, and these will be advised following application.
- 4.11. Where Supplementary Register cats are mated with those on Full Register, or two Supplementary Register cats are mated together, the offspring will advance by ONE GENERATION more than the lowest numbered Supplementary Register parent.
- 4.12. In certain breeds, dilution of colour may appear in any generation. All colour variants of the same breed in one litter will be registered with the same generation number.
- 4.13. Registration in the Supplementary Register will be grouped according to the breed aimed at, i.e. Longhair, Siamese type etc. The generation number (denoted by S.R.1, S.R.2, etc.) will be included with the registration number and all pedigrees issued must include the S.R. number as well as the Breed/Variety/Colour for each cat stated on the pedigree.
- 4.14. Longhaired kittens born from a shorthair programme or vice versa may be registered as the corresponding long hair, (or short hair), breed providing that the registration number is prefixed with the letters "VAR" to signify a variant.
- 4.15. All Experimental and Sub-Register cats and kittens up to and including third generation must be assessed by a P.C.T. Sub-Committee as of acceptable quality and suitable background, prior to registration being processed and accepted.

## 5. Exhibition of Experimentally Bred or Supplementary Register Cats

- 5.1. Cats and kittens recorded in the Supplementary Register may be entered in open competition at shows if they are, or have been, part of a programme aimed at producing Full Register cats of an established and recognised Breed/Variety.
- 5.2. In adult open classes, such cats will be eligible for Challenge Certificates but the certificates must bear the letters "S.R." before the name of the cat. No indication that the cat is Supplementary Register shall be shown in any judge's books. Application to the P.C.T. for Champion, Grand Champion, Premier Neuter, and Grand Premier Neuter status should be made as for Full register cats, and, on granting of such status, the certificate shall bear the letters "S.R." before the name of the cat.
- 5.3. Cats and kittens on the Experimental Register being experimentally bred to a new breed type may compete against each other in ASSESSMENT CLASSES ONLY. The detailed proposed standard of points should be made available to the judges and written assessments of the cats provided at the show by the judges for the guidance of the exhibitors.
- 5.4. Supplementary Register cats and kittens may compete for the Best in Show Awards.
- 5.5. Cats entered in the Experimental Register may be entered only in Experimental Classes at shows. There shall be a separate class for each type or breed of experimental cat entered. Only cats of the same type or breed may compete against each other.
- 5.6. If a standard exists for the type or breed of experimental cat being exhibited, the regular breed standard shall be used, otherwise judges shall use their discretion.
- 5.7. No Challenge Certificates shall be awarded to cats on the Experimental Register. Also, cats of the following varieties shall not be eligible for Challenge Certificates: Longhair A.O.C., Abyssinian A.O.C., Stumpie Manx, Tailed Manx, Oriental A.O.C., Siamese A.O.C., Any Other Variety Shorthair.



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5.8. Trophies can only be awarded to experimental classes when a minimum of three (3) cats have been entered in the same class.

## 6. Registration of Breeder's Prefix

6.1. On payment of the fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges a Stud Name may be registered by a financial member of the P.C.T. as a prefix. The name shall be limited to one (1) word of not more than twelve (12) letters.

6.2. Persons wishing to maintain prefixes on the Prefix Register of the P.C.T. are required to renew annual membership subscriptions in each financial year and pay the prescribed prefix maintenance fee as determined by the P.C.T. Failure to do so in any twelve (12) months financial period will result in the person's prefix being allowed to lapse. Notwithstanding the above, a person whose prefix has been allowed to lapse may reactivate their prefix on payment of the prescribed fee determined by the Committee of the P.C.T. from time to time.

6.3. As far as practicable the use of any Stud Name registered with any other recognised body of feline affairs shall not be permitted by other than the person to whom such Stud Name has been granted.

## 7. Titles

### 7.1. Champion / Premier Neuter

On application and payment of the fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges and on confirmation by the Committee of the P.C.T. any P.C.T. registered cat / neuter which wins four (4) Challenge Certificates in the Open Class shall be accorded the title of "P.C.T. Champion" / "P.C.T. Premier Neuter" (Challenge in Open Class for each Breed, Colour & Sex - both entire and de-sexed.)

### 7.2. Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter

On application and payment of the fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges and on confirmation by the Committee of the P.C.T. any P.C.T. registered Champion / Premier Neuter which wins four (4) Challenge Certificates in the Open Class shall be accorded the title of "P.C.T. Grand Champion" / "P.C.T. Grand Premier Neuter". (Challenge in Open Class for each Breed, Colour & Sex - both entire and de-sexed.)

### 7.3. Bronze Grand Champion / Bronze Grand Premier Neuter

On application and payment of the fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges and on confirmation by the Committee of the P.C.T. any P.C.T. registered Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter which wins ten (10) Challenge Certificates in the Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter Class shall be accorded the title of "P.C.T. Bronze Grand Champion" / "P.C.T. Bronze Grand Premier Neuter". (Challenge in Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter Class for each Breed & Sex - both entire and de-sexed.)

### 7.4. Silver Grand Champion / Silver Grand Premier Neuter

On application and payment of the fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges and on confirmation by the Committee of the P.C.T. any P.C.T. registered Bronze Grand Champion / Bronze Grand Premier Neuter which wins ten (10) Challenge Certificates in the Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter Class shall be accorded the title of "P.C.T. Silver Grand Champion" / "P.C.T. Silver Grand Premier Neuter". (Challenge in Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter Class for each Breed & Sex - both entire and de-sexed.)

### 7.5. Gold Grand Champion / Gold Grand Premier Neuter



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On application and payment of the fee set out in the Scale of Fees and Charges and on confirmation by the Committee of the P.C.T. any P.C.T. registered Silver Grand Champion / Silver Grand Premier Neuter which wins ten (10) Challenge Certificates in the Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter Class shall be accorded the title of "P.C.T. Gold Grand Champion" / "P.C.T. Gold Grand Premier Neuter". (Challenge in Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter Class for each Breed & Sex - both entire and de-sexed).

7.6. Grand Titled cats are not permitted to enter the Open Class.

## 8. Challenge Certificates

8.1. Challenge Certificates are certificates offered by the P.C.T. at Championship Shows only and awarded at the discretion of the judge. Those eligible shall be exhibits nine (9) months of age or over which have competed in their respective Open Classes. A judge shall not award a Challenge Certificate to any exhibit which he considers lacks sufficient merit to qualify for the title of P.C.T. Champion, P.C.T. Grand Champion, P.C.T. Premier Neuter, or P.C.T. Grand Premier Neuter.

8.2. Challenge Certificates may be awarded only at shows for which the Committee of the P.C.T. has granted the status of "Championship Show". No other Challenge certificates may be offered.

8.3. A maximum of two (2) Challenge Certificates issued by any other recognised Control Body will be accepted towards any one (1) P.C.T. Champion / Premier Neuter or Grand Champion / Grand Premier Neuter title. A maximum of four (4) Challenge Certificates issued by any other recognised Control Body will be accepted towards any one (1) P.C.T. colour title.

8.4. No cat which has been granted one of the foregoing titles by a recognised body shall be granted a title in Tasmania if the registered owner does not ordinarily reside in Tasmania.

8.5. Where two or more exhibitions are conducted on the same day, by any one body, an exhibitor may only claim recognition for one (1) Challenge Certificate for each exhibit gaining any such certificate on the day of the exhibition unless special dispensation has been granted by the P.C.T.

8.6. The owners of cats brought from interstate or imported which have gained a title in the state or country from whence they came may apply to the P.C.T. for recognition of such title. The Committee of the P.C.T. may grant such recognition on proper verification of the applicant's claim to such title.

8.7. No title to a cat's name shall be used unless by permission of the Committee of the P.C.T.

## 9. Cat of The Year

9.1. Provided that pedigreed placegetters are registered with the Cat Control Council of Tasmania, in the name of a current financial member, Cat of the Year points will be awarded to the first five (5) placegetters in each section at the following rates. Best will receive 17 points, Reserve 13 points, Third 9 points, Fourth 5 points and Fifth 3 points.

9.2. Subject to the terms of 9.4, when the annual results are finalised, the owners of the top five exhibits in each section will be awarded a certificate stating the position that their cats attained, and the Breeder of the Cat, Kitten, and Neuter of the Year in each category will be awarded a certificate stating that they bred the Cat of the Year.

9.3. When an un-named kitten wins points towards Kitten of the Year, the owner must apply for registration on the General Register of the P.C.T. within twenty-eight (28) days and must simultaneously advise the Registrar of the points win.



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9.4. No award will be made unless both the registration of the cat and the membership of the owner is continuous from the date of the first COY point awarded until the end of the financial year.

9.5. Notwithstanding, the previous provisions requirements do not apply to Group 4.

## 10. Judges Licences

10.1. Judges granted a licence to judge a breed or breeds by the Committee of the P.C.T. may judge that breed or those breeds at shows conducted under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. or elsewhere.

10.2. Judges are required to notify the Committee of the P.C.T. in writing when an invitation is received to judge at any show other than one which is listed on the official P.C.T. show calendar.

10.3. Applications for a P.C.T. judges licence must be made on such form and in such manner as may be prescribed from time to time by the Committee of the P.C.T.

10.4. No P.C.T. licence to judge at a Championship Show will be granted unless, at a meeting of the Committee of the P.C.T., a simple majority of the members present is in favour of such licence being granted.

10.5. The onus of proving one's eligibility for a licence shall rest with that person.

10.6. All licences shall expire on 31st December following the date granted (subject to Rule 10.8. and must be renewed by the payment of the prescribed fee.

10.7. No extension to Judges licences shall be granted except to those persons qualifying under judges' courses conducted by the P.C.T.

10.8. The Committee of the P.C.T. may refuse any application for licence or any renewal of licence, may cancel any licence, or may suspend for any period or vary in any way any licence already granted or may grant in part only any application for licence, and the Committee of the P.C.T. shall not be bound to assign any reason for so doing or to give notice to any person or persons.

10.9. For an active judge to retain his/her licence, he/she must pay the prescribed renewal fee within sixty (60) days of the licence expiry, and forward complete details of judging experience and other show exposure for the preceding year, and attend at least one (1) P.C.T. approved seminar. The Committee of the P.C.T. at its discretion may waive the above requirements in special circumstances.

10.10. An inactive judge may be re-admitted to the P.C.T. Judges Panel after undertaking a refresher course in his/her speciality and/or at the discretion of the Committee of the P.C.T.

10.11. Lists of judges licensed by the Committee of the P.C.T. shall be compiled and made available to kindred and affiliated bodies. Such lists shall specify what breed or breeds of cat each judge is eligible to judge.

10.12. Judges listed on the P.C.T. Judges Panel must be normally resident in Tasmania.

10.13. No person shall either for himself or for any other person solicit any appointment to judge at any fixture conducted or to be conducted under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. The application or the effect of this Rule is not intended to and shall not limit in any way the proper nomination and selection of judges by committees or members of clubs. Any person, whether a licensed judge or not, committing a breach of this Rule shall be liable to be dealt with under Rule 12.8 hereof.



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## 11. Judges Classes

11.1. The Committee shall require any applicant wishing to undertake a P.C.T. Judges Course to be a financial member of the P.C.T. and meet the requirements as specified in appendix D as annexed to these Rules.

## 12. Disciplinary Action

12.1. Notwithstanding anything herein stated, The Committee of the P.C.T. may, of its own motion, at any time call upon any person whom it has reason to suspect of having been guilty of any action or conduct which, in the opinion of the said Committee, is discreditable or injurious to those interested in feline affairs or otherwise in contravention, evasion, or attempted evasion, direct or indirect, of the letter or spirit of the Rules, Regulations, Resolutions, and/or Directions of the P.C.T. to answer a charge in respect of such action or conduct. Pending the charge being answered to the satisfaction of the Committee or, if after hearing the charge, in such manner as it deems fit, the Committee finds the person guilty of the charge the Committee shall have power:

- a) To debar the person charged from judging and/or taking part in and/or having any connection with and/or attending any exhibition of cats held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. or being associated with any affiliated body; and
- b) To debar from competition all or any cats owned and/or part-owned and/or leased and/or partleased by him or her and/or registered in his or her name at the date the charge was laid. Not less than seven (7) days' notice shall be given those considered by the Committee of the P.C.T. to be concerned. Should any person fail to appear to answer to a charge, the Committee of the P.C.T. shall absence.

12.2. But it is expressly provided that on information and/or report supplied by a member of said Committee, the Committee may impose on any person or persons and/or their cats any one or more of the penalties referred to in Rules 12.8 and 12.14 without having given notice to any person. In such cases the person or persons so penalised shall be notified by letter sent to his or her address (if any) in the Register of the P.C.T.

12.3. Any person penalised by a decision of the P.C.T. under the provision of Rules 12.1 and 12.2 may within fourteen (14) days of the imposition of such penalty give notice of appeal against such decision. Such notice shall be in writing and state the grounds of appeal and shall be accompanied by a deposit of \$10.

12.4. Within sixty (60) days of receiving the proper notice, the said Committee shall hear the appeal either upon evidence previously before it or upon affidavits or statutory declarations or on viva voce evidence or in any way it may think fit either in the presence or absence of the person or persons considered by the said Committee to be concerned. The said Committee may then quash, set aside, decrease, increase, or add to the penalty awarded by it or confirm its previous decision.

12.5. The powers conferred in these Rules as to appeals under Rule 12.3, may be exercised by the said Committee, notwithstanding that the notice of appeal may be that only part of the decision is objected to or sought to be reviewed, varied, or otherwise dealt with. Such powers may also be exercised against all or any other person or persons who may be considered by the said Committee to be implicated, even though he, she, or they may not have appealed from such decision or may not have been dealt with by the said Committee.

12.6. Whereupon the said Committee has occasion to come to a decision whether by enquiry or direct action or in consideration of an appeal, the said Committee shall have power to draw inferences of



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fact, or to rely upon affidavits or statutory declarations or viva voce evidence or in any way it may think fit either in the presence or absence of the person or persons considered by the said Committee to be concerned, and to give judgement or decision and make such order as in its opinion the justice of the case requires.

12.7. The said Committee shall have power to request any person to make an affidavit or statutory declaration of the facts of the matter.

12.8. The Committee of the P.C.T. in acting under these Rules or any one of them, shall have power to impose any one or more of the following penalties:

- a) To suspend or disqualify or otherwise debar any person from judging and/or taking part in and/or having any connection with and/or attending any exhibition of cats held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. or being associated with any affiliated body;
- b) To suspend or disqualify or otherwise debar from competition all or any cats owned and/or partowned and/or leased and/or part-leased by him or her and/or registered in his or her name at the date the charge was laid and information and/or report was supplied to the Committee of the P.C.T. by a member of that Committee;
- c) To cancel or strike from its records the registration of any cat or cats owned and/or part owned and/or leased and/or part-leased by any person referred to in Clause (a) of this Rule for such time as the Committee sees fit;
- d) To refuse to register any litter bred from any cat owned and/or part-owned and/or leased and/or part-leased by any person referred to in Clause (a) of this Rule;
- e) To impose a fine as provided in Rule 12.14; and
- f) To impose any other penalty as the Committee deems fit.

12.9. The penalties provided herein may be for the life or such shorter period as the Committee of the P.C.T. shall fix, and the said Committee shall have power from time to time to remove, modify, or vary in any way any suspension, disqualification, or any other state of ineligibility.

12.10. Any person suspended or disqualified by the Committee of the P.C.T., or otherwise ineligible to take part in exhibitions held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. shall, during the period of such suspension, disqualification, or ineligibility, not be eligible to become or remain a member or be in any way associated with anybody affiliated with the P.C.T. If any such person shall attend any exhibition held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T., the Committee of the P.C.T. shall have power to increase the period of such suspension, disqualification, or ineligibility.

12.11. The Committee of the P.C.T. shall have power in any case under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. to publish the account of any action it takes against any person and/or cat, and the names, description and addresses of those concerned, and further, to publish the names of such disqualified or suspended persons and/or cats and of persons and/or cats which otherwise become ineligible in accordance with the provisions of the Rules.

12.12. Any person or body who shall employ in any capacity in connection with cats any person suspended or disqualified by the Committee of the P.C.T. or any affiliated body which permits such a person or one otherwise ineligible to take part in an exhibition held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. or accepts an entry for a suspended, disqualified, or otherwise ineligible cat shall, if it is proved to the satisfaction of the Committee of the P.C.T. that such suspension, disqualification, or other state of ineligibility was known of, be liable to be dealt with as an offender within the meaning of the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.



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12.13. Any member of the P.C.T. suspended or disqualified by the Committee of the P.C.T. or any person who becomes ineligible in accordance with the provisions of the Rules, shall not be entitled to the return of any portion of his or her annual subscription fees.

12.14. The Committee of the P.C.T. shall have power to inflict a fine on any person or persons or on any affiliated body if, in the opinion of the said Committee, a breach of the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. has occurred, and in default of the fine being paid within the period specified by the said Committee to increase the fine or deal otherwise with the person or persons or body by suspending, disqualifying, or otherwise debarring.

12.15. The Committee of the P.C.T. shall make such order as it deems fit with reference to the sum of \$10 deposit with any appeal.

12.16. If, in the opinion of the Committee, the complaint is frivolous, the deposit may be retained by the Committee.

12.17. Any person causing annoyance by loud comments on a decision of a judge or being guilty of unsportsmanlike or unseemly actions while in the precincts of the exhibition, may be removed from the precincts of the exhibition provided a notice is displayed outside the premises, notifying the right of the body conducting the exhibition to debar or remove any person from the premises. It shall be the duty of the Committee of the exhibition to report all such cases to the Committee of the P.C.T. within seven (7) days, and to supply such Committee with all possible evidence of the actions and the names and addresses of witnesses. The responsibility of investigating and taking appropriate action in connection with cases of unsportsmanlike or unseemly actions within the precincts of the exhibition shall rest with the Committee of the P.C.T. who shall deal with the matter and impose such penalties as to it deems fit.

12.18. If a prize-winner be disqualified, the cats next in consecutive order of merit, but not lower than the emergency award shall be moved into the higher places in the prize list.

12.19. All penalties imposed and/or endorsed by the Committee of the P.C.T. shall be observed and enforced by all bodies affiliated with the P.C.T.

12.20. If any case occurs which is not, or which is alleged not to be provided for in these Rules, it shall be determined by the Committee of the P.C.T. in such manner as it deems fit, and its decision shall be final, subject to the right of appeal provided in these Rules.

12.21. First offences of the following description shall entail a fine of \$10 for each case unless the Committee of the P.C.T. is satisfied that the omission was bona fide:

- a) Failure to lodge in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.:
  - i. Draft of Prize Schedule;
  - ii. Marked Catalogue;
  - iii. Report of objection, enquiry, or a case of unsportsmanlike or unseemly action; and
- b) Failure to pay prize money or deliver or make available Special Prizes within the specified period, or to pay a judge within the prescribed period.

12.22. Fines imposed by the Committee of the P.C.T. shall be retained by the P.C.T.

12.23. Fines imposed by affiliated bodies shall, subject to the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. governing appeals, be retained by such bodies.



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## 13. Miscellaneous Regulations

- 13.1. All affiliates must have an adequate first aid box available at all fixtures.
- 13.2. Owners of P.C.T. registered stud cats should ensure that only registered stock is accepted for mating.
- 13.3. It shall be the duty of each breeder of cats to keep a proper record of his breeding activities, such record to be made available to the P.C.T. on reasonable request.
- 13.4. The Committee of the P.C.T. may, from time to time, levy or charge such fees as to it seems proper for the carrying out of any of the objects of the P.C.T.
- 13.5. In the Rules the letters "P.C.T." shall mean the Pedigree Cats Tasmania(Inc) and the foregoing shall be the Rules made and adopted by the Pedigree Cats Tasmania(Inc).
- 13.6. In the Rules wherever the context allows:
  - a) Cat also means kitten;
  - b) Masculine gender shall include the feminine; and
  - c) Singular shall include the plural.
- 13.7. All cats and kittens must be neutered and microchipped prior to leaving the breeder, in accordance with Tasmanian State Cat Law. The only exception is if the cat or kitten in question is being sold for breeding purposes to a Registered Breeder.

## 14. Rules for The Conduct of Exhibitions

- 14.1. These Rules shall apply to all exhibitions held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T., and all bodies conducting, and all exhibitors and persons attending such exhibitions, and all members of bodies affiliated with the P.C.T. shall be deemed to have expressly agreed to submit to, carry out, enforce, and be bound by the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. Any person who takes part in any matter coming within the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. shall be held thereby to consent to be bound by them and shall not be entitled to appeal to any court because of anything done by the Committee in administering the affairs of the P.C.T. and the decision of the P.C.T. on all matters shall be final and binding.
- 14.2. A "CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW" is an exhibition of registered cats at which Challenge Certificates, award cards and prizes are awarded. At all shows and other exhibitions, the cats must be benched for inspection by the general public unless the special permission of the Committee of the P.C.T. is obtained.
- 14.3. For a show to retain Championship status there shall be a minimum entry of seventy (70) exhibits.
- 14.4. The first day of a show or other exhibition means the first day on which the breed is exhibited (subject to Rule 26.17).

## 15. Permission to Hold an Exhibition

- 15.1. No affiliated body shall hold or conduct any show or other exhibition without permission being granted by the Committee of the P.C.T.
- 15.2. Any affiliated body desiring to hold any show or other exhibition shall make application to the Secretary of the P.C.T., in writing, prior to the first day of September in each year prior to that of the proposed date of the exhibition, unless otherwise permitted by the Committee of the P.C.T.
- 15.3. All shows or other exhibitions of affiliated bodies shall be held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.



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## 16. Schedules

16.1. All Rules, Regulations, Definitions, or Instructions in the nature of Rules and Regulations printed in the Prize Schedule shall be deemed to regulations of the show, parade, or other exhibition, and shall have the same effect as if they formed part of these Rules, provided they are not inconsistent with these Rules.

16.2. A notification to the effect that the body is affiliated with the P.C.T., and that the exhibition is held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T., and that a copy of them may be perused at the office of the Secretary of the Exhibition, must be inserted in the Prize Schedule and the catalogue. The Prize Schedule shall also state the necessity for registration and transfer or lease, and in doing so shall show the full address of the P.C.T. and, if litter classes are provided, the necessity for entry in the Litter Record. It shall also state that applications for registration, transfer, lease, and Litter Record shall be made direct with the P.C.T.

16.3. Provided the P.C.T. Standard Prize Schedule is issued with the initial show schedule each year, by each affiliate, this shall be considered sufficient.

16.4. Both Prize Schedule and catalogue shall state:

- a) The name of the judge for each group of breeds;
- b) The correct status of the exhibition (e.g. Championship Show);
- c) The time of benching and vetting; and
- d) The time the show opens and closes to the public.

16.5. The conditions and particulars set out in the approved draft of the Prize Schedule must be strictly adhered to in the published Prize Schedule and the catalogue and shall not be altered unless the special permission of the Committee of the P.C.T. or its appointed delegate is obtained, in which case exhibitors shall be given the option of withdrawing their exhibits and receiving a refund of entry fees paid.

16.6. In all Prize Schedules and catalogues there shall be published with the details of all special prizes for which more than one win is required, a list of the names and number of wins recorded for each prior winner, P.C.T. Special Awards excepted.

16.7. No groups or classes other than those defined shall be permitted without the special permission of the Committee of the P.C.T.

16.8. The Secretary of the affiliated body must forward to the P.C.T. a copy of the Prize Schedule within three (3) days of its being published.

16.9. Where no Challenge Certificates are to be offered at a show, a notification to that effect must be printed in all Prize Schedules and catalogues. Where Challenge Certificates are offered such of the following words as are applicable must be printed in all Prize Schedules and catalogues. "P.C.T. Challenge Certificates may be awarded to the winning entries in the Open Classes (Unpedigreed group, A.O.V., A.O.C. and other breeds as from time to time specified, excepted) of each breed section irrespective of the number of entries, at the discretion of the judge." For conditions regarding the titles of "P.C.T. Champion", "P.C.T. Grand Champion", "P.C.T. Premier Neuter", and "P.C.T. Grand Premier Neuter", see Rules 7.1 to 7.4.

## 17. Classes for Events

17.1. Only registered cats may be shown in Pedigreed classes.

17.2. The age of all cats shall be computed from the day of their birth to the first day on which the breed group is exhibited at the exhibition.



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17.3. An "ENTIRE MALE CAT" is a cat with both testicles approximately similar in size and fully descended into the scrotum, and which has not been sterilised.

17.4. An "ENTIRE FEMALE CAT" is a female cat which has been neither spayed or sterilised.

17.5. A "CASTRATED MALE CAT" is a cat whose testicles have been removed surgically.

17.6. A "SPAYED FEMALE CAT" is a cat which has been rendered permanently unable to reproduce by surgical methods.

17.7. A "DOMESTIC PET":

- (a) Is a cat whose ancestral table does not meet the requirements of a pedigreed or experimental cat; or
- (b) Is a cat which has one known pedigreed parent, has never been registered or is ineligible for registration whether as an individual or in a litter, and is not eligible for entry in pedigreed or experimental classes.

## 18. Pedigreed Kitten Classes

18.1. These classes are open to all exhibits, whether entire or desexed, ten (10) weeks of age and under nine (9) months on the day of the show.

M3 Male under Three Months

F3 Female under Three Months

M5 Male under Five Months

F5 Female under Five Months

M7 Male under Seven Months

F7 Female under Seven Months

M9 Male under Nine Months

F9 Female under Nine Months

Kittens may only be entered in their respective age group.

18.2. A "MONTH" for the purpose of these Rules shall mean a calendar month.

## 19. Pedigreed Cat Classes

19.1. These classes are open to entire exhibits nine (9) months of age and over on the day of the show.

- FN Female Novice, MN Male Novice - Female/Male entire exhibits not having won a first prize in cat classes at closure of entries.
- FL Female Limit, ML Male Limit - Female/Male entire exhibits not having won four (4) first prizes in cat classes at closure of entries. Champions are ineligible.
- FJ Female Junior, MJ Male Junior - Female/Male entire exhibits under eighteen (18) months of age on the day of the show.
- FI Female Intermediate, MI Male Intermediate - Female/Male entire exhibits over eighteen (18) months of age and under five (5) years of age on the day of the show.
- FS Female Senior, MS Male Senior - Female/Male entire exhibits over five (5) years of age of age and under seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- FV Female Veteran, MV Male Veteran - Female/Male entire exhibits over seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- FO Female Open, MO Male Open - Female/Male entire exhibits including Champions and Grand Champions.

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## 20. Pedigreed Neuter Classes

20.1. Monorchid and Cryptorchid cats may not be shown in Neuter Classes.

20.2. These classes are open to de-sexed exhibits nine (9) months of age and over on the day of the show.

- SFN Spayed Female Novice, CMN Castrated Male Novice - Female/Male Neuter exhibits not having won a first prize in adult neuter classes at closure of entries.
- SFL Spayed Female Limit, CML Castrated Male Limit - Female/Male Neuter exhibits not having won four (4) first prizes in adult neuter classes at closure of entries. Premier Neuters are ineligible.
- SFJ Spayed Female Junior, CMJ Castrated Male Junior - Female/Male Neuter exhibits under eighteen (18) months of age on the day of the show.
- SFI Spayed Female Intermediate, CMI Castrated Male Intermediate - Female/Male Neuter exhibits over eighteen (18) months of age and under five (5) years of age on the day of the show.
- SFS Spayed Female Senior, CMS Castrated Male Senior - Female/Male Neuter exhibits over five (5) years of age and under seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- SFV Spayed Female Veteran, CMV Castrated Male Veteran - Female/Male Neuter exhibits over seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- SFO Spayed Female Open, CMO Castrated Male Open - Female/Male Neuter exhibits including Premier Neuters and Grand Premier Neuters.

## 21. Championship Classes

21.1. Certain Championship Classes are grouped as determined from time to time by the Committee of the P.C.T.

- FGC Female Grand Champion, MGC Male Grand Champion - Female/Male cats that have qualified for and been granted the title of "Grand Champion" under Rule 7.2 at closure of entries.

FGN Female Grand Premier Neuter, MGN Male Grand Premier Neuter – Spayed Female/Castrated Male cats that have qualified for and been granted the title of "Grand Premier Neuter" under Rule 7.4 at closure of entries.

## 22. Group Events

- PK Pair of Kittens, PC Pair of cats - Two (2) kittens, whether entire, de-sexed, or one of each, or two entire cats of the same breed and colour but of opposite sex. Each must be entered in its respective individual class. An exhibit may be entered only once in this class.
- BK Brace of Kittens, BC Pair of cats - Two (2) kittens, whether entire, de-sexed, or one of each, or two entire cats of the same breed, sex, and colour. Each must be entered in its respective individual class. An exhibit may be entered only once in this class.
- TK Team of Kittens, TC Team of cats - Three (3) kittens, whether entire, de-sexed, or any of each, or three entire cats of the same breed and colour. Each must be entered in its respective individual class. An exhibit may be entered only once in this class.
- LIT Litter of Kittens - All of the living progeny of one birth ten (10) weeks of age and under five (5) months on the day of the show. The total number of kittens is to be shown on the entry form. In the event of the death of a kitten between closure of entries and the day of the show, a veterinary certificate certifying cause of death must be furnished to the veterinary surgeon officiating on the day of the show. NOTE: Certain litters may be grouped. e.g. all Longhair litters compete in the one event.

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## 23. Companion Cat Classes

Companion Cats may be shown as purebred subject to the consent of the Breeder but may not then revert to companion classes.

- CC/SFK Spayed Female Kitten, CC/CMK Castrated Male Kitten - Female/Male de-sexed companion cats ten (10) weeks of age and under nine (9) months on the day of the show.
- CC/SFN Spayed Female Novice, CC/CMN Castrated Male Novice - Female/Male companion cats not having won a first prize in adult companion classes at closure of entries.
- CC/SFL Spayed Female Limit, CC/CML Castrated Male Limit - Female/Male companion cats not having won four (4) first prizes in adult companion classes at closure of entries.
- CC/SFJ Spayed Female Junior, CC/CMJ Castrated Male Junior - Female/Male companion cats under eighteen (18) months of age on the day of the show.
- CC/SFI Spayed Female Intermediate, CC/CMI Castrated Male Intermediate - Female/Male companion cats over eighteen (18) months of age and under five (5) years of age on the day of the show.
- CC/SFS Spayed Female Senior, CC/CMS Castrated Male Senior - Female/Male companion cats over five (5) years of age of age and under seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- CC/SFV Spayed Female Veteran, CC/CMV Castrated Male Veteran - Female/Male companion cats over seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- CC/SFO Spayed Female Open, CC/CMO Castrated Male Open - Female/Male companion cats.

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(10) weeks of age and under nine (9) months on the day of the show.

- DP/SFN Spayed Female Novice, DP/CMN Castrated Male Novice - Female/Male domestic exhibits not having won a first prize in adult domestic classes at closure of entries.
- DP/SFL Spayed Female Limit, DP/CML Castrated Male Limit - Female/Male domestic exhibits not having won four (4) first prizes in adult domestic classes at closure of entries.
- DP/SFJ Spayed Female Junior, DP/CMJ Castrated Male Junior - Female/Male domestic exhibits under eighteen (18) months of age on the day of the show.

DP/SFI Spayed Female Intermediate, DP/CMI Castrated Male Intermediate - Female/Male domestic exhibits over eighteen (18) months of age and under five (5) years of age on the day of the show.

- DP/SFS Spayed Female Senior, DP/CMS Castrated Male Senior - Female/Male domestic exhibits over five (5) years of age of age and under seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- DP/SFV Spayed Female Veteran, DP/CMV Castrated Male Veteran - Female/Male domestic exhibits over seven (7) years of age on the day of the show.
- DP/SFO Spayed Female Open, DP/CMO Castrated Male Open - Female/Male domestic exhibits.

## 24. Other Classes

24.1. Other Special Classes, if approved and conducted under conditions as prescribed by the P.C.T. from time to time, will be permitted.

## 25. Entries

25.1. A cat when entered for a show or other exhibition, must either be solely and unconditionally the property of or lease by the exhibitor in accordance with Rule 2.25. Cats which are bought and sold between the closing date of entries and the day of the show may only be exhibited provided that the actual transfer is not affected until after the show.

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25.2. Forms provided for the entry of cats at Championship Shows shall carry the following wording above the space for signature: "I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the cat or cats to be exhibited by me are either my bona-fide property or are leased by me and are registered as such with the Pedigree Cats Tasmania(Inc) or a control body recognised by the Committee of the P.C.T. (unpedigreed excepted), and to the best of my knowledge and belief I and the cats named herein are eligible to take part in this exhibition taking into consideration the fact that any person promoting, making an entry for, exhibiting, judging, or in any way officiating at an exhibition of cats in Tasmania, (other than one held with the sanction of the P.C.T., or under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. by a body affiliated with the P.C.T.), or any person being connected with an unaffiliated body (other than a body having the sanction of the P.C.T.), is ineligible to take part in or attend a P.C.T. exhibition, and all such cats registered in the name of or owned by such a person are also ineligible. To the best of my knowledge and belief the cat or cats named herein have not been exposed to the risk of any infectious or contagious disease since the date which is twelve (12) clear days before that of the exhibition. I will not exhibit the at this exhibition if on or between now and the date of the exhibition they incur such risk, or otherwise become ineligible. In consideration of my entry being accepted I enter them at my own risk and agree to be bound by the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T., and I agree to abide by, observe, and perform any decisions of the Committee of the P.C.T. I acknowledge and agree that my exhibit(s) may be handled by authorised cadet judges during training assignments as approved and scheduled by the P.C.T.

25.3. Rule 25.2 may be abbreviated to read as follows: I, the undersigned, hereby agree that:

- (a) the above cats are owned or leased by me and are registered with the P.C.T. or another control body recognised by the P.C.T. (unpedigreed excepted);
- (b) the cats are eligible for the classes entered;
- (c) I enter the cats at my own risk;
- (d) I agree to observe and be bound by the Rules, Regulations, and Decisions of the Committee of the P.C.T. and accept their decision as final; and
- (e) I acknowledge and agree that my exhibit(s) may be handled by authorised cadet judges during training assignments as approved and scheduled by the P.C.T.

25.4. An exhibitor or his agent entering a cat in a show or other exhibition, must fill in and sign the entry form in ink, giving all the known details required for publication as set out in Rule 41.1.

25.5. The entry form must reach the Show Secretary not later than the date on which entries close as indicated in the Prize Schedule. The exhibitor shall be responsible for the correctness of the particulars contained in the entry form.

25.6. The entry fee for each cat as stated in the Prize Schedule must be paid at the time of entry (which entry shall be made on a special form provided for that purpose) and may be forfeited if the cat is not benched in accordance with Rule 26.8.

25.7. Any person making an entry for an exhibition, whether personally or through an agent, shall be liable for the fees payable whether or not the cat entered is exhibited.

25.8. All entry forms must be kept for at least three (3) months from the last day of the exhibition and, on request, shall be delivered to the Secretary of the P.C.T.

25.9. The closing date for entries for Championship Shows shall be at the discretion of the organising body, provided that all entries be clearly printed in the Show Catalogue. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in the cancellation of Championship Show status for that particular show.

25.10. All entries shall be treated as strictly confidential prior to the commencement of the exhibition.



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- 25.11. In cases where the information supplied on the entry form for an exhibition differs from that on the registration form, the latter shall be regarded as correct for the purpose of the exhibition until a rectification is properly made hereto.
- 25.12. Entries in pedigreed classes must not be accepted unless the registration number is quoted or, in the case of kittens under five (5) months of age, the litter registration number is shown.
- 25.13. The Committee of anybody holding an exhibition under these Rules shall have the right to refuse or return any entry without assigning the reason to the intending exhibitor, provided the decision is made at a properly convened and constituted meeting of that Committee, and such decision is communicated in writing to the intending exhibitor at least three (3) clear days before the exhibition is scheduled to be held, provided however that the Committee of the P.C.T. may call upon the Committee of the body at any time to give its reasons to the Committee of the P.C.T. for any such refusal. No Sub-Committee shall have power to refuse or return any entry. Entry fees shall be returned in the case of rejected entries.
- 25.14. In the event of entries exceeding the number of cages available the body conducting the exhibition may restrict entries under the terms of Rule 25.13, provided that cage space be allotted in order of receipt of entries.
- 25.15. After the closing date of entries for an exhibition an affiliated body shall, on demand by the Committee of the P.C.T., immediately deliver to the Secretary of the P.C.T. or his deputy, all entries received for the exhibition up to the time of such demand. It shall be the duty of the appointed person to make a list of the entries placed before him, which shall be delivered to the P.C.T. A representative of the affiliated body shall have the right to check the list which, with or without checking, shall be taken as accurate.
- 25.16. The acceptance of unpedigreed exhibits at all shows shall be at the discretion of the Show Committee.
- 25.17. A show or other exhibition may not be postponed unless with the special permission of the Committee of the P.C.T. If, after the closing date for entry, a show or other exhibition is postponed for not more than one month, the age of the cats entered shall be computed to the original date of the exhibition as advertised in the Prize Schedule.
- 25.18. No cat shall be entered for competition or exhibition only or be advertised or otherwise referred to by only part of the registered name, which includes the prefix and recognised title (if any), and the word (Imp.) if the cat is imported, or by a name different to the registered name.
- 26. Benching
  - 26.1. The benching of exhibits shall be in the various groups and breeds as set out in Appendix A.
  - 26.2. The adjacent benching of stud males shall not be permitted.
  - 26.3. When, in the opinion of the Show Manager and the P.C.T. Representative, an exhibitor has neglected his/her exhibit so as to cause distress, the exhibitor shall be dealt with under Rule 12.1.
  - 26.4. Not under any circumstances shall a body conducting an exhibition under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. arrange cages on top of one another.
  - 26.5. All exhibits shall be adequately boxed for delivery to any show prior to vetting.



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- 26.6. No exhibit shall be absent from the immediate vicinity of the cage to which it has been allotted except for the purpose of being judged, or by permission of the Committee of the exhibition or its authorised representative. A penalty shall be imposed by such Committee for breaches of this Rule.
- 26.7. Cats shall be at the place of exhibition by the time stipulated in the Prize Schedule on the opening day of the exhibition, and in the case of shows shall be benched by that time after which the Committee of the exhibition may refuse to accept exhibits or may receive them and may impose a penalty (subject to Rule 28.13).
- 26.8. Notwithstanding the conditions of Rule 26.6, in the case where the duration of the exhibition exceeds one day, exhibitors may be permitted to take their exhibits away from the exhibition after it closes at night leaving a deposit as fixed by the Committee of the exhibition for each cat. The deposit (with all prizes the cat may have won) may be forfeited, and the matter shall be reported to the P.C.T. if the cat is not returned by the time stipulated by the Committee of the exhibition, and in the case of shows, not benched by that time. Unless special permission is obtained from the body holding the exhibition or from its authorised representative, no cat may be removed from the exhibition before the time specified in the Prize Schedule. Contravention of this Rule may cause the forfeiture of all prizes and prize money which may have been won by the cat, and the matter shall be reported to the Committee of the P.C.T. who may impose such penalty as to it seems fit.
- 26.9. White, preferably plastic, rectangular litter trays must be provided by exhibitors, which may be left in the cage for the duration of the show.
- 26.10. The use of unauthorised powders or sprays in the show hall is strictly forbidden and any breach of this Rule will result in the disqualification of all that exhibitor's entries.
- 26.11. There shall be no interior or exterior decoration or distinguishing objects placed on, in, or near cages prior to, or during judging other than one toy.
- 26.12. A piece of plain textured material, white or colour, may cover the base of the cage during judging, however any padding or hot water bottles etc., must not be visible.
- 26.13. Curtains made of plain textured material, white or colour, may be hung around the rear and sides of the cage during judging.
- 26.14. No cat or other animal other than an exhibit, shall be allowed within the precincts of an exhibition during its continuance except that, in the case of special and emergency circumstances, the Show Manager may permit a cat not entered to remain within the precincts of the show, but such cat shall not be permitted to be on exhibition and no such permission shall be granted by the Show Manager unless the cat concerned shall be passed by the veterinary surgeon as being free from communicable disease. N.B. The provisions of this Rule do not apply to guide dogs.
- 26.15. White or stainless-steel water bowls which can firmly attach to the front door of the cage may be used during judging. Water only may be provided for Exhibits during judging.
- 26.16. Grooming after vetting in the show hall can be carried out, as long as the cat does not leave its allocated cage. If the cat requires substantial assistance in the way of grooming due to toileting accident, permission must be sought from the show manager or P.C.T. representative for the cat to be removed from its cage.

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## 27. Withdrawal of Entries

27.1. Where a person withdraws a cat entered in a show they shall be required, at the time of withdrawal, to furnish a written explanation to the Show Secretary which will be forwarded to the P.C.T. Where the written explanation is not produced, or the Committee of the P.C.T. considers the explanation to be unsatisfactory, the P.C.T. may, at its discretion, request a veterinary certificate of clearance within seven (7) days naming the withdrawn cat(s). Where a certificate is requested by the P.C.T. and not produced within seven (7) days, the person(s) concerned shall be considered as being in enforced quarantine until such time as the certificate is produced.

27.2. The P.C.T. shall hold such written explanations for a period of three (3) months before destroying them.

27.3. Where the name of a judge announced in a Prize Schedule is changed, a cat may, however, be withdrawn before the commencement of the judging by the substituted judge of the show, parade, or other exhibition by the owner or his duly accredited agent, after giving notice of his intention to the Committee of the exhibition, and on application a refund of entry fees shall be made.

## 28. Veterinary Rules

28.1. Each exhibit shall be examined at every show, or exhibition by a veterinary surgeon. Cats which are unfit for exhibition will be removed from any area connected with the functioning of the show immediately and, if in the opinion of the veterinary surgeon it is so desirable, all other exhibits from the same cattery, and if also deemed necessary the owner(s) thereof shall be debarred from attending the show, and all entry fees forfeited. Where in-cage vetting is operating, the cage(s) occupied by the rejected cat(s) shall be disinfected forthwith with a disinfectant approved by the veterinarian.

28.2. If at any time a veterinary officer is not present, a competent deputy shall be appointed by the P.C.T. Representative in consultation with the Show Committee, to act in his stead. Such action should be considered by the P.C.T. Representative as a last resort.

28.3. Notwithstanding Rule 28.2, no exhibit is to be judged before being examined by the veterinary surgeon.

28.4. Cats and kittens must have clipped claws, clean ears, and coats free from pests. Strict attention must be paid to this rule. Claws are not to be clipped within the Cat Pavilion.

28.5. Any cat found to be suffering from the effects of drugs on entry or at any time during the show will be subject to expulsion from the show on the authority of the veterinary surgeon, or where the owner admits that drugs have been administered.

28.6. Veterinary surgeons appointed by clubs must be instructed not to admit cats over nine (9) months of age which are either monorchids or cryptorchids; nor must they admit cats which show evidence of the following: Deafness, Entropion, Umbilical Hernia, Lower Jaw Abnormalities, or other obvious congenital defects.

28.7. Owners and/or guardians of cats which contract any infectious or contagious disease must immediately notify the P.C.T. in writing enclosing relevant veterinary certificate(s) issued. The affected cat(s), together with all other cats normally residing in that cattery, must remain in quarantine until fourteen (14) days after that cattery has been declared disease free provided that the written notification of clearance together with the veterinary certificate to that effect has been received by the P.C.T. within five (5) days of issue. If such notification of clearance is not received within five (5) days of issue then that



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cattery shall remain in quarantine until fourteen (14) days after the notification has been received by the P.C.T.

28.8. In all cases where cats are rejected by the veterinary surgeon, he shall be required by the Show Manager to complete the P.C.T. Veterinary Rejection Form. This written statement shall be forwarded to the P.C.T. without delay. When the veterinary surgeon indicates that a veterinary certificate should be obtained before the rejected cat is eligible to be shown again, Rule 28.7 is to be applied and quarantine conditions observed.

28.9. Any person who has an exhibit rejected at a veterinary examination at any show not conducted under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T., must immediately notify in writing the complete circumstances to the P.C.T.

28.10. For the purpose of Rule 28.7, quarantine conditions shall apply for the following infectious diseases: Infectious Feline Enteritis (Panleucopenia), Cat "Flu" - This is the common name for a number of feline respiratory viruses including Feline Rhinotracheitis, Pneumonitis, Ulcerative Glossitis, Ringworm, and Mange Veterinary surgeons shall have professional discretionary power in other cases.

28.11. While a cattery is in quarantine no person, either owning or residing at that cattery, shall:

- (a) Attend a cat show;
- (b) Make any entry for competition at any cat show unless, at the time of entering, the nature of the quarantine and expected date of clearance is fully disclosed to the organising body;
- (c) Accept an assignment to steward at any cat show unless, at the time of entering, the Nature of the quarantine and expected date of clearance is fully disclosed to the organising body;
- (d) Accept an assignment to judge at any cat show unless, at the time of entering, the nature of the quarantine and expected date of clearance is fully disclosed to the organising body;
- (e) Lodge an advertisement for publication advertising any cat or kitten for sale;
- (f) Allow any cat or kitten to leave that cattery for its new home;
- (g) Lodge any advertisement for publication advertising stud service; (h) Send any cat from that cattery to another cattery for stud service;
- (h) Accept a queen into that cattery for stud service;
- (i) Lodge any advertisement for publication advertising a boarding facility; (k) Send any cat from that cattery to another cattery for the purpose of board; or (j) Accept a cat into that cattery for board.

Failure to observe this Rule or any part of this Rule will automatically involve disqualification for both the owner(s) and/or their cats for such period as the Committee of the P.C.T. shall direct.

28.12. Veterinary Certificates that are produced by exhibitors are required to be renewed every six (6) months.

28.13. Cats which are brought to an exhibition after the specified time for veterinary examination shall not be permitted within the precincts of the exhibition under any circumstances, provided however that when a cat arrives after the specified time for veterinary examination, the Secretary or his deputy of the body conducting the show may, if satisfied that there is a reasonable excuse for late arrival, permit the cat to be examined, and if passed by the veterinary surgeon, the cat shall be eligible to compete.

28.14. At every exhibition bowls of suitable disinfectant against contagious or infectious disease, and a towel, shall be provided for the use of all veterinary surgeons, judges, and stewards.

28.15. A steward or stewards shall be appointed at every exhibition where a veterinary inspection is made, for the purpose of establishing that each exhibit has been passed by the veterinary surgeon before it is judged.



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28.16. The owner of any cat entered for an exhibition held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. may be called upon at any time by the Committee of the P.C.T. to make a statutory declaration and, if required, support it with a certificate from a qualified veterinary surgeon, declaring that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief the cat exhibited is in good health and not suffering from any infectious or contagious disease, and has not within twelve (12) days immediately preceding the exhibition been exposed to any infectious or contagious disease or has not been on the same premises as any cat which has been affected with any infectious or contagious disease. Failure to comply with this Rule may disqualify the cat concerned and prevent it from taking any part in the exhibition and shall render the owner liable to disqualification or such other punishment and for such term as the Committee of the P.C.T. may decide. 29. Judging

- 29.1. A judge's decision on the merit of the exhibits shall be final unless such decision is contrary to the Rules and/or Regulations of the P.C.T.
- 29.2. Judges shall be empowered and instructed not to award any Prize, Special Prize, or Challenge Certificate to any exhibit which they consider is not of sufficient merit. The judge may award a second or third prize if offered instead of a first or second one or may withhold a prize altogether where the exhibits are not of sufficient merit.
- 29.3. The judge shall make an emergency number of the exhibit next in merit beyond those to which the prizes are awarded in all competitions (including the award of Challenge Certificates) where the number of entries exceeds the number of prizes offered if, in his opinion, the exhibit is of sufficient merit to deserve the prize. Such emergency number shall not carry any prize or other reward and should not be announced. Judge's comments must be restricted to the first column of the Judge's Book.
- 29.4. Alterations made by the judge in the judge's book or card must be initialled by him at the time of the alterations.
- 29.5. A judge shall not place two or more exhibits equal for any award.
- 29.6. After the Show Secretary has given word to the judge to proceed with the judging of a competition, no other exhibit shall be allowed to be benched.
- 29.7. At the time of judging no person shall be allowed in the judging area save the judges and the properly appointed officials and stewards. No cat may be removed from its cage by its owner for presentation to judge unless otherwise scheduled. Any Exhibitor found breaching these rules may face disqualification.
- 29.8. Affiliates who conduct open shows shall section off clearly defined areas for judging.
- 29.9. A properly compiled and separate judging book or cards must be provided for each judge. Such book or cards must be signed by the judge and retained for at least three (3) months from the last day thereof. Judges must personally indicate their awards in the book or cards. The signed judges' slips shall be placed on a notice board which shall be freely open to inspection by exhibitors and public. This notice board and the signed judge's slips shall remain open to inspection for the remainder of the show.
- 29.10. The judge's slips marked "Original" and "P.C.T. Copy" shall remain in the judge's books until the completion of judging.



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- 29.11. The slips marked "Card Room" as they are completed by the judge shall be sent to the card room for processing and then posted on the "Result Board". These slips shall be retained for at least three (3) months by the body holding the show.
- 29.12. On the completion of judging each judge will personally take his judge's book to the P.C.T. Representative who will remove the slips marked "P.C.T. Copy" and then staple them together. The P.C.T. Representative will be responsible for sealing the judge's slips in an envelope and forwarding them immediately to the P.C.T. The slips marked "Original" will be retained by the judge.
- 29.13. It is expressly provided that should an error occur in the judge's book, due to the fault of the Show Committee, the judge's book shall be amended, prior to 3.00 P.M. on the day of the show and the class rejudged.
- 29.14. No judge shall award a special prize which involves an adjudication on breeds of cats which are scheduled to be judged by more than one judge. Consultation of judges in the deciding of an award shall be at the discretion of the Show Manager.
- 29.15. Where a cat is outclassed by the judge, the judge shall be required to report the facts to the P.C.T.
- 29.16. If a cat is outclassed three (3) times under three (3) different judges at three (3) different shows then the P.C.T. shall reserve the right to reclassify the exhibit.
- 29.17. Where an exhibit is awarded best in its respective breed group, e.g. Best Group 1 Cat, the next award in order of preference shall be Best Reserve.
- 29.18. No person may judge at any show if they have had a knowledge of entry forms and/or catalogues prior to the commencement of judging, nor may they judge in a group where they are exhibiting.
- 29.19. No person may judge any exhibit which has been in their property within a period of three (3) months prior to the day of the exhibition.
- 29.20. Judges officiating at a show may at no time bench their own exhibits.
- 29.21. No person may judge at a show if they have had their exhibits rejected or contagious disease or evidence of external parasites.
- 29.22. No restriction will be placed on P.C.T. affiliated bodies concerning the selection of judges providing such appointments are made from the control bodies recognised by the P.C.T.

## 30. U.T.H. & U.T.J. Exhibits

30.1. Unable to Judge (UTJ) – at any show, a judge may take an exhibit from its cage and/or handle it but may determine that the exhibit's behaviour or manner is such that it cannot be fully or fairly assessed, there is no limit as to how many UTJ an exhibit may be awarded. Any cat which cannot be taken out of its cage by the judge or steward or whose disposition makes it impossible to judge satisfactorily will be classified as Unable to Handle (UTH) and will not be judged.

30.2. Any cat that shows aggression towards people especially any cat that bites or deliberately scratches someone is automatically declared UNABLE TO HANDLE (UTH). At any Show, once a Judge has determined that an exhibit is unable to be handled:

- (a) The Judge must immediately report the incident to the Show Manager and Association Representative who must witness that an exhibit is indeed unable to be handled.
- (b) An UNABLE TO HANDLE sign must be attached to the cage, clearly visible.



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- (c) Any judging having taken place prior to the incident will stand but no further judging by any Judge is then allowed.
- (d) Any cat that aggressively attacks a person and is marked UNABLE TO HANDLE (UTH) is automatically disqualified from any further parades, exhibitions or show venues.

At a multi-ring show conducted under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. any exhibit that is judged U.T.H. shall immediately be withdrawn from competition from all subsequent classes and rings provided that any awards and/or prizes already won shall not be forfeited. Any cat classified as U.T.H. shall be reported to the P.C.T. in writing on the approved form.

30.3. In the event that an exhibit, be classified U.T.H. at three (3) consecutive showings, it should be banned from competition at all further exhibitions held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. (at the discretion of the Committee of the P.C.T.)

30.4. In all incidents of attacks on show personnel by an exhibit, that exhibit shall be deemed U.T.H. and the appropriate U.T.H. report submitted to the P.C.T. immediately. Such incidents shall be dealt with at the discretion of the Committee of the P.C.T.

30.5. No cat deemed UTH shall be shown again until the P.C.T. committee at their next meeting issues a release.

## 31. Out of Show Condition

31.1. An exhibit shall be considered Out of Show Condition (O.S.C.) if, in the judge's opinion, its condition is not consistent with basic good health and presentation.

## 32. Judges Stewards

32.1. No person may act as a judge's steward if they have had a knowledge of the entry forms and/or catalogue preparation prior to the commencement of judging.

32.2. No person may act as a steward if they have had their exhibits rejected for contagious or infectious disease or evidence of external parasites or are in quarantine.

32.3. Stewards shall present themselves in a neat and tidy manner and shall wear a white dust coat during judging.

## 33. Judge's Expenses

33.1. Judge's expenses must be paid before the expiration of the exhibition.

## 34. Disqualifications & Objections

34.1. A cat may be disqualified from competition or exhibition and/or the exhibitor from retaining any prizes awarded in connection with it at the show, parade, or other exhibition concerned either by the Committee of the P.C.T. direct, or by the Committee of the exhibition by objection, subject to appeal to the Committee of the P.C.T., if it is proved to be:

- (a) exhibited at an exhibition previously declared "unrecognised" by the Committee of the P.C.T.;
- (b) registered in the name of, and/or owned or exhibited by, a person under a term of suspension or disqualification or by an otherwise ineligible person;
- (c) entered in a manner not in compliance with the classifications in the Prize Schedule
- (d) entered for exhibition not in accordance with the Rules and/or Regulations of the P.C.T.;

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- (e) not duly registered in the Register of the P.C.T. or a control body recognised by the Committee of the P.C.T., or in the case of litter classes not duly recorded in the Litter Record prior to entry for competition, unless the special permission of the P.C.T. has been obtained;
- (f) not duly transferred or leased in the Register of the P.C.T. in accordance with Rule 2.25, before exhibition, where a change of ownership has taken place, unless the special permission of the P.C.T. has been obtained;
- (g) exhibited or owned or part-owned or leased or part-leased by a judge of the section at the exhibition;
- (h) suffering from any infectious or contagious disease or exposed to the risk of such disease during the period dating from twelve (12) days prior to the exhibition; or
- (i) if it is proven that anything has been done which has been calculated to deceive such as:
  - i. any dye, colouring, lightening, or darkening matter has been used and remains on any part of the cat during the time of the exhibition;
  - ii. (ii) any preparation or powder has been used and remains on the cat, thereby altering the texture or appearance of its coat during the time of the exhibition;
  - iii. (iii) any cutting, piercing, breaking by force, or any kind of operation which destroys the tissue of the ears or alters their natural formation or carriage;
  - iv. (iv) any cutting, piercing, breaking by force, or any kind of operation or act of a like kind which otherwise alters the natural formation of the cat, or any part thereof, has been practised.

34.2. Such ineligibility, disqualification, or suspension shall also apply to all cats registered in the name of, or owned, or part-owned, or leased, or part-leased by the person. The state of ineligibility referred to in this Rule shall continue until removed by the Committee of the P.C.T.

34.3. Objection may be made to any cat by any person, except by one who is under a term of suspension or disqualification or is otherwise ineligible to take part in exhibitions held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. The objection must be in writing and be delivered to the Secretary or his deputy at his office at the exhibition or at his address as advertised in the Prize Schedule.

34.4. If the objection is made by a person other than a member of the Committee of the P.C.T. or an official of the body holding the exhibition, the sum of \$10 must be deposited at the same time, which sum shall be returned unless the Committee of the body holding the exhibition deems the objection to be frivolous, in which case it shall be forfeited.

34.5. Where objection is made under Rule 36.1, it must be made before the exhibition closes, and on all other grounds it must be made within seven (7) days of the last day of the exhibition.

34.6. An objection shall be dealt with at a meeting convened by the Committee of the body concerned within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the objection. A copy of the objection shall be dispatched by the Secretary within seventy-two (72) hours to the registered owner of the cat at his address as given on the entry form, and seventy-two (72) hours' notice of the meeting dealing with the matter shall be sent to all persons considered, by the Committee of the body, to be concerned, who shall be entitled to appear for the purpose of giving evidence. The Committee of the body concerned shall cause notes of all evidence given at the enquiry to be taken in writing, and witnesses shall be invited to sign any statement made by them in giving evidence.

34.7. The decision of the body, together with the notice of the right of appeal hereinafter mentioned, shall be communicated to the parties concerned within seventy-two (72) hours and, if the objection is upheld, a copy of the decision shall be sent to the Secretary of the P.C.T. Should any person fail to appear in



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answer to the notice of the meeting at which the objection is to be considered, the Committee of the body concerned may proceed to enquire into and deal with the objection, notwithstanding his or her absence.

35.7. Membership of a member can be cancelled and, exhibitors or general public, could be banned from attending shows if their behaviour is deemed unacceptable. Consisting of a two-strike policy, that if a justifiable letter of complaint is presented to committee, a warning will be issued, If the person in question continues the unacceptable behaviour and a second letter of complaint is presented to the committee, said person could be banned from any further cat shows and their membership cancelled.

## 35. Awards and Prizes

35.1. A "PRIZE" is a reward of any description offered for competition in a class for which an entry fee is charged.

35.2. A "SPECIAL: PRIZE" is a prize of any description offered for competition for which no entry fee is charged. Three or more cats must be eligible for a Special Prize to be awarded. Three unopposed cats may be merged together for the awarding of a Special Prize provided that the dissection of the breed groups (Group 1, Group 2 etc.) is borne in mind, and subject to the terms of Rule 36.1.

35.3. Every exhibit must be eligible for a Special Prize as well as Best in Show.

35.4. At all shows award cards showing the order of merit of the prize-winning cats must be exhibited after judging.

35.5. Where cards or certificates are awarded at shows the name and breed or variety of breed of the winning cat must be shown thereon, together with the name or description of the class or other competition in which the prize was won. Under no circumstances may a judge or other person Sign a Challenge Certificate on which the name of the club, the date of the show, and the breed and sex for which the certificate is offered are not stated. Any signed certificates which are withheld by the judge must be personally destroyed by him.

35.6. Prizes awarded to exhibits objected to, must not be delivered until the objection has been finally determined.

35.7. No Class, Prize, or Special Prize for all the cats at any open exhibition shall be confined to cats owned by any particular class or description of persons unless a corresponding Class, Prize, or Special Prize is open to all cats owned by all persons is offered.

35.8. No Class, Prize, or Special Prize may be inaugurated for cats from a specified cattery or catteries or for descendants of a specified cat or cats, and no prize of free service by any cat shall be permitted.

## 36. Eligibility for Special Prizes

36.1. No cat shall be eligible to compete for a Special Prize at any exhibition if, at that exhibition, it has been beaten by a cat which is itself eligible to compete for such Special Prize, or by a cat which has been beaten by an eligible one, provided that exhibits which eliminate each other directly or indirectly shall not be ineligible for that reason. No cat shall be eligible to compete for a Special Prize, or Challenge Certificate unless it has competed in at least one ordinary class at that exhibition, provided that this last condition shall not affect the eligibility of any cat to compete for a Special Prize limited to the winner of a special class or classes in which it is entered.

36.2. Any cat which becomes ineligible for the class in which it was entered due to a show award between the closure of entries and the day of the show must be withdrawn by the exhibitor within forty-eight (48)



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hours of becoming ineligible and may be transferred to an eligible class on request to the Show Manager. Transfer of entry may not be affected, nor may a refund of fees be given where the required notification has not been lodged.

## 37. Supreme Exhibit

37.1. When a Supreme Exhibit is awarded at a Championship Show sanctioned by the P.C.T., such decision shall be made by a panel consisting of all officiating all-breeds judges. Such panel shall comprise one (1) or any odd number of judges.

37.2. All judging panels shall utilise secret ballots.

## 38. Duplicate Award Cards

38.1. Duplicate award cards or ribbons, if available, may be issued only if the identifiable remains of the originals are produced or a satisfactory declaration certifying that they have been destroyed or lost or not received by the owner is produced and approved by the Committee of the exhibition.

## 39. Payment of Prize Money

39.1. Subject to Rule 35.6, all prize money (if any) must be paid and Special Prizes presented or forwarded to the successful exhibitors within thirty (30) days of the last day of the exhibition.

39.2. Each affiliated body shall be deemed responsible for all prizes or the monetary value thereof offered for competition at its exhibitions.

## 40. Perpetual Trophies

40.1. No new prizes for which more than one (1) win is required shall be accepted by any affiliated body without the permission of the P.C.T.

## 41. Catalogues

41.1. The name of the exhibitor, the pedigree name of the exhibit, registration number, date of birth, breeder, sire, dam, must be published in the catalogue of every show, except in the case of unpedigreed cats, where only the owner's name, name of the exhibit, sex, and date of birth (if known) shall be included. No obligation is placed on Show Secretaries to correct any entry which is per se incorrect or ineligible.

41.2. The Secretary of the Show shall forward to the P.C.T. within ten (10) days of the closing of the exhibition, an official catalogue containing a full and correct list of all entries, and with all the awards and absentees correctly marked therein.

41.3. A reasonable number of catalogues must be made available to the public at all exhibitions mentioned in these Rules.

## 42. Advertising

42.1. At any exhibition held under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. exhibitors may, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, be permitted, at the discretion of the body holding the exhibition, to display advertising material. the display must be executed attractively, not in hand-writing, and shall be



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removed promptly if deemed by the Secretary of the body holding the exhibition to be misleading, contrary to the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T., or otherwise undesirable. It shall not go beyond the following:

- (a) At shows, a space not exceeding 60cm wide by 30cm deep on top of the cage, and at other fixtures, such space as allotted;
- (b) The name, address, and telephone number of the cattery or exhibitor or both;
- (c) The name of the exhibit;
- (d) A stud card stating the name of the exhibit, pedigree and stud fee;
- (e) Suitable words offering cats and/or kittens for sale, but not actually naming any cat or kitten which is not exhibited, and not quoting any prices;
- (f) A photograph of the cat exhibited;
- (g) General decorative material other than announcements;
- (h) A statement of wins at other fixtures and prize cards or ribbons won at other fixtures shall not be permitted;
- (i) No such display or advertising shall be displayed until judging has finally been completed;
- (j) No charge or requirement may be made by any club for cage advertising;
- (k) Notwithstanding Rule 42.1 (i), any donor of a cage may have a plaque no larger than 7.5cm by 2.5cm affixed to the top of that cage carrying only the following wording: "This cage donated by {person's name}", or such wording as approved by the Committee of the P.C.T.

42.2. No cat may be advertised at stud unless he is a proven sire.

## 43. Responsibility of Show Managers

43.1. Show Managers are responsible to the P.C.T. for running shows in a creditable manner according to the spirit of P.C.T. Rules and Regulations.

43.2. Show Managers are responsible to the P.C.T. for conducting shows as defined in the Show Secretary's Guide.

43.3. Show Managers are entirely responsible that no cat shall be benched or remain within any area connected with the functioning of the show, if it has not been inspected by the veterinary surgeon, or if the veterinary surgeon has recommended it for rejection because of an infectious or contagious disease.

43.4. Show Managers will ensure that the veterinary surgeon officiating is conversant with the Veterinary Rules 28.1 to 28.12.

43.5. Show Managers must report in writing all cases of rejection by the veterinary inspection to the P.C.T. together with the veterinary surgeon's report, within forty-eight (48) hours.

43.6. Show Managers shall be responsible for the deletion of absentees from judge's books prior to the commencement of judging.

43.7. Show Managers will ensure that in the case of exhibitors acting as veterinary stewards, their cats shall be vetted first.

43.8. Show Managers will ensure that no prominent sand trays or marked cat baskets, etc., are visible whilst judging is in progress, and shall be responsible for their removal.

43.9. Show Managers shall be responsible for the placing of suitable notices on cat cages where exhibits are found to be hard to handle by the judge.



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43.10. Show Managers shall order the removal of any cat which appears to be seriously ill. Whenever an order is made the circumstances shall be reported in writing to the P.C.T. without delay.

43.11. Show Managers must ensure that cats are judged by the main judge before being handled by a Cadet Judge performing a judging assignment.

43.12. Show Managers must ensure that judge's books have been inspected by the P.C.T. Representative prior to the commencement of judging.

## 44. Duties of The P.C.T. Representative

44.1. To act as an observer of the manner in which the show is conducted and report thereon to the P.C.T.

44.2. To ensure before judging commences that all exhibits are benched in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.

44.3. To ensure that judge's books are prepared in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.

44.4. To be responsible for collecting judge's slips and marked catalogues and dispatching these to the P.C.T.

44.5. To take details of any complaints or protests and report thereon to the P.C.T.

44.6. To interpret the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. where possible and advise the P.C.T. of any cases where a Rule may be ambiguous or contradictory.

44.7. To prepare the standard report for presentation to the P.C.T.

44.8. To not interfere with the running of the show but to tactfully bring to the notice of the Show Manager any infringements of the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T.

44.9. Where a club is confronted with a matter of P.C.T. policy, P.C.T. Representatives are authorised to advise the club if necessary.

## 45. Liability

45.1. Anybody holding an exhibition under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. shall not be responsible for any incident that may be caused through or by any exhibit, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the body harmless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising from such incident.

45.2. Anybody holding an exhibition under the Rules and Regulations of the P.C.T. shall not under any circumstances hold itself responsible for any loss or mis delivery of exhibits at the exhibition or of damage thereto.