



GENERAL RULES GOVERNING CATZ Inc. SHOWS

1. All ENTRIES must be made on the OFFICIAL Show Entry Form provided with the Show Schedule. (Show Rule 3a)
2. An **Entry Confirmation** shall be sent to exhibitors listing all entries duly entered into the Show. If you DO NOT receive an Entry Confirmation within ten days of the closing date, CONTACT the Entry Clerk to confirm whether your cat has been entered or not, prior to the Show.
3. **All EXHIBITS will be automatically entered in ALL rings.** Exhibitors shall retain the right to withhold a cat from any ring on the day of the show, but MUST inform the Ring Clerk of this decision prior to the judging of the respective section. (Show Rule 3k)
4. There are no **side classes**. A CATZ Inc. **Benching Fee of \$5.00 PER OWNER/EXHIBITOR**, payable ONLY ON THE FIRST ENTRY ONLY IN THE FIRST RING. (NOTE: You are not charged more than ONCE, regardless of the number of entries OR the number of rings, BUT cats registered to more than one owner attract a multiple fee.) NOTE: That a person having multiple ownership with other owners only pays once per Show.
5. Cats not registered with CATZ Inc, but registered with another Cat Registry, MAY be entered in CATZ Inc. Shows provided that a copy of the exhibits **CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION**, issued by the Registry in which the cat is registered is provided **with** the entry form AS WELL AS **A COPY of the exhibits FOUR GENERATION PEDIGREE**, which includes Great, Great, Grandparents. (Show Rule 4a)
6. Wins by Cats registered only with another Registry will **NOT count toward CATZ Inc. TITLES or National Awards** UNLESS the cat is duly registered with CATZ Inc. **within 21 days** of the show where such wins were made. (Show Rule 4b)
7. Owners **who have applied for Registration to CATZ Inc**, MAY enter their cats or kittens WITHOUT registration numbers BUT may ONLY SHOW on the day by providing CATZ Inc. Registration numbers to the Master Clerk before the start of the show. (Show Rule 4c)
8. **ALL exhibits must be a minimum of 14 weeks of age on the day of the show** to be eligible for entry. Kittens must 12 weeks of age to be on "DISPLAY", "FOR SALE" or "EXHIBITION ONLY".
9. ALL exhibits must have had a **minimum of one triple vaccination** for Calicivirus, Rhinotracheitis & Panleukopenia. Such vaccines must have been administered at least 10 days before the Show. Proof of vaccination shall be required for all KITTENS in attendance at the show venue. (Show Rule 4f).
10. **ALL "FOR SALE" or "EXHIBITION ONLY" cats and kittens** brought to the venue during the show weekend shall be subject to the same entry requirements regarding age and vaccination.
11. Breeds and Colours or Patterns, which are not recognized or eligible for Championship within CATZ Inc, or cats which are registered as AOV, AOC may compete ONLY in the **New Breed and Colour** Show Category (Show Rule 4k)
12. If an exhibit is entered in the wrong colour class (WCC), or is, in the opinion of the judge, not the colour or pattern listed in the judges book, the judge may request permission of the owner/agent to transfer the exhibit to the appropriate class if such has not yet been judged. If permission is granted, the judge may transfer the exhibit and judge it accordingly. If permission is not given, then the judge shall withhold all awards, and mark the judge's book with what he/she considers the exhibit to be. However, where the exhibit IS transferred, it shall be the responsibility of the owner/exhibitor to complete a TRANSFER REQUEST FORM obtained from the Master Clerk and to advise the ring clerks in all remaining rings of the transfer.(from Show Rule 10 o, i)
13. **All Companion Cats, Companion Kittens and Pedigree or Part/Pedigree Pets (Household Pets)** over six months of age on the day of the Show MUST BE EITHER **NEUTERED OR SPAYED**. Any exhibit in breach of this rule shall be disqualified and all awards withdrawn.(Show Rule 4k)
14. **All Domestic/Companion Cats/Household Pet Cats** wishing to retain points towards Companionship Titles and CATZ Inc. National Awards **must be registered with CATZ Inc, within 21 days of the show** in which such points were awarded. (Show Rule 4m)
15. **BREED VARIANTS are NOW eligible for competition.** Whether a cat is considered to be a breed variant shall be determined by the CATZ Inc. Central Registry, according to the Registration Rules of CATZ Inc. If you are unsure whether your cat qualifies for entry, contact an ENTRY CLERK.

BENCHING & VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS

16. ALL exhibits must be brought to shows in carry boxes or cages of adequate size to allow for the reasonable comfort of the cat in transit. (Show Rule 6a)
17. Exhibitors with Bona Fide handicaps or exhibitors with mobility-assisting devices may request end of row benching on their entry forms when entering an exhibit in a show. Such exhibitors shall be responsible for making their special needs known to the entry clerk. (Show Rule 6d).
18. **NOTE: An exhibitors entries shall be benched NEXT TO EACH OTHER.** You may request to be benched with a friend or associated breed. Mark the appropriate request on the Entry Form and the Entry Clerk will endeavour to place you as requested.
19. **CAGES** shall be supplied to CATZ Inc. specifications and available to hire for a nominal fee. Cages will also be available to purchase for personal use and to bring to future shows.
20. **Benching cages may be decorated**, with curtains or suitable material to separate each cage from its next door neighbour. This may include the top and three sides of the cage but the front where the door is, must not be covered, thereby allowing the viewing public an opportunity to see the cat or cats inside. (Show Rule 6e). All cages are constructed of open wire on all sides.
21. Exhibitors may place Cattery advertising and Business Cards or photos on the top of benching cages or small signs, but NO ITEM over 500mm in height. The Show Manager has discretionary authority to remove or request the removal of any object. (6f)
22. Exhibitors may also hire GROOMING space, equivalent to ONE or TWO benching cages for a nominal fee. The Show Manager shall reserve the right to LIMIT the availability of grooming spaces allocated.
23. All benched entries must remain in the show hall until the advertised closing time.
24. ALL exhibits must be accompanied by their owners, or appointed agent. (Show Rule 7a)
25. ALL exhibits MUST have both front and rear claws clipped. (Show Rule 7b)
26. ALL exhibits shall be free of parasites. (Show Rule 7c)
27. ALL vetting at CATZ Inc. Shows shall be "in-cage" after benching, but the officiating veterinarian has full discretion to examine any exhibit before judging and examine any exhibit objected to for illness or improper preparation. (Show Rule 7h)
28. Any exhibit that has been rejected by the officiating veterinarian, shall immediately be taken from the show venue and may not be returned to it. Other exhibits owned by the exhibitor may be debarred from the Show, as the veterinarian directs and that decision shall be final. (Show Rule 7n)
29. No exhibit shall have an identifying tag or attachment. However an exhibit MAY have a security tattoo, provided that it is in an area not obvious to the onlooker. Exhibits may also be micro-chipped and judges shall make allowance for this. (Show Rule 7p)

JUDGING, COMPETITIVE TITLES & CLAIMS

30. It is the responsibility of the owner/exhibitor or their appointed agent to ensure that the CORRECT exhibit is brought into the judging ring in a TIMELY MANNER. Judges, or their Ring Clerks, will arrange for a second call, after which the judge has full discretion to mark an exhibit as ABSENT.(Show Rule 10c)
31. Only judges may handle the exhibits once they are brought into the Judging Ring. However, a judge may give permission, or request an owner/agent to handle an exhibit between the holding cage and the judges table if the judge has reason to believe that the exhibit may be difficult to remove from the holding cage without risk. (Show Rule 10f,i).
32. If a Judge or Ring Clerk, turns down the exhibit number from the block on top of the judging cage, this shall indicate that the owner/agent may now remove the exhibit from the ring.
33. In the rare instance of a conflict in the judging schedule, where an exhibit is required in more than one ring, CLASS or BREED judging shall take precedence over FINALS.
34. The following Competitive Titles are available to eligible exhibits:
 - Championship:** Champion, Grand Champion, Double Grand Champion.
Bronze Koru Db.Gr.Ch, Silver Koru.Db.Gr.Ch.,Gold Koru Db.Gr.Ch. & Supreme Double Grand Champion.
 - Premiership:** Premier, Grand Premier, Double Grand Premier,
Bronze Koru Db.Gr.Pr, Silver Koru Db.Gr.Pr, Gold Koru Db.Gr.Pr. & Supreme Double Grand Premier.
 - Companionship:** Companion, Grand Companion, Double Grand Companion,
Bronze Koru Db.Gr.Co, Silver Koru Db.Gr.Co, Gold Koru Db.Gr.Co. & Supreme Double Grand Companion.
 - Kittens & NBCs** No titles, but qualifying exhibits shall receive National Awards.

A table for assisting exhibitors to calculate their cats points shall be printed in the Show Catalogue. Exhibitors who consider that their cat may have qualified for a title are encouraged to lodge a "**Titles Claim Form**" with the appropriate \$5 fee, with the Master Clerk on the day of the Show, or by mail to the Central Registry. Forms shall be available throughout the Show at the Master Clerk's desk and one shall be printed in the Show Catalogue. Titles are not automatic and will NOT be confirmed without such a claim having been made as the points gained by an exhibit must be officially verified. Exhibits which do qualify shall receive a Title Certificate by mail from the NATIONAL SCORER and may be listed on the CATZ Inc. website.

36. In addition to Competitive Titles, a CATZ Inc **Breeders Award of Excellence** (Pedigree Cats) or a CATZ Inc. **Merit Award** (Companion Cats) may be awarded at the discretion of the judge in the appropriate Show Category. These will be announced by the Judge but mailed to Exhibitors from the Central Registry after the Show has been scored.

37. FINALS: The following finals shall be available in each SHOW CATEGORY in EACH RING:
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| TOP TEN ENTIRE CATS | - Either ALL-BREED or SPECIALTY |
| TOP TEN ENTIRE KITTENS | - Either ALL-BREED or SPECIALTY |
| TOP TEN PREMIERSHIP CATS | - Either ALL-BREED or SPECIALTY |
| TOP FIVE DESEXED KITTENS | - Either ALL-BREED or SPECIALTY |
| TOP FIVE NBC CATS & KITTENS | - Either ALL-BREED or SPECIALTY |
| TOP TEN HOUSEHOLD PETS (PED/PART PED) | - Either ALL BREED or SPECIALTY |
| TOP TEN COMPANIONSHIP EXHIBITS | - Either ALL-BREED or SPECIALTY |
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