

# The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.®

## REVISED SHOW RULES ADDENDUM

May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019

A vertical line (|) to the left of a rule indicates the additional text added. A double vertical line (||) to the left of a rule denotes a deletion.

**2.03** BAY Check-In involves the verification by attendance at the close of check-in that all cats of a particular color-class within all categories of a breed (i.e., kittens, championship, and premiership combined) are present for judging and possess no obvious characteristics that would warrant them not being showable, e.g. out of condition, color not recognized for competition, obvious illness. This process may be implemented at shows in China where a color class has more entries than the total number of judging cages to be used in the smallest judging ring at that show (12 or 16). Cats required to participate in this check-in are not eligible for late arrival and once marked absent, will be considered absent for the duration of the entire show, including both days of a two day show. For example, if color class 2500/2501, solid color British Shorthairs has seven kittens, nine championship, and one premiership cat entered with the smallest ring comprising 16 cages, that color class would qualify for bay check-in as the total number entered in that color class is 17.

### **10.22** Absentees and Transfers.

b. At the conclusion of the advertised hour for check-in and before judging begins, all cats of each color class subject to bay check-in may be required to present themselves to the judging rings (starting with the lowest kitten number thru highest, then lowest championship number thru highest, then lowest premiership number thru highest) starting with ring 1 and going thru the number of rings required to include all cats entered in that color-class. The International Division Chairman for China, shall be notified by the China entry clerk when a show has sufficient entries in a color class to warrant bay check-in. That Chairman will then determine if that show will be subject to the bay check-in process, and if so, which of the contracted judges will perform the procedure. The selected judge will then mark the absentee/transfer list MAb (Mandatorily Absent) for any cat/kitten not present in the numbered judging cage, or for any cat/kitten that is obviously out of condition, is ill, is of a color not showable in regular or AOV competition, or may otherwise be disqualified per show rule 11.23. That cat will be considered

absent in all rings to be held at that show, regardless of which day the color class for that category is judged. If more than one color class meets the requirement for bay check-in, they will be called up to the rings in breed/color class order as listed in the catalog.

### **AWARDS**

The awards presented each year are:

#### **National Awards**

**National Award Area Definition:** for the purposes of season end awards, the National Awards are divided into three geographical areas as follows:

Cats/Kittens/HHPs residing in Regions 1 through 9

Cats/Kittens/HHPs residing in China (this does not include those cats residing in the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau).

Cats/Kittens/HHPs residing in the International national award area (including those cats/kittens residing in the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau).

Awards/Titles for each of the above areas will be Best up to 25th Best Championship, Kitten, Premiership, and Household Pet\*

To obtain any national award and its associated title (National Winner - NW or Household Pet National Winner - HNW), the cat/kitten/HHP must earn a minimum number of points over the duration of the show season in the category to which the award will be earned. Those minimums are as follows:

- for championship cats, the cat must earn a minimum of 4,300 points; for kittens, the kitten must earn a minimum of 1,500 points; for premiership, the cat must earn a minimum of 2,200 points, for Household Pets, the cat/kitten must earn a minimum of 1,100 points. Cats failing to meet these minimums are not eligible for any national award or title. The Board will review these minimums for potential adjustment for the next show season and the results of that review will be posted on the CFA website by the first of May.