



FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE FELINE – FIFe

Summary of changes per 01.01.2016

New full Member and new patronage Member (effective 28.05.2015)

Felis Moldova (MD) has been accepted as the 43rd Member of FIFe and China Cat Union (CN) as a new FIFe patronage member under mentorship of ČSCH (CZ).

Full recognition of the breed LaPerm (effective 01.10.2015)

The LaPerm is fully recognised in longhair and shorthair (LPL/LPS) and will be judged at shows in 11 groups (→ modified LPL/LPS Standard) in category II. They can be entered in the official show classes 1 – 12 and consequently, they can obtain certificates towards all championship/premiership titles. They can also be nominated for Best in Show, obtain a Best in Show title and qualify for the World Show and Winner Shows.

Preliminary recognition of British Longhair

The British Longhair (BLH) is preliminary recognised in the same varieties as British Shorthair and will be judged at shows in category III. They can be entered in the show classes 7 – 12. Consequently, they can obtain certificates for Champion/Premier and International Champion/Premier (CAC, CAP, CACIB, CAPIB). They can receive Best in Variety, but not be nominated for Best in Show, obtain a Best in Show title or qualify for the World Show or Winner Shows.

EMS code “BSH” for British Shorthair

The EMS code for British Shorthair is changed to “BSH”.

Seychellois Longhair / Shorthair now considered as bicolour varieties of Siamese / Balinese

The Seychellois Longhair resp. Shorthair are considered now as varieties of Balinese resp. Siamese.

Changes in the Standards of Abyssinian, Somali and European

Modifications have been accepted in the Standard of the ABY/SOM, as well as in the Scale of Points of these breeds and of the EUR.

Changes in the eye colour descriptions for Bengals

Modifications have been accepted in the Standard of the BEN with regard to the description of the eye colours for BEN n 22/24 31/32.

Breeding and registration conditions

All cats registered in a FIFe Pedigree book can be used for breeding unless restricted by the Breeding & Registration Rules or by national rules with regard to health issues. No further stricter breeding or registration limitations can be imposed. It is not permitted to consider cats not allowed for breeding, nor to enter them in (or downgrade them to) the RIEX register of the Pedigree book, based on the sole fact that they have not obtained whichever qualification at shows.

Providing stud services

No stud owned by a FIFe Member's individual member may be used for matings which will result in unregistered kittens.

Registration of novices

The procedure for novices (cats whose parents are unknown or cats without pedigree) to achieve registration in the target breed is simplified. Before novices can be used in a breeding programme or be entered for shows, they must be registered in the RIEX register of the Pedigree book.

Deadline for sending information and documentation concerning proposals for recognition

The necessary information and documentation with regard to the recognition of new breeds or new varieties must be sent by the relevant Breed Council on a regular basis to the commissions, and must be received no later than the 1st of January in order to enable the commissions to compose and forward the proposal for recognition to the FIFe General Assembly of the same year.

Titles for preliminary recognised breeds

At least 15 cats must have the title PIC/PIP registered before full recognition of the breed can be proposed.

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New category division at shows / Voting during Best in Show

The new division of breeds in 4 categories at shows (→ Show Rules, page 34), as decided by the FIFe General Assembly 2013, comes into effect. Judges not qualified for all the breeds presented in a Best in Show panel in a category shall abstain from voting (GA 2014 decision).

Distance between shows

FIFe Members are responsible to check if the minimum required distance (400 km) between shows organised by different FIFe Members is observed before sending a request for a license to organise a show with a fixed place.

Only shows giving a fixed date, a fixed place and its postal code are protected by the 400 km rule.

Rules for Winner Shows and 4 new Winner shows / titles

The rules for Winner Shows have been modified and 4 new Winner Shows, as well as their titles, have been created: American Winner, Baltic Winner, Mediterranean Winner and North Sea Winner. Winner Shows may be organised in the period from February up to and including June.

The qualifications for the Winner Shows are the same as for the World Show, which means that house cats with the title Distinguished Show Merit (DSM) are now also automatically qualified for Winner Shows.

Certificates awarded at the World Show and Winner shows

Certificates awarded at the World Show and Winner Shows are considered as obtained in any foreign country.

Correspondence with judges officiating at shows

Show organisers shall send all correspondence with regard to invitations, hotels and transfers to the officiating judge's (email) address which appears on the official FIFe judges list.

Showing cats imported from other organisations

Cats imported from other organisations may only be entered for shows in a higher class than class 9 after they have been registered in the Pedigree book of the FIFe Member to which the owner belongs.

Novices (class 13a) and cats resulting from cross-breeding (class 13b)

Novices (class 13a) and cats resulting from cross-breeding (class 13b) shall be entered for shows as XLH/XSH * followed by the EMS code of the target breed between brackets. Classes 13a and 13b may be judged before the official judging starts. After having obtained the necessary qualification in class 13a resp. 13b, the cat may be shown in the target breed. Show organisers may permit this at the same show where the qualification was obtained before the official judging started.

Determination class (class 13c) / Transfer of an exhibit during judging

Judges cannot transfer an exhibit from one breed to another breed, except to a sister breed or in case of an administrative error which must be established by the show secretariat.

Breed Best in Show: in any category, may include sister breeds and cats listed in catalogue decisive

Breed BIS may be organised in any category (GA 2014 decision). Any sister breed may be included for a Breed BIS. In order to fulfil the applicable number requirements, the number of cats listed in the catalogue in classes 1 – 12 shall be decisive.

Disciplinary actions regarding student judges

FIFe Members are empowered to apply disciplinary measures or suspend a student judge on either a temporary or permanent basis.

Judges seminars organised by FIFe Members

In case initially expected breeds are not present at a seminar, the organising FIFe Member is obliged to inform the enrolled student judges immediately.

FIFe forms version 2016

The official FIFe forms version 2016 will be made available for downloading on the FIFe website. We kindly ask to only use the 2016 versions of the various forms and not any outdated version.

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