

REGISTRATION RULES

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The Registration Rules and Show Rules takes precedence over any individual Breed Standard UNLESS that Standard is MORE restrictive, in which case the Standard shall take precedence.

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Definitions

Cat

Any domestic cat regardless of age and/or gender with exception of non-domestic felines.

Breed

A specific group of cats that have the same (genetic) characteristics in common as described in the standard.

Breeder

The registered owner or lessee of the dam of said cat at the time of the breeding.

Breed Group

Two or more breeds which share a common standard but differ from one another. For example, longhair versus shorthair, Folded ears versus straight ears etc.

EMS

Easy Mind System (EMS) is a system used to identify cats by codes.

The code for a specific color, pattern or other trait is always the same, no matter the breed.

FFAP

Genotype

Genetically determined color and/or pattern.

Phenotype

Physically appearance of the cat

RIEX

Registre Initial Et Experimental (RIEX). Registration of the first 3 generations of an outcross combination.

RO

Registration Office

Structural mutation

A different expression from the average domestic cat of the skeletal and/or cartilage such like shortened legs, folded ears, shortened or absent tail etc.

The association or LCWW

Referring to Loving Cat World Wide.



1. Registrations

- 1.1. The association shall maintain a data base of all cats which qualify for registration as described in these rules.
- 1.2. Cats in the Register should be of a breed, pattern and color listed in the LCWW Standard.
- 1.3. The registers contain (at least) the registered name of the cat, the (registered) cattery name of the breeder, the LCWW registration number of the cat, the breed, pattern and color of the cat (and any other relevant features), the birthdate of the cat, the gender of the cat, the name of the breeder and the name of the owner.
- 1.4. The LCWW registration code is built of 3 parts and always starts with LC, followed by the EMS code of the cat (part 1), followed by de DOB (part 2) and a follow number consisting of three digits (part 3).
- 1.5. A breed may be accepted for championship competition from another cat association. Approval of the FFAP is required.
- 1.6. The cats marked as RIEX will be defined with a code behind the breed LCWW registration number to avoid potential confusion.
- 1.7. Breeds will be divided into four groups, Championship, Pre-Championship, Non-Championship and Registration Only.
- 1.8. Breeds that fall in the group Pre-Championship can be shown in the Pre-Championship class.
- 1.9. Breeds that fall in the group Non-Championship can be shown in the Non-Championship class.
- 1.10. Breeds that are Registration Only can't be shown.
- 1.11.Any new trait or traits of a Championship Breed, not recognized for competition in the Kitten, Junior, Adult Cat or Alter class of that breed, that is not a structural mutation may be shown in Pre-Championship class.
- 1.12.A cat's name, including cattery names and the word "of" (before a suffix) may not exceed 35 characters (including spaces). If the name of the cat is longer than 35 characters, the suffix will be automatically dropped. The name of the cat must not contain any special characters (&, ', #, ö, é, etc.). The owner's name, address, and city are not allowed in the name of the cat unless they are part of a LCWW registered cattery

2. Outcross / RIEX

- 2.1. Registration of the first 3 generations of a <u>permissible outcross</u> combination will be registered as RIEX.
 - 2.1.1. RX1 First generation permissible outcross marked with #X behind the LCWW registration code. In order to register offspring, the cat needs to be shown at least once in Championship Class.

 With exemption of SF and SFL.
 - 2.1.2. RX2 Second generation permissible outcross marked with #X behind the LCWW registration code. In order to register offspring, the cat needs to be shown at least once in Championship Class.
 - 2.1.3. RX3 Third generation permissible outcross marked with #X behind the LCWW registration code. In order to register offspring, the cat needs to be shown at least once in Championship Class.
- 2.2. Registration of the first 3 generations of a <u>non-permissible</u> outcross combination will be registered as RIEX.
 - 2.2.1. RX1 First generation Non-permissible outcross marked with #X behind the LCWW registration code. In order to register offspring, the cat needs to be shown at least once in Pre-Championship Class.



- 2.2.2. RX2 Second generation non-permissible outcross marked with #X behind the LCWW registration code. In order to register offspring, the cat needs to be shown at least once in Pre-Championship Class.
- 2.2.3. RX3 Third generation non-permissible outcross marked with #X behind the LCWW registration code. In order to register offspring, the cat needs to be shown at least once in Championship Class.
- 2.3. Registration of a non-permissible (outside the breed group) or experimental outcross combination will be registered as RIEX. The codes below define what registration status they have.
 - 2.3.1. C Eligible for Show in Championship class
 - 2.3.2. PC Eligible to show in Pre-Championship class
 - 2.3.3. NC- Eligible to show in Non-Championship class
 - 2.3.4. H Hybrid (Not eligible for Show)
 - 2.3.5. RO-Registration Only (Not eligible for Show)
 - 2.3.6. EB Experimental Breed (Eligible to show in Non-Championship class)
- 2.4. Experimental Outcross (EO) needs to be registered prior to registering offspring.
- 2.5. Experimental Breed is a Breed in development. The code EB will define the status.

3. Recognition of new breeds/Traits

- 3.1. Experimental New Breed
 - 3.1.1. A proposal must be sent into the Registration Office.

This must include:

- A proposed Breed name that is unique;
- A proposed unique breed code conform EMS
- a breed standard;
- Breed description and history;
- Records need to be provided of Registrations, Litters
- After completion of all the required documentation the RO will make a decision if the new breed is eligible for registration as a new breed.
- 3.1.2. Experimental breeds are eligible to show in NON-Championship Class.
- 3.2. Advancement Experimental breed to Approved Breed (Pré-Championship Class)
 - 3.2.1. To advance an Experimental Breed to an Approved Breed, a proposal must be sent to the Registration Office with all required records. After completion of all required documents the RO will forward the proposal to the FFAP who then will make a formal decision.
 - 3.2.2. Requirements for advancement to Pré-Championship
 - (Updated) Breed standard
 - 25 registrations of adult cats;
 - 10 litters must be registered;
 - At least 5 active breeders in 2 different regions;
 - 10 unique cats shown in NON-Championship;
- 3.3. Advancement Approved Breed to Championship Class
 - 3.3.1. To advance an Approved Breed to Championship Status, a proposal must be sent to the Registration Office with all required records. After completion of all required documents the RO will forward the proposal to the FFAP who then will make a formal decision.
 - 3.3.2. Requirements for advancement to Championship
 - (Updated) Breed standard
 - 100 registrations of adult cats;
 - 20 litters must be registered;



- At least 10 active breeders in 3 different regions;
- 25 unique cats shown in Pré-Championship.

3.4. New Traits

- 3.4.1. Any new trait of a Championship Breed that is not a Structural Mutation can be shown in Pré-Championship class. After completion of all required documents the RO will forward the proposal to the FFAP who then will make a formal decision.
- 3.4.2. Requirements for Championship Status:
 - At least 10 unique cats with the new trait have been shown
 - 10/50 cats with the new trait must be registered.

4. Gender

- 4.1. Each cat registered by LCWW will be assigned a gender code as follows;
 - M = Male (fertile)
 - N = Neuter (sterile male)
 - F = Female (fertile)
 - S = Spay (sterile female)
- 4.2. No offspring from a cat which has an N or S gender code will be accepted for registration without a request to the Registration Office explaining the circumstances and subsequent approval to permit transfer of the cat to an M or F classification.
- 4.3. A cat which has been registered as a fertile cat and has been altered or found to be sterile will be changed (free of charge) to alter (N or S) in LCWW records after request. A new registration certificate will not be issued automatically. If a new registration certificate is wanted there will be a charge for it conform current price list.
- 4.4. A fertile cat which which has been sold with an alter agreement may be registered as an alter (N or S) on request of the breeder/seller.

5. Colors and color codes

- 5.1. The list and definition of colors accepted by LCWW may be found in the "Genetics of Colors and Patterns".
- 5.2. A cat can only be registered according to its genetically determined color and/or pattern.
- 5.3. When there is a difference between the genotype and the phenotype, registration is to be based on genotype.
- 5.4. Regardless of the color designated in the registration, a cat may be shown in the color of the phenotype.
- 5.5. If the cat has a color that is not recognized within the breed (group) it will be registered and can be shown in Pre-Championship class only upon recognition.

6. Cattery name

- 6.1. Cattery names will be permanently registered after a written application and a payment of the required fee.
- 6.2. A cattery name, letters, characters combined, may not exceed fifteen letters. Cattery names must differ by two letters.
- 6.3. A cattery name may not duplicate the name of an accepted breed.
- 6.4. Cattery names may not contain the word "Cattery".
- 6.5. A breeder's registered cattery name is to be used as a prefix.
- 6.6. A registered cattery name may be added as a suffix (preceded by " of ") when this is possible.
- 6.7. A cat's name may include only one cattery name as a prefix and one cattery name as a suffix.
- 6.8. Once added, a cattery name suffix cannot be dropped or changed without filing the request and a payment of the required fee.



6.9. Registered cattery names can only be transferred upon surrender of the registration certificate, a written assignment of the transfer of ownership and payment of the required transfer fee.

7. Litter Registration

- 7.1. A litter of kittens can be registered when the dam of the litter is registered with LCWW.
- 7.2. When the sire of the litter is not registered with LCWW a copy of his certified pedigree must be send to the Registration Office.
- 7.3. In the case of a Stud service an approval of the Sire's owner (Stud- or Mating agreement) must be send to te Registration office.
- 7.4. The registration Office shall issue a Litter Registration Certificate With the following information:
 - Registration number of the litter
 - Names and Registration numbers of the parents
 - DOB of the litter
 - Number of living kittens in the litter
 - Name of the Breeder
 - -Kitten name, Sex, Registration number, Breed, Color
 - 7.4.1. A Kitten can be registered without a name. It will get a normal registration number. The name will be a code (Litter Registration Number/Cat Registration number).
 - 7.4.2. On request of the breeder, the name can be added on a later moment.
- 7.5. In the case that a litter has more than one sire, a separate application should be submitted for each sire. Plus a statement from the breeder should be send to the Registration Office that the litter has more than one sire.

8. Non-domestic Felines

- 8.1. Non-domestic felines shall be permitted for Registration Only.
- 8.2. Offspring of hybrid crosses between domestic and non-domestic felines will be accepted for registration only.
- 8.3. When the non-domestic ancestor is no longer present in a three-generation pedigree, both sexes of such cats are fertile when bred to domestic cats they may (approved by the FFAP) to be shown in the appropriate class for the breed.
- 8.4. The breed code would is EOH

9. General registration rules

- 9.1. The names of cats may not be changed after they have been registered, except:
 - 9.1.1. Correction of clerical error at the Registration Office
 - 9.1.2. Addition of a suffix
 - 9.1.3. Re-registration as a Household Pet
 - 9.1.4. A name change may be requested within 30 days from the date of issue of the initial Registration Certificate. A fee will be appliable. The name change will be approved if there has been no previous transactions recorded for the cat by the Registration Office (Show wins, lease agreement or any other transaction processed in the original name of the cat
- 9.2. Names of cats and catteries may not be duplicated.
- 9.3. It may be necessary to return the application if the chosen name is not acceptable.
- 9.4. In special circumstances (death, repossession etc.) application with documentation will be considered on an individual base by the Registration Office.
- 9.5. If a registration certificate from another registry does not say that breeding is allowed or disallowed, LCWW will not restrict the use of the cat in a breeding program.



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