

## GCCFV SHOW RULES (Abbreviated)

- All Cats & Kittens over 5 months old, including Companion Pets, must be individually registered with a recognised Control Body **before the closing date for entries.** (*With exception of Group 4 cats on 2–show trial.*)
- All Kittens must be litter-registered and be at least **12 WEEKS** old on the day of the show.
- Exhibitors must provide an F3 Vaccination Certificate for ALL EXHIBITS.** Kittens must have followed a recommended vaccination regime (*first vaccination at least 10 days prior to the show*) and all adults must have been vaccinated within the previous 2 YEARS. The 1<sup>st</sup> adult vaccination must be given as closely as possible to 12 months after the final kitten vaccination.
- All Companion Pets over 5 months old must be neutered
- Lactating Queens may not be shown.
- Queens that are more than 4 weeks, or obviously, pregnant may not be shown.
- All exhibits must have their nails clipped, clean coats, clean ears, no fleas, and no stitches.
- All exhibits must be inspected by the Veterinary Surgeon **prior to entering the hall.** Any exhibit showing signs of infectious or contagious disease or external parasites will be rejected.
- Any exhibit that is rejected by the Veterinary Surgeon for infectious or contagious disease must be removed from the venue immediately, along with all other cats that have travelled to the show with it. The opinion of the Veterinary Surgeon is final. Entry fees will not be refunded. The exhibitor must obtain a veterinary clearance before attending any further shows.
- After veterinary inspection, each cat must be placed in the correct cage. Exhibits over the age of 9 months are not permitted to share a cage until judging is completed, except at the discretion of the Show Manager. The exhibitor must provide curtains & a cushion or mat. These may be of any colour.
- Litter trays, water bowls, toys & covered hot water bottles may be left in cages.
- An exhibit may be disqualified if either it or its owner is identified to the Judge before judging is finished. No names or identification marks are allowed in or on cages.
- CATS THAT SHOW AGGRESSION WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DECLARED UNABLE TO BE HANDLED (UTH). THE CAT WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THREE MONTHS. ON A SECOND OFFENCE, IT WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR LIFE.**
- Cats that are unable to be safely carried to the table or sufficiently handled for judging may be declared UNABLE TO BE JUDGED (UTJ). No cumulative penalty applies.
- Any award may be withheld if the judge considers the exhibit has insufficient merit
- No powder, sprays or phenol may be used in the venue, or bleach on cages.
- All exhibits must travel to and from the venue in a suitable carry-box.
- Trophies, ribbons, prize cards etc placed on or under cages, during or after judging, are the responsibility of the exhibitor and will not be replaced.
- Exhibitors may provide their own cages, as long as they conform to GCCFV guidelines. Exhibitors providing their own cages will be eligible for free additional medium or double cage on one free for one provided basis
- Exhibitors may request medium, tall medium or double cages, on payment of the fee stated on the schedule and these will be provided by the show organisers,
- On completion of the show, exhibitors must fold their cages and stack them as directed, and remove all litter**
- Exhibitors are expected to behave with courtesy at all times and failure to do so may incur suspension from showing.**

### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Entries are accepted on the condition that the exhibitor:

- observes the rules and regulations of GCCFV and of the Club
- accepts as final the decisions of Judges and GCCFV
- acknowledges that the cats are entered at the exhibitor's own risk.** Whilst every care is taken, GCCFV and the Club shall not be held responsible for exhibits or personal property.
- does not exhibit a cat or kitten that has been exposed to any infectious or contagious disease within a period of 21 days prior to the show.**

The club conducting the show or GCCFV has the right to refuse any entry that contravenes these rules or any exhibitor who does not comply with the Rules of GCCFV or who is guilty of conduct unworthy of an exhibitor.

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## GROUPING OF BREEDS

Exhibits are judged according to ACF breed standard and divided into 4 groups, which are:

**Group 1:** Aphrodite (LH & SH), Birman, Exotic, Maine Coon, Norwegian Forest Cat, Persian, Ragdoll, Siberian & Turkish Van.

**Group 2:** Balinese, Foreign White, Foreign White Longhair, Oriental, Oriental Longhair, Peterbald & Siamese.

**Group 3:** Abyssinian, American Burmese, American Curl, American SH, Australian Mist, Bengal, Bombay, British SH, Burmese, Burmilla, (SH & LH), Cornish Rex, Cymric, Devon Rex, Egyptian Mau, Japanese Bobtail (SH & LH), Korat, LaPerm (SH & LH), Mandalay, Russian, Scottish (SH & LH), Scottish Fold (SH & LH), Selkirk Rex (SH & LH), Somali, Sphynx, Tonkinese, Manx, Ocicat, Pixiebob, Singapura & Snowshoe

**Group 4:** Companion Pets – Longhair, Shorthair

### MAIN CLASSES AND THEIR CODES

#### Group 1, 2 & 3 Adults

Title	Female	Male
Untitled	FO	MO
Champion	FC	MC
Grand Ch	FGC	MGC
Double Grand Ch	FDGC	MDGC
Silver Ch	FSilverC	MSilverC
Gold Ch	FGoldC	MGoldC
Opal Ch		OpalC
Sapphire Ch		SappC
Emerald Ch		EmlC
Ruby Ch		RubyC
Diamond Ch		DiamC
Platinum Ch		PlatC

#### Group 1, 2 & 3 Neuters

Title	Female	Male
Untitled	FN	MN
Premier Neuter	FPN	MPN
Grand PN	FGPN	MGPN
Double Grand PN	FDGPN	MDGPN
Silver PN	FSilverPN	MSilverPN
Gold PN	FGoldPN	MGoldPN
Opal PN		OpalPN
Sapphire PN		SappPN
Emerald PN		EmlPN
Ruby PN		RubyPN
Diamond PN		DiamPN
Platinum PN		PlatPN

#### Group 1, 2 & 3 Kittens

Age	Female	Male
Under 4 months	FK4	MK4
Under 5 months	FK5	MK5
Under 6 months	FK6	MK6
Under 7 months	FK7	MK7
Under 8 months	FK8	MK8
Under 9 months	FK9	MK9

#### Group 4 Companions

Title	Female	Male
Kitten	FK	MK
Untitled	F	M
Star	FS	MS
Grand Star	FG	MG
Double Grand Star	FDG	MDG
Silver Star	FSil	MSil
Gold Star	FGold	MGold
Opal Star	FOpal	MOpal
Sapphire Star	FSaph	MSaph
Emerald Star	FEml	MEml
Ruby Star	FRuby	MRuby
Diamond Star	FDiam	MDiam

Entries to be on GCCFV entry form with EMS code for breed, colours and pattern filled in

### STATUS CHANGES (Title changes)

You should notify the Returning Officer as soon as your cat qualifies for a new title. This **MUST** be done by the date on the schedule.

If you are unsure of anything, please contact the Returning Officer.