

2009 GCCFV SHOW RULES (Abbreviated)

Please note changes to vaccinations for ADULTS

- All Cats & Kittens over 5 months old, including Household Pets, must be individually registered with a recognised Control Body.
- Group 4 cats on 2 – show trial excepted.
- 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. Commencing in 2005 the 1st adult vaccination must be given as closely as possible to 12 months after the final kitten vaccination.**
- All Household 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 clearance, 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.
- On completion of the show, exhibitors must fold their cages and stack them as directed, and remove all litter.**
- All cages are 46cm high & deep, doubles are 92cm and mediums 61cm wide. Each exhibit is allotted a medium cage unless otherwise indicated on the show schedule.
- 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.

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.

GROUPING OF BREEDS

Exhibits are divided into 4 groups, which are:

Group 1: Persian, Exotic, Birman, Ragdoll, Norwegian Forest Cat, Turkish Van, Maine Coon & Siberian.

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

Group 3: Abyssinian, Somali, Burmese, Tonkinese, Burmilla, (SH & LH), Asian Self, Australian Mist, Singapura, Korat, Cornish Rex, Devon Rex, Sphinx, Russian, Japanese Bobtail (SH & LH), British, Selkirk Rex (SH & LH), Scottish Fold (SH & LH), Scottish (SH & LH), Manx, Cymric, Egyptian Mau, Ocicat, Bengal, & Munchkin.

Group 4: Companion Cats – Uncertified/Part Pedigree, Unknown Ancestry

MAIN CLASSES AND THEIR CODES

Group 1, 2 & 3 Adults

Title	Female	Male
Untitled	FO	MO
Champion	FC	MC
Grand Ch	FGC	MGC
Double Gd Ch	FDGC	MDGC
Silver Ch	FSilver	MSilver
Gold Ch	FGold	MGold

Group 1, 2 & 3 Neuters

Title	Female	Male
Untitled	FN	MN
Premier Neuter	FPN	MPN
Grand PN	FGPN	MGPN
Double Gd PN	FDGPN	MDGPN
Silver PN	FSilverPN	MSilverPN
Gold PN	FGoldPN	MGoldPN

Group 1, 2 & 3 Kittens

Age	Female	Male
Under 4 mths	FK4	MK4
Under 6 mths	FK6	MK6
Under 8 mths	FK8	MK8
Under 9 mths	FK9	MK9

Group 4 Kittens

Type	Female	Male
Kitten	FK	MK

Group 4 Neuters

Star	Male	Female
Untitled	M	F
Star	MS	FS
Grand	MG	FG
Double Gd	MDG	FDG
Silver	MSil	FSil
Gold	MGold	FGold
Opal	MOpal	FOpal
Sapphire	MSaph	FSaph
Emerald	MEmlid	FEmlid
Ruby	MRuby	FRuby
Diamond	MDiam	FDiam

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