



FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE FELINE – FIFe

Summary of changes per 01.01.2023

Used abbreviations: BRR = Breeding & Registration Rules / JR = Judges Rules / SR = Show Rules

Commission for Public Relations

A new commission is established: the Commission for Public Relations. [→ Statutes § 6.2.6, 6.3]

Simultaneous translations at General Assembly

No more simultaneous translations during the General Assembly [→ General Rules § 3.3.d]

Travel and accommodation costs for FIFe officials in connection with the General Assembly

If the representative/-s of a Member is also an official of FIFe, the travel and accommodation costs for the days of the General Assembly are to be split equally between both parties involved, the FIFe and the Member. [→ General Rules § 4.15]

New group division for Neva Masquerade (NEM)

The Neva Masquerade will be judged in 4 colour groups [→ Standard NEM]

Separation of tipped and tabby in silver/golden pointed varieties of British Longhair/Shorthair (BLH/BSH)

In BLH/BSH, silver/golden tipped pointed varieties must be registered as BLH/BSH * 11 33. Silver/golden tabby pointed varieties will remain to be registered as BLH/BSH * 21 33. [→ Standard BLH/BSH]

Preliminary recognition status for Bombay (BOM) and Lykoi (LYO)

The breeds Bombay and Lykoi have obtained preliminary recognition status. [→ Standard BOM / Standard LYO]

The use of the EMS eye colour code for non-pointed cats with blue eyes

The EMS code for eye colour must be used if the cat is non-pointed with blue eyes (61). [→ EMS list, page 8/9/10]

Kittens: new home and microchip

Kittens must not go to a new owner (home) before they are 14 weeks old and have been fully vaccinated. All kittens must be identified by microchip and the identifying code shall be documented in or on the pedigree. [→ BRR § 2.3.3]

Deletion of tattoo as identifying code

All breeding cats must be identified by microchip and the identifying code must be documented in or on the pedigree. [→ BRR § 3.4]

Pedigrees

A pedigree can be either a printout and/or a digital version of the pedigree book regarding an individual cat and its ancestry. [→ BRR § 4.1]

Pedigrees issued by a FIFe Member must show the FIFe logo and the name of the FIFe Member on the page where the details of the cat and the ancestors are listed. [→ BRR § 4.5]

Cattery names

A cattery name may be inherited or transferred during the lifetime of the owner, within the family or relatives, to a person who is a member of a FIFe Member.

After the death of the owner of a cattery name, it cannot be used for the next 20 years, unless it is transferred to a lawful heir who is a member of a FIFe Member. [→ BRR § 5.2.5]

A cattery name may be re-allocated if the owner of the cattery name died without the name being claimed by a lawful heir within 5 years. [→ BRR § 5.2.6]



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Requirements for Distinguished Merit title

To obtain the title “Distinguished Merit (DM)”, the required number of offspring to have obtained the titles IC/IP or higher, alternatively DSM, DVM, JW or DM, should be at least 5 for both a female and a male cat. Among the offspring of a male cat at least one of these titles or higher must have been achieved after 01.01.2023. [→ BRR § 5.3.2]

Permitted outcross for European (EUR)

In case of outcross, it is only permitted to use domestic shorthair cats from Europe. The domestic shorthair cats in question should be DNA tested (to rule out the longhair gene, the colour chocolate and the pointed gene) and be registered as XSH *. [→ BRR § 6.7]

Crossbreeding and re-registration

It is allowed to present cats of any generation resulting from an allowed crossbreeding in class 13b for re-registration. [→ BRR § 9.1.1]

Responsibility of the FIFe Member for its Student Judges

The FIFe Member shall inform the FIFe Secretariat of the termination of membership of its Student Judges. [→ JR § 2.1.2]

Attendance to Judges Seminars in connection with the General Assembly

Notifications of attendance can be sent up to 2 weeks before to the date of the seminar. A Certificate of Attendance will be issued by email within two weeks after the Seminar to each Judge and Student Judge who remained in attendance for the whole seminar. [→ JR § 2.2.1.a]

FIFe Judges list

FIFe Judges shall notify the FIFe Secretariat of any changes to their home address, telephone number and email address, as well as changes in their membership of FIFe Member, as soon as these occur. [→ JR § 3.1]

Participation of FIFe Judges at non-FIFe shows

The restriction to the number of times per year a FIFe Judge may officiate at non-FIFe shows in countries where a FIFe Member exists, has been lifted. [→ JR § 3.7]

Number of shows per week

The restriction to the number of shows, which may be organised per week has been lifted. [→ SR § 1.1.d]

Announcement of Winner Shows

Winner Shows must clearly appear in the official FIFe show calendar at least 1 year prior to their date. [→ SR § 2.6.2]

Central European Winner Show / Central European Winner title

New Winner Show: Central European Winner Show, organised in Austria, Czech Republic, Hungary or Slovakia. Corresponding new title: Central European Winner [→ SR § 2.6.6, BRR § 5.3.1]

Reimbursement of judges' expenses and judges' allowance

Judges officiating at a show are entitled to:

- an allowance, which is a compensation for lost time
- their preferred payment method for reimbursement, unless otherwise agreed with the show organiser
- payment of reimbursement or proof there-of at the latest on the last day of the show at which the judge officiates. [→ SR § 6.1.9]

Official FIFe forms version 2023

The 2023 versions of the official FIFe forms will be available for downloading on the FIFe website. Please only use the 2023 versions of the various forms and do not use any outdated versions.