

GCCF REGISTRATION POLICY FOR SNOWSHOE CATS



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In this document 'Snowshoe' shall describe all shorthaired cats as described below.

This policy shall exclude registration of all cats that are not Snowshoes or have not been bred as foundation stock for the Snowshoe breeding programme.

BREEDS PERMITTED IN THE PEDIGREES OF SNOWSHOES

A. SNOWSHOES

Snowshoes are recognised in the following colours seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, red, cream, apricot, cinnamon, caramel, fawn, seal tortie, blue tortie, chocolate tortie, lilac tortie, cinnamon tortie, caramel tortie and fawn tortie, as are tabby Snowshoes in all of the above colours.

B. SNOWSHOES OF UNRECOGNISED COLOURS AND SNOWSHOE VARIANTS

Colours which are not yet recognised at Preliminary level, but which are produced by a combination of the colour genes already recognised in Snowshoes are accepted in the pedigrees of Snowshoes.

Snowshoe Variants, the long haired offspring of Snowshoe matings; the long haired offspring of Snowshoe to Ragdolls matings; the short haired bi-coloured offspring of Snowshoe matings or those short haired pointed offspring with no white markings, are all acceptable in the pedigrees of Snowshoes.

C. SIAMESE

Siamese (breeds 24, 24a, 24b, 24c, 24k, 24n, 24r, 32 1, 32 2, 32 3, 32 4, 32 5, 32 6, 32 7, 32 8, 32 9, 32 10, 3211, 32t2, 32t3, 32t4, 32t7, 3218, 3219, 32a, 32b1, 32b2, 32b3, 32M, 32b7, 32b8, 32b9, 32c, 32fn) are accepted in the pedigrees of Snowshoes.

D. BRITISH

British (breeds 22, 22a, 22b, 22c, 31, 31a, 31b, 31c, 31d, 31f,) i.e. Tortie & white or Bi-Colours are accepted in the pedigrees of Snowshoes. No others including Colour-point, Silver or Smoke to be accepted.

E. RAGDOLL

Ragdoll (breeds 66 31, 66 31 a, 66 31 b, 66 31 c) i.e. Bi-Colours only are accepted in the pedigrees of Snowshoes.

N B Previously acceptable crosses from Birmans to produce foundation stock cats is no longer acceptable, because of the recessive nature of the gloving gene, these cats shall be placed on the reference register and their offspring also, with no chance of progress to another register. Cats already being used for foundation stock with Birmans in their pedigrees will be placed on the appropriate register and their offspring shall be eligible to progress.

All red, cream or apricot Snowshoes with one or more Tabby Point parents must be registered as red, cream or apricot tabbies until proved otherwise. No cat may be registered as red, cream or apricot tabby unless it has an agouti parent.

REGISTRATION POLICY

1. FULL REGISTER

Snowshoes with Full or Provisional recognition, which have in their pedigrees within the three preceding generation only Snowshoes listed in A above, shall be registered on the Full Register, with the exception of those cats whose pedigrees include within three generations a cat registered on the Experimental or Reference Register.

2. SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTER

Snowshoes with Full or Provisional recognition, which have in their pedigrees within the three preceding generations only Snowshoes, Pointed Snowshoe Variants, as defined in 4.c below or foundation Snowshoes as defined in 4.f below.

3. EXPERIMENTAL REGISTER

Snowshoes with Preliminary recognition, which have in their pedigrees within the three preceding generations only Snowshoes, Pointed Snowshoe Variants as defined in 4.c below or Foundation Snowshoes as defined in 4J below.

4. REFERENCE REGISTER 1

a. Snowshoes which have in their pedigrees fewer than three generations of Snowshoes, Pointed shorthaired Snowshoe Variants as defined in 4.c below or Foundation Snowshoes as defined in 4.f below.

b. Snowshoes of unrecognised colours.

- c. Pointed Shorthaired Snowshoe Variants (without white), which have in their pedigrees only Snowshoes, Snowshoe Variants, Foundation Snowshoes, Bi-coloured Ragdolls, Siamese or Tortie & White or Bi-coloured British Shorthairs.
- d. Longhaired Colourpointed & White Snowshoes Variants, which have in their pedigrees only Snowshoes, Snowshoe Variants, Foundation Snowshoes, Bi-coloured Ragdolls, Siamese or Tortie & White or Bi-coloured British Shorthairs.
- e. Shorthaired Bi-coloured Snowshoe Variants, which have in their pedigrees only Snowshoes, Snowshoe Variants, Foundation Snowshoes, Si-coloured Ragdolls, Siamese or Tortie & White or Bi-coloured British Shorthairs.
- f. Foundation Snowshoes. Cats already registered, as Snowshoes with another registering body registered with the GCCF at 11112004 shall be considered Foundation Snowshoes. No further cats, which do not conform to the Registration Policy above, may be registered as Foundation Snowshoes after this date.

NB In the case of imported cats, Tortie & White and Bi-coloured American Short hairs (excluding silver) are also permissible in the pedigrees of Snowshoes and Snowshoe Variants.

5. REFERENCE REGISTER II

Other cats of Snowshoe type, including Longhaired Colourpointed, Longhaired Bi-colour, Self or Tortie Shorthairs bred from Snowshoe breeding, shall be registered on the Reference Register as of Snowshoe type without progression.

Any cats of snowshoe appearance, which have in their pedigree within three preceding generations any breed other than those listed above shall be registered on the Reference Register with no reference to Snowshoe type and no progression.

OVERSTAMPING

The shorthaired offspring of Ragdolls or Longhaired Snowshoe Variants shall be over stamped "Carries the longhair gene". The shorthaired parents of Longhaired Snowshoe Variants shall be over stamped "Carries the long hair gene". The shorthaired offspring of over stamped cats shall be over stamped "May carry the longhair gene" until test-matings prove otherwise.