

# **GCCF REGISTRATION POLICY FOR SIBERIAN CATS**

## **Permitted Breeds**

A. Registered & Certified Siberians of colours and patterns as described in the Standard of Points.

B. Unregistered cats from Russia: A registered Siberian that was born in Russia with an unregistered parent or parents will be accepted in Siberian pedigrees \*. Any cats born elsewhere with unregistered parent(s) will not be acceptable in Siberian pedigrees.

\*Imports with unregistered cats in their Certified Pedigrees, as specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 below, will be accepted for registration provided that they or the relevant parent or grandparent have been DNA tested to show that they do not carry chocolate, cinnamon or the Burmese colour restriction pattern. Cats must be microchipped at the time of testing, and the microchip number must be on the test certificate(s) and the cat's own veterinary record.

C. Siberians of the following colours: chocolate, lilac, cinnamon, fawn, caramel, apricot and Siberians displaying a Burmese or Tonkinese coat pattern are not accepted as Siberians.

## **1. FULL REGISTER**

Siberian Cats with Full recognition which have only registered & Certified Siberian cats, as described in A above, in their pedigrees within the preceding five generations shall be registered on the Full Register.

## **2. SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTER**

i) Siberian cats with Full recognition which have only Siberian cats, as described in A above, in their pedigrees within the preceding three generations and unregistered parents/grandparents. of registered Siberian cats born in Russia \* , as described in B above, in the fourth generation and/or fifth generation, shall be registered on the Supplementary Register.

(ii) Siberian cats (and their progeny), with registered parents, who conform sufficiently to the Siberian breed phenotype, as defined by the GCCF Siberian Standard of Points, re-allocated in accordance with GCCF Rules, Section 1, Rule 12c(ii) to the Supplementary Register from the Reference Register (see note 2)

\*\*Imports with unregistered cats in their Certified Pedigrees, as specified in paragraph 2 above, will be accepted for registration provided that they have been DNA tested to show that they do not carry chocolate, cinnamon or the Burmese Colour Restriction Pattern. Cats must be microchipped at the time of testing, and the microchip number must be on the test certificate(s) and the cat's own veterinary record

## **3. REFERENCE REGISTER**

(i) Siberian Cats that have unregistered cats within the preceding three generations shall be registered on the Reference Register as Siberian Cats provided that the cat(s) with unregistered parent(s) were born in Russia\*

\*\*\*Imports with unregistered cats in their Certified Pedigrees, as specified in paragraph 3 above, will be accepted for registration provided that they or the relevant parent or grandparent have been DNA tested to show that they do not carry chocolate, cinnamon or the Burmese colour restriction pattern. Cats must be microchipped at the time of testing, and the microchip number must be on the test certificate(s) and the cat's own veterinary record.

(ii) Any cat of Siberian appearance, other than those referred to in B above, with any breeds (including unregistered cats) other than Siberian Cats within the preceding five generations shall be registered on the Reference Register as Unrecognised Long Hair (XLH) with no reference to Siberian type and with no progression.

(iii) Any Siberian born chocolate, lilac, cinnamon, fawn, caramel or apricot coloured or any Burmese or Tonkinese patterned cats of Siberian appearance shall be registered on the Reference Register as Unrecognised Long Hair (XLH) with no reference to Siberian type and with no progression.

#### **NOTE 1: SOLID WHITE CATS**

Breeders of Solid White Siberian cats must comply with GCCF Rules, Section 1, Rule 1g which states as follows:

“Before any progeny may be registered from any breed of white cat, male or female, this cat must have had a BAER or OAE certificate of freedom from unilateral or bilateral deafness submitted to the GCCF Office. White cats without such certification will be registered on the non-active register until such time as the required certificate is sent and an application for transfer to the active register is made. Cats should be microchipped when tested with the number recorded on the test result and the cat’s own veterinary records. (Added 24.02.2016, Effective 01.06.2016)”

#### **NOTE 2: EXHIBITION WITH CRITIQUE CLASSES AT SHOWS**

Siberian cats (and their progeny), with registered parents, who conform sufficiently to the Siberian breed phenotype, as defined by the GCCF Siberian Standard of Points, may be re-allocated in accordance with GCCF Rules, Section 1, Rule 12c(ii) (Added 21.02.2018) to the Supplementary Register from the Reference Register and so be eligible for competition in GCCF Shows. The opinion of at least three Full Judges of the Siberian breed is required in support of the re-allocation from occasions when the cat is shown as an adult in Exhibition with Critique classes.

#### **NOTE 3: CLEARING OF PEDIGREE LINES**

Siberian cats from parents that are deemed to be clear of non-permitted colours because of the results from DNA Colour Testing of cats (as in Paragraph B above) on every line of the pedigree in the previous required number of generations may be registered without further DNA testing. Pedigree line in this instance refers to both parents, or all 4 grandparents, 8 great-grandparents, 16 great-great-grandparents and so on, or any combination of the same inclusive of both the sire’s and the dam’s ancestors.

#### **NOTE 4:**

Colourpointed Siberian cats are registered as Neva Masquerade by some registration organisations and will be shown with the EMS Code NEM on Certified Pedigrees provided by these registration organisations. Siberian cats (SIB) and Neva Masquerade cats (NEM) are acceptable in the Certified Pedigrees of imported cats. All Siberian cats are registered by the GCCF using the GEMS Code SIB, and all NEM cats in an import pedigree will be shown as SIB in the GCCF pedigree.

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