

THE RULES of THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE CAT FANCY

SECTION 1

THE REGISTER

REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS

Active and Non-Active Registers

- 1a.** Only cats/kittens required for breeding purposes should be registered on the Active Register. All male cats used at stud must have a Certificate of Entirety deposited with the GCCF prior to registration of their first litter of kittens. They must be uniquely identifiable at the time of the examination by microchip or alphanumeric tattoo; the number of which is noted on the certificate and included in the cat's own veterinary records. (Amended 21.10.2015)
- 1b.** In some breeds the registration policy may require that cats are tested clear for specific diseases/conditions before being eligible for registration on the Active Register.
- 1c.** Cats/kittens which are not required for breeding should be registered on the Non-Active Register. Progeny of cats on the Non-Active Register will not be registered.
- 1d.** Kittens resulting from matings between i) mother to son, ii) father to daughter and iii) full siblings will be registered on the Non-Active Register unless dispensation for Active Registration has been granted by the relevant BAC and/or approved by Board of Directors. This must be supplied when applying for registration or at any other time the breeder makes an application to transfer the cat from the Non-Active to the Active Register NOTE: Details on dispensation can be found in the GCCF Breeding Policy Document 4:10. (Existing rules 1d & 1e become 1e & 1f respectively) (added / amended 02.03.11)
- 1e.** ONLY the breeder or person who first registered the cat may apply to transfer a cat from the Non-Active to the Active Register, if permitted by the current registration policy for the breed in question, on payment of the appropriate fee, except where in special circumstances the Board of Directors may order a transfer. Dispensation from the Board of Directors will be required if a cat over two years is to be on the active register (see rule 1:4 age limits). (Amended 22.10.14)
- 1f.** The registered owner ONLY may apply to transfer a cat from the Active to the Non-Active Register, on payment of the appropriate fee, except where in special circumstances the Board of Directors may order a transfer. If at the time of application the cat has been sold, the legal owner must also sign the application. (Amended 24.10.12)
- 1g.** 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)
- 1h.** When DNA tests and/or health checks are mandatory for active status on the GCCF register (as at 1e and 1g) the breeder, or the person who first registered the cat, will not be charged a fee for a change from non-active status. Note: those who buy cats from breeders with the condition that change of status will be applied for when a satisfactory test result is obtained should have a signed statement of this commitment at the time of sale. (Added 14.06.2017)

Genetic Register

- 2a.** A registration policy may direct that cats which have not been tested clear for a specific disease/condition shall be registered on the Genetic Register if required for breeding.