



FIFe Statutes, Rules & Standards History of Changes

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1 Statutes

Article	Status	Remarks
2011 Statutes		
1.4	Addition + deletion	Purpose of FIFe: additions of associations and cats without pedigree / deletion of wild cats and hybrid cats
2.5	Addition	Member's obligation to respect and maintain the aims, purposes and principles of the FIFe
2012 Statutes		
2.7	Change	Members of the FIFe may only accept individuals, who are living abroad, as their member after obtaining permission from the FIFe Board
3.1, 4.2, 7	Change	"Auditors" into "Controllers" / "audit" into "control" (only in English version)
6.3	Addition	Correspondence addressed to the Board
2013 Statutes		
6.2	Change	The Judges & Standards Commission: each FIFe category must be represented by at least two (2) members who are International Judges qualified in that category
2014 Statutes		
2.4	Change	Probationary period for patronage Members increased from 2 to 3 years
2.5	Deletion	Taking into consideration the opinion of the Board
2.7	Change	Permission of the FIFe Board is not required anymore if FIFe Members wish to accept individuals who are living abroad as their member, but the procedure as outlined in article 2.5 of the General Rules must be followed
2015 Statutes		
4.7	Deletion	How FIFe Members are convened for the General Assembly, how they shall send their proposals and how they shall receive the Agenda (by email with confirmation of receipt). <i>This is moved to General Rules article 4.9</i>
4.7	Deletion	Members wishing to receive such documents by regular mail must send a written request to the Secretariat which will be respected until it is formally revoked. <i>This is moved to General Rules article 4.9</i>
2016 - 2019 Statutes		
		No modifications
2020 Statutes		
5.1.f	Addition	The Vice Secretary, respectively, Vice Treasurer fulfils the duties of the General Secretary, respectively, Treasurer in case of his absence.
2022 Statutes		
		No modifications
2023 Statutes		
4.6	Correction	Supervisors instead of Controllers
6.2.6, 6.3	Addition	Commission for Public Relations
2024 Statutes		
		No modifications

2 General Rules

Article	Status	Remarks
2011 General Rules		
6.1	Change	Final version of commission proposals to be send in all three FIFe languages to the General Secretary within 60 days after the General Assembly
2012 General Rules		
6.2	Deletion	Circulation of the minutes of commission meetings to the Members
13.4	New	All documents carrying the FIFe logo must be at least printed in the Latin (Western) alphabet

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6.1	Change	Final versions of commission proposals to be send in all 3 FIFe languages to the General Secretary within 60 days after the GA. (this change was mistakenly not implemented in the General Rules version 01.01.11).
2013		General Rules
2.4	Addition	Condition for a FIFe Member to officiate as a Mentor
7	Change	“Auditors” into “Controllers” (only in English version)
13.4	Addition	Websites and email addresses
Annex 2	Addition	Country code for Turkey (TR)
Annex 2	Deletion	Country code for Uruguay (no patronage member anymore in this country)
4.13	Deletion	Reference to “Rules for Cattery names” which are no longer a separate set of rules (11.06.12)
2013		General Rules
4.6	Change	Maximum number of proposals to be submitted to the General Assembly by the Board as well as by each commission reduced from 15 to 10.
2014		General Rules
2.5	Change	“upon recommendation of the FIFe Board” in “following the membership-change procedure”
2.5	Addition	In case the current FIFe Member does not approve the application, the new FIFe Member may send this application to the FIFe Board for consideration
Annex 1	Change	Fees for rosettes (already valid since 01.01.13)
Annex 2	Addition	MD - Moldova
Annex 2	Deletion	RS - Serbia
2015		General Rules
4.9	Addition	How FIFe Members are convened for the General Assembly, how they shall send their proposals and how they shall receive the Agenda (by email with confirmation of receipt). <i>This is moved from the Statutes article 4.7</i>
4.9	Addition	Members wishing to receive the Agenda by regular mail must send a written request to the Secretariat which will be respected until it is formally revoked. <i>This is moved from the Statutes article 4.7</i>
4.14	New	Scrutineers can be chosen from all members of FIFe Members present at the General Assembly
13.5	New	The use of the FIFe EMS Master Code
Annex 1	Change	Annual judges fee (from EUR 65.00 to EUR 100.00)
Annex 2	Deletion	TR - Turkey
2016		General Rules
Annex 2	Addition	China (CN)
2017		General Rules
6.3	New	Requirement for candidates for the Judges & Standards Commission
Annex 1	Addition	Shows at which cats can obtain two certificates on the same day are considered as two separate shows
2018		General Rules
2.5	Addition	Existing sanctions during membership-change procedure
3.2	Deletion	Of the word diskettes
9.1	New	Payment term of invoices sent by the FIFe Treasurer
2019		General Rules
2.5	Change	Membership-change procedure
3.1	Change	Different periods of notice for Board and commission meetings changed to always 14 days prior to the meeting.
4.4	Change	Amendments made by commissions must be received within 4 weeks after the General Assembly
Annex 1	Rewording	Minimum net Judges Allowance (no change of amounts)
2020		General Rules
2.7	Addition	Report on breeding and registration statistics
2022		General Rules
		No modifications

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2023		General Rules
2.5	Deletion	Informing the FIFe Board on every case of individual membership change
3.3.a	Deletion	Faxes
3.3.d, 4.5	Deletion	Simultaneous translations
4.1, 4.9	Correction	Deletion of the word "Members" in connection with proposals
4.3	Correction	Supervisors instead of Controllers
4.9	Deletion	The possibility to receive the agenda by regular mail
4.15	New	Travel and accommodation costs for FIFe officials in connection with the General Assembly
2024		General Rules
9.2	New	FIFe Feline Fund
Annex 1	Change	Membership and other fees: annual membership fee and cattery registration fee
Annex 1	Addition	Membership and other fees: rosettes for titles NW, DSW, KCH, JCH

3 Show Rules

Article	Status	Remarks
2003		Show Rules
1 – 57	New	Titles to articles, table of contents provided
5	Change	Booking of show dates
19	New	Junior Winner-JW, Dist. Show Merit DSM
29	Deletion	Combined BIS when less than 15 cats
38	Change	Novice and Control class
52	Change	Sending the show catalogue to FIFe
56	New	Distinguished Show Merit (DSM)
57	New	Junior winner (JW)
Annex 4	Change	Exemption for Russia
Annex 8	New	Belarus
Table of exceptions	Change	Exceptions to the Show Rules
2004		Show Rules
1,B,b	Change	Date of World Show
14.2	Change	Nails cut before arrival at show hall
15c	Change	Microchip recommended as identification
34	Change	Title DM to added to qualifications for DM
54	Change	Maximum time frame reporting complaints
Annex 2	Change	Extension to 31.12.2008
Annex 3	Change	Member names removed
Annex 7	Deletion	LOOF rules changed
Annex 9	New	Exemption for Iceland
Table of exceptions	Change	Exceptions to the Show Rules
Annex 10	New	Exception for Group "C" countries (01.07.04)
2005		Show Rules
Show Rules	Reorganisation	Show rules reorganised new article numbers
1.4.c (was 5.b.c)	Deletion	Already in Judges Rules 5.2.6
1.4.d (was 5.B.d)	Deletion	Already in Judges Rules 2.8.2
1.16 (was 52)	Change	Rule to send show catalogue to FIFe
Old art. 33	Deletion	Double stated rules for World Winners
Old art. 34	Deletion	DM rule already art 5.1 B+R Rules
Annex 2	New-Change	Annex 2 now changed to art. 8.2
Annex 7	Deletion	No longer needed exception for France
7.2	New	Shows in countries with no FIFe member
1.8.f (was 2.1.f)	Change	Wording changed to make clearer
Annex 6	Extension	Extension of exception for MX+AR+BR
Annex 10	Deletion	Exception for Group "C" countries (01.07.05)

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Article	Status	Remarks
2006		Show Rules
Show Rules	Re-instated	Status of Changes
1.1.a	Transfer	No shows weekend GA (from General Rules)
1.1.b	Transfer	Show-list every 3 months (from General Rules)
1.1.c	Transfer	Protest show date (from General Rules)
1.1.d	Change	From 1.1 to 1.1.d
1.3	Addition	Insertion of the word “national”
1.3	Deletion	Show Fees: now in Annex I of General Rules
1.10.h.c	New	Present all cats with number in writing
6.1.b	Transfer	75% judges to be FIFe (from General Rules)
6.1.c	Transfer	Invite non-FIFe judge Board permission (from General Rules)
6.1.d	Transfer	Organisation non-FIFe judge in catalogue (from General Rules)
6.1.e	Transfer	Standards and Rules for non-FIFe judge (from General Rules)
Annex 1	New	Exception Portugal to get EC/EP title
Annex 4	Extension	Extension of exception for titles
Annex 8	Extension	Extension of exception for 100 cats
Annex 8	New	Exception for Titles IC/IP, GIC/GIP, EC/EP
Annex 11	New	Certificates/titles must follow FIFe Rules
2007		Show Rules
1.1.b	Change	Official show list on website
2.3, 8.2.4	Move	FIFe World Show only for cats of FIFe individual Members. 8.2 changed
1.14	Addition	FIFe logo on catalogue
1.5	Change	Munchkin and Scottish Fold not to be shown
4.14	Addition	BOS also for DSM title
4.3-4.5	Change	Changed wording for classes 3, 5 and 7
3.9	Change	Redone faults leading to disqualification
3.10	Change	Redone general faults in all breeds
4.4, 4.5	Change	2 options to attain title GIC/GIP EC/EP
3.10	Change	Cl. 11+12: when tail deformities max Excellent
2008		Show Rules
1.4	Deletion	Show dates booked 10 years in advance
1.4.b.1	Change	Iceland deleted
1.4.b.2	Deletion	Overseas countries deleted
1.5	Change	Reworded
1.8 c	Change	Validity of vaccinations
1.8 f	Change	Exception for amount of cats
1.10 a	Change	How to choose judges
1.10 b	Change	Organisers responsibility
1.10 c	Change	Keeping the show catalogue + all results
1.10 h.b	Deletion	Shows marked with special sign
1.11	Deletion	Ribbons and rosettes on the shows
1.13	Addition	Confirm entry forms by e-mail
1.16	Change	Show catalogue containing all results
2.2	Deletion	Date of World Show
2.3	Change	Recognised breeds in the World Show
3.1	Change	Domestic cats now house cats
3.1	Change	House cats > 10 months must be neutered
3.4	Addition	Admission to shows: docked or cropped
3.9	Addition	To disqualifiers: docked or cropped
3.10.k	Change	Rewording
4.3, 4.4, 4.5	Deletion	Deletion of Annex 1 and 5
4.8	Change	Rewording of how the BIS can be chosen
4.8	Addition	Nomination conditions
4.16	New	Distinguished Variety Merit (DVM)
6.1.a	Change	Recognised judges
6.9	Change, Move	Rewording + BIV moved to article 4.9
Annex 1	Deletion	Exceptions for Portugal
Annex 3	Addition	Malta included
Annex 5	Deletion	Exceptions for Norway and Sweden
Annex 8	Deletion	Exceptions for Belarus CAGCIB/CAGPIB

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Article	Status	Remarks
Annex 9	Addition	Israel and Malta included
Annex 11	Move	Moved to article 6.9
3.10	Correction	Addition of "pigmentation faults" and corrected numbering as in the Standard, General Part page 9+10
3.9, 3.10	Correction	Corrections as per Standard General Part to 3.9c, 3.9m, 3.9n, 3.9u, and 3.10m
2009		Show Rules
All	Deletion	Malta (no National FIFe Member anymore since 01.07.08)
All	Correction	Replace all occurrences of youngster by junior
1.8.h	Change	Instead of Mexico, Brazil, Argentina: Latin America
1.10.d	Addition	List of absent cats
1.14	Addition	Minimum data of an exhibit to publish in the catalogue
1.17.e	Addition	Clarification of observing age classification
2.3	Addition	House cats are eligible for qualification and competition at the World Show
2.4	Addition	WW title registered in pedigree
3.4	Move	Housecats older than 10 months must be neutered moved from art. 3.1
3.4	Move	Tattooed cats and nail-tips moved from art. 3.2
4.1	Reorganisation	Change of the name of chapter 4 and introducing sub articles in art. 4.1
4.1.1	Addition	Titles SW, SC and SP
4.1.1	Addition	Explanation of preliminary titles PCH, PPR, PIC and PIP
4.1.2	Addition	List of certificates and their abbreviations
4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5	Addition	Minimum number of required points to receive a certificate
4.3, 4.4, 4.5	Change	General reference to the annexes instead of listing all annexes applicable separately
4.6	Change	Rewording how to obtain a title
4.7	Change	Rewording when going to a higher class
4.8	Reorganisation	Introducing sub articles and rearranging into the new sub articles
4.8.2	Change	Only an exhibit of a recognised variety of a fully recognised breed is eligible for nomination for Best in Show
4.8.2	Clarification	Clarification of conditions for nomination with relation to Best in Variety
4.8.3	Change	Number of BIS titles for house cats
4.8.5	Correction	Validity of vote issued by probational judge
4.11	Deleted	Already dealt with in articles 4.8 and 4.9
4.14, 4.15, 4.16	Clarification	Clarification which cats are eligible for the titles DSM, JW and DVM
5.2	Change	Certificates replaced by Diplomas to avoid misinterpretation (only in English and German)
5.4	Change	Correct definition of class 13b: control class
5.4	New	Introduction of class 13c: determination class
5.5	Reorganisation	Introducing sub articles and rearranging into the new sub articles
5.5.3	Addition	No higher certificates than CACIB/CAPIB for preliminary recognised breeds
6.8	Addition	The group number must appear on the judge's report (only applicable to breeds judged in groups)
8.1.1	Deletion	Showing in non-FIFe clubs
8.2.4	Extension	Extension of Open Doors until 31.12.13
Annex 4	Deletion	Exceptions for Russia classes 5 and 6
Annex 4	Extension	Exceptions for Russia classes 7 and 8
Annex 6	Change	Instead of Mexico, Brazil, Argentina: Latin America
Annex 6	Extension	Exceptions for Latin America for classes 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
Annex 8	Deletion	Exceptions for Belarus min. 100 cats and classes 3 and 4
Annex 8	Extension	Exceptions for Belarus classes 7 and 8
Annex 8	Move	Move to annex 4, same exceptions as Russia
1.8.h	Addition	Asia, Greece and Cyprus + minimum 80% pedigreed cats in case of reduced number (01.06.09)
Annex 3	Addition	Portugal (01.06.09)
Annex 6	Addition	Asia (01.06.09)

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2010		Show Rules
1.10.a	Addition	Show organisers must invite judges in writing
2.1	Change	National FIFe Member instead of country
3.10.k	Addition (+renumbering)	Insufficient contract between points and body colour on Siamese pointed cats
4.8, 4.9	Reorganisation	Logical renumbering: first art. 4.8 BIV (was art. 4.9) and then art. 4.9 NOM + BIS (was art. 4.8)
4.8	Clarification	A judge is at liberty to withhold BIV
4.9.1	Addition	Nominations on one-breed show
4.9.3,4.14	Addition	Explanation Best in Show Opposite Sex (BOS)
4.9.3	Addition	Best in Show on one-breed show
4.9.5	Clarification	Voting procedure during Best in Show
5.6	Move	Maximum number of cats to be judged by one judge moved from article 5.6 to new article 6.12
Table Best in Variety	Clarification	Showing all minimum possibilities for Best in Variety
1.8.g	Addition	Bulgaria (01.06.2010 until 31.12.2014)
Annex 3 and 9	Deletion	Israel - no FIFe Member anymore in this country (01.06.10)
2011		Show Rules
1.1	Change	Change of article title
1.2	Change and move	Show request tool on FIFe website + Booking of show dates moved from article 1.4.a and 1.6
1.4.a	Deletion and move	Option "by rail" deleted + booking of show dates moved to article 1.2
1.6	Move	Booking of show dates to article 1.2
1.8.d	Move + renumbering	To article 1.10.b: insurance policy Remaining sub-articles renumbered
1.8.h	Change	From General Rules: requirement for official documents
1.10.a	Move	To article 6.1.1.c: a judge must be invited in writing by a show organiser
1.10.b	Move + renumbering	From article 1.8.d: insurance policy Existing sub-articles renumbered
3.1	Change	No registration in LO or RIEG register for non-FIFe cats entered for a show
3.1	Change	Kittens (3-6 months) and cats imported from other organisations which are entered for a show must have their registration in the LO or RIEG pending
3.6	Change	A cat always competes at shows according to phenotype, never according to genotype
3.9	Move	Disqualifying faults moved to the Table of faults
3.10	Move	General faults in all breeds moved to the Table of faults
4.1.1	Addition	Added new title: National Winner (NW)
4.6	Move	From article 6.9: certificates and titles which are not obtained according to FIFe Rules should not be recognised
4.9.5	Change	Voting during Best in Show must be public
4.17	Addition	National Winner title (NW)
5.2	Move	Diplomas moved to article 6.8.2
5.4	Change	New definition of Novice class according to Breeding & Registration Rules
5.4.	Change	New definition of Control class according to Breeding & Registration Rules
5.5	Change + renumbering	Change of article title; 5.5.1 – 5.5.3 renumbered into 5.5.2 – 5.5.4; insertion of new article 5.5.1 for non-standard varieties
5.5.3	Change	Non recognised breeds must be subdivided in classes according to breed, sex and age
5.5.3	Change	For non recognised breeds (* non), XLH, XSH, HCL and HCS: classification is I, II, III, IV and V; V is joint 5 th place
5.6	Change	For additional classes: classification is I, II, III, IV and V; V is joint 5 th place

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6	Transfer + reorganisation + renumbering	From Judges Rules: article 2.9 – Judges on shows and chapter 4 – Stewards (except deleted articles 2.9.11: wearing spectacles with coloured lenses and 4.2: allocation of a steward)
6.1.1.a	Addition	Availability of the FIFe judges list
6.1.1.c	Move	From article 1.10.a: a judge must be invited in writing by a show organiser
6.1.1.f	Change	A judge may only accept an invitation to a show on the same date as an already cancelled invitation after the written permission of the show organiser who sent the original (cancelled) invitation
6.1.1.g	Change	A dormant judge may not officiate at any show
6.1.2.a + 6.1.2.c	Rewording	Clear split between Board approval for each assignment separately (6.1.2.a) and authorisation to judge according to FIFe Rules and Standards (6.1.2.c) for non-FIFe judges
6.1.3	Addition	From Judges Rules article 2.8.6.4 resp. 7.2: maximum number of cats to be judged for instructing or examining judges resp. for judges on non-European shows
6.1.4	Addition	Copied from Judges Rules article 5.1.8: student judges
6.1.5	Addition	Copied from Judges Rules article 5.1.14.7: parallel judging
6.1.6	Addition	Copied from Judges Rules articles 5.2.6 and 5.2.13.4: practical judges' examination
6.8	Change	The judge's report must carry the FIFe logo
6.9	Addition	No qualification for cats in class 13c (determination class) or in additional classes
6.9	Deletion	The reason for withholding a certificate must be stated on the judge's report: already catered for in article 6.11
6.9	Move	To article 4.6: certificates and titles which are not obtained according to FIFe Rules should not be recognised
6.10	Rewording	When a countersignature is needed
6.11-6.12	Reorganisation and renumbering	Separate articles for withholding certificates and disqualification
6.12	Addition	No completed judge's report for aggressive cats
6.12	Change	In case of a disqualification, the judge may call upon the opinion of the officiating veterinarian (the signature of the veterinarian is no longer a requirement in case of specific disqualifying faults)
Annex 3	Addition	Cyprus and Greece
Table of faults	Move	From articles 3.9 (disqualifying faults) and 3.10 (general faults in all breeds)
Table of faults: 1.7, 8.2, 8.5	Deletion	The final decision rests with the officiating veterinarian. Certificates of testicular entirety must be issued to males which have turned 10 months.
Table of faults: 1.8	Addition	Addition of a disqualifying fault: unneutered house cats, except for cats younger than 10 months
Table of faults: 6.3	Rewording	Siamese pointed cats (instead of: pointed cats, except Burmese and Tonkinese pointed)
All	Renumbering	References to article numbers in reorganised FIFe Breeding & Registration Rules
4.17	Correction	"FIFe Member country" into "FIFe Member"
1.8.g	Addition	Exception for the United Kingdom (01.06.11 until 31.12.14)
4.1.1	Change	All FIFe show titles are only available for FIFe registered cats, owned by individual members of FIFe Members (01.06.11)
4.1.1	Change	All FIFe show titles are to be displayed by their abbreviation only, except the WW title (01.06.11)
4.1.1	Clarification	"Other possible titles" into "possible Championship/ Premiership titles" (01.06.11)
8.2.1.b	Change	Non-FIFe exhibitors may only enter their cats in classes 12, 11 and 9 or 10; if they wish to enter cats in higher classes, they should become individual members of a FIFe Member (01.06.11)
2.7	Addition	Judges participation in the Best in Show panel (01.06.11)
2.3	Addition	Qualification for the World Show: DSM title for house cats (30.06.11)
2012		Show Rules

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1.1.c	Deletion	Appeal on date appeared on the official show list, must be made within six weeks of the list being circulated. Changes shall be made in bold type.
1.5	Addition	No exhibition of cats with in its ancestry cats suffering from (pseudo-)achondroplasia or osteochondrodysplasia
1.10.e	Move	To article 6.7.2
1.14	Addition	Joint catalogue for multiple certificate shows
2.3, 2.4	Reorganisation	Qualifications for World Show + Scandinavian Winner Show
4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.15	Change	Exceptions are valid for individual members residing in the countries as outlined in the Annexes
4.9	Renumbering	Articles 4.9.4 and 4.9.5 renumbered into 4.9.6 and 4.9.7
4.9.1, 4.9.3	Move	Best in Show on a show for only one breed moved to a separate sub-article 4.9.5
4.9.4	Addition	Breed Best in Show
4.9.5	Move	Best in Show on a show for only one breed moved from article 4.9.1 and 4.9.3
4.9.6	Addition	List of nominated cats must contain the date of birth (or age)
4.17	Addition	Cats can only obtain one NW title in any calendar year
5.5.3	Addition	Show organisers must inform the judges as to which non-recognised breeds they have to judge
6.2.1	Clarification	Rewording of the steward outfit
6.7	Reorganisation and clarification	Access to judges ring, presentation procedures and electronic devices
6.7.2	Move	From article 1.10.e
6.10	Deletion	National judges in non-European FIFe Member countries can award a CAC or CAP without a countersignature
7.1	Change	Responsibility to observe Show Rules belongs to FIFe Member and not to the show organising club
7.1	Deletion	Providing all judges, especially judges of non-FIFe organisations, with all information regarding the application of the rules
Annex 4	Extension	Exceptions for Belarus and Russia classes 7 and 8 (until 31.12.2016)
Table of faults: 1.6	Change	"Cats showing an umbilical hernia" into "Cats with an umbilical hernia"
Table of faults: 2.2	Change+ Deletion	"Any abnormal depressions, protrusions or fissures in the skull" moved from "No certificate" to "No Excellent". Deletion of exception for neuters and cats younger than 10 months
Table of faults: 3.2	Change	"Crooked jaws" moved from "No certificate" to "No Excellent".
All	Renumbering	References to article numbers in reorganised FIFe Rules for Judges & Student Judges
2013		Show Rules
1.4	Deletion	Exception for Norway, Sweden and the United Kingdom
1.5	Addition	No promotion or advertising for wild cats and cats suffering from (pseudo-)achondroplasia or osteochondrodysplasia
1.8.c	Change	Specification of vaccinations
1.10.c	Clarification	List of officiating judges in show schedule
1.13	Change	All former contents changed to: The entry form must be completed and submitted in accordance with the instructions from the show organising club
1.14	Change	Owner's name instead of exhibitor's name in catalogue
1.14	Addition	List of officiating judges and owners in catalogue
1.17.a	Deletion	80% of officiating judges in confirmation letter
1.17.a	Change	Contents of exception changed into "circumstances"
2.5	Deletion	Allowance for shows outside Europe at same weekend as World Show
2.5	Deletion	Exception for Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom and Iceland
4.1.1	Addition	FIFe titles are available to house cats of individual members
4.9.4.3	Clarification	Number of nominated cats in case of a Breed BIS
4.9.5	Clarification	Definition of a single-breed show

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5.4	Correction	Classes 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10: “neutered cats” into “castrated cats” (only in English and French version)
6.1.2.d	Addition	Non-FIFe judges in show schedule and in show catalogue after permission has been obtained
6.1.2.f	Addition	Number of times per calendar year a non-FIFe judge may officiate at FIFe shows
6.1.4	Deletion	Show organisers must inform examiners
6.12	Addition	No completed judge’s report for pregnant and lactating queens
Annex 1.4b	Deletion	Exception for Norway, Sweden and the United Kingdom
Annex 3	Change	All countries are to be listed because of their geographic location, regardless if quarantine rules apply
Annex 4	Addition	Spain (until 31.12.2016)
Table of faults: 8.3	Rewording	“Pregnant and nursing cats” into “Pregnant and lactating queens” (same wording as already used in article 3.4; only in English version)
Table of faults: 8.3	Addition	Remark: No completed judge’s report. Such cats must be put into quarantine immediately.
Table of faults: 8.4	Change	Remark: “Such cats must be put into quarantine immediately” into “Such cats must be removed immediately from the show hall, together with all other cats belonging to the same exhibitor (in order to be consistent with article 3.8)”
Table of faults: 8.5	Addition	Remark: Such cats must be put into quarantine immediately
Table of faults: 9.1	Addition	Remark: Singapura (SIN)
2014 Show Rules		
All	Change	All occurrences “3-6 months” changed to “4-7 months” (class 12) and “6-10 months” changed to “7-10 months” (class 11)
1.12	Change	All contents changed to: Payment of show entry fees must be effectuated in accordance with the instructions from the show organising club + payment guarantee of entry fees
3.3	Change	Minimum age for cats on shows raised from 3 to 4 months
3.4	Addition	Not admitted to shows: dwarf cats, cats with deformities of the feet or legs (for example poly- or oligodactylism), blind cats and tattooed cats, except when having a tattoo with an identifying code as a form of registration
4.6	Addition	All certificates for a title must be obtained in the same variety / group. If a change in EMS code results in a change of variety / group, then already approved titles must always be retained and all certificates for the next title must be obtained in the new variety / group.
4.9.4.1, 4.9.4.2	Clarification	For Breed BIS only cats in the classes 1 – 12 can be taken into consideration
4.9.7	Clarification	The voting procedure must be applied in each and every single case when the votes are even
4.17	Addition	Rules for National Winner title
5.4	Change	Class 13b (control class): minimum age of 4 instead of 3 months
6.5	Addition	Transfer recommendations require the judge’s report to be signed by a second officiating judge qualified for the relevant category
6.7.2	Correction	Reference to article 4.9.6 instead of 4.9.5
6.12	Change	In all cases of disqualification the judge’s report does not have to be completed and cannot mention a classification
8.2	Change	Extension of “Open doors” until 31.12.2018
Annex 4	Addition	Ukraine (until 31.12.2016)
Table of faults	Deletion	Remarks: deletion of exceptions when a judge’s report does not have to be completed (refer to article 6.12)
Table of faults 1.5	Change	Description of the disqualifying fault: deformities of the feet or legs
Table of faults 8.8, 8.9, 8.10	Renummering	8.8 – 8.10 into 8.9 – 8.11;
Table of faults 8.8, 8.9, 8.10	Addition	8.8: tattooed cats (refer to article 3.4)
Table of faults 9.1, 9.2	Addition	Remark: LaPerm Longhair (LPL) / LaPerm Shorthair (LPS)
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Article	Status	Remarks
1.8.g	Addition	Exception for minimum amount of cats required for international shows reduced to 100: Israel
	Change	Exception extended until 31.12.2018 (see the Table of Exceptions to the Show Rules on page 31)
1.8.h	Addition	Reference to FIFe General Rules article 13.4
1.8.i	Addition	Clarification of which ISO-codes of country names are to be used
1.10.c	Addition	Indication of name or ISO-code of country of residence for judges listed in the show schedule
1.13	Addition	Copy of entry form to be sent by the cat's owner to the FIFe Member/club where he holds his membership
1.14	Addition	Indication of name or ISO-code of country of residence for judges listed in the show catalogue
2.6	Addition	For Scandinavian Winner Show: Finland
2.8	New	Best in Show titles for house cats at the World Show and the Scandinavian Winner Show
4.9.3	Addition	Best in Show can be chosen from categories I & II together and/or categories III & IV together
4.9.4.8	Deletion	If a "Breed BIS" is held it should be announced at least 2 weeks prior to the date of the show
5.5.2	Addition	Preliminary recognised varieties
5.4	Addition	Non-European judges for classes 13a, 13b + 13c at shows in non-European countries
	Addition	For classes 13a, 13b + 13c: judges must be qualified for the relevant category
5.5.4	Addition	Classes 13a, 13b + 13c are available for cats belonging to preliminary recognised breeds
6.1.3	Addition	Maximum number of cats to be judged by instructing or examining judges at shows in non-European countries
6.7.3	Deletion	It is forbidden for a judge, student judge or steward to have an electronic device in operation during judging and Best in Show
Annex 3	Addition	Exception for all certificates to be obtained in one country for Israel
	Deletion	Portugal (see Annex 4)
Annex 4	Addition	Exception for all certificates in classes 7 and 8 to be obtained in one country for Portugal (until 31.12.2016)
Annex 6	Change	Exception for all certificates to be obtained in one country for Latin America and Asia: extended until 31.12.2017
Annex 9	Addition	Exception for 3x Best in Show in order to become Junior Winner: Israel
Table Exceptions to the Show Rules	Addition	Article 1.8.g: Israel
	Change	Article 1.8.g: extended until 31.12.2018
	Addition	Annex 3 and 9: Israel
	Deletion	Annex 3: Portugal
	Addition	Annex 4: Portugal
	Change	Annex 6: extended until 31.12.2017
Table of faults 2.2	Deletion	The word "abnormal" in "Any abnormal depression depressions, protrusions or fissures in the skull"
	Transfer	From "fault precluding Excellent and any higher award" to "disqualifying fault"
Table of faults 9.1 + 9.2	Addition	Remark: Thai (THA)
2016		Show Rules
1.1.b	Deletion	On request a printed version of the show list can be send to a FIFe Member or FIFe Judge
1.2	Addition	FIFe Members are responsible to check if the minimum required distance between shows is observed before sending a request for a license to organise a show giving a fixed place
1.4	Addition	Only shows giving a fixed date, place and its postal code will be protected by the 400 km rule
1.10.i	New	Show organisers shall send all correspondence with regard to invitations, hotels and transfers to the judge's (email) address which appears on the official FIFe judges list
2.6	Change	Rules for Winner Shows

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Article	Status	Remarks
2.6	Change	House cats with the DSM title are automatically qualified for the Scandinavian Winner Show
2.6	Deletion	Qualification for the Scandinavian Winner Show for kittens 4-7 months: 1x Excellent 1, regardless in which class they are entered for the show
2.6	Addition	4 new Winner Shows (American, Baltic, Mediterranean, North Sea Winner Show) and their organising FIFe Member countries
2.9	New	Certificates obtained at the World Show and at Winner Shows are considered as obtained in any foreign country
3.1	Change	Pedigree Book of the FIFe Member to which the owner belongs
3.1	Deletion	Exception for registration of novices entered for a show
3.1	Addition	Entered for the show in classes 9 – 13 (in case of registration pending for cats imported from other organisations)
3.4	Addition	Other cats belonging to the same exhibitor may be admitted to the show, in consideration of § 3.8
3.8	Addition	In article title: “during vetting in or”
3.8	Addition	“(for example: viral, bacterial, fungal or parasitical)” + “will be denied admission to the show hall”
4.1.1	Addition	4 new Winner titles: AW, BW, MW, NSW
4.7	Addition	Shows as outlined in § 2 are exempted from this rule (→ § 2.9)
4.9.1	Rewording	House cats can have a maximum of 4 nominations which may not be subdivided by age
4.9.3	Change	Categories I, II, III and IV to show categories 1, 2, 3 and 4
4.9.4.1	Deletion	Breed BIS only permitted in categories II and III (GA 2014 decision)
4.9.4.1	Change	The number of cats listed in the catalogue instead of present are decisive for Breed BIS
4.9.4.1	Change	Option to include any sister breed for Breed BIS
4.9.7	Addition	Judges must abstain from voting if they are not qualified to judge all presented breeds in the category (GA 2014 decision)
5.4	Addition	Class 13a + 13b: how cats shall be entered in this class, i.e. as XLH/XSH * followed by the EMS code of the target breed between brackets
5.4	Addition	Class 13a: judging may be done before the official judging starts
5.4	Addition	Class 13a + 13b: cats may be shown in the target breed at the same show where the necessary qualification was obtained before the official judging started
5.4	Addition	Class 13c: Judges cannot transfer an exhibit from one breed to another breed, except to a sister breed or when an administrative error is established by the show secretariat
6.1.6	Change	Training categories for practical examinations
6.5	Addition	“By the show secretariat” for administrative errors
6.5	Addition	In case of a change of breed, the proposed breed may only be a sister breed
Annex 9	Addition	Latin America (for exception 3x Junior Winner)
Table of faults 9.1 + 9.2	Deletion	Seychellois Longhair/Shorthair (SYL/SYS), since these breeds are now considered to be varieties of Balinese/Siamese (BAL/SIA)
Table Show categories	New	List of fully and preliminary recognised breeds in show categories 1, 2, 3 and 4
01.09.2016		Show Rules
Annexes	Deletion	Cyprus (no FIFe Member anymore)
2017		Show Rules
-	Deletion	All references to the deleted titles European Champion, European Premier, FIFe American Champion and FIFe American Premier and their abbreviations (EC/EP, FAC/FAP)
-	Change	All descriptions of Winner titles are always in the English language (this change only effects the French edition of the Show Rules)
-	Change	All descriptions of Merit titles are always in the English language (this change only effects the French edition of the Show Rules)
1.3	Change	Fee for show types (→ § 1.11)
1.8.c	Change	The required vaccinations and/or boosters must always have been applied at least 15 days prior to the show

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Article	Status	Remarks
1.8.e, 1.8.g	Change	Clarification that in competition means being entered in one of the classes 1 – 12 or 14
1.8.e	Change	In case the number of 150 cats is not reached 7 days (was: 14 days) before the show, the FIFe Member shall declare the show as “national”
1.8.g	Move	Names of countries to Annex 1
1.11	New	Definition of show types (the deleted § 1.11 was used for ribbons and rosettes)
1.11	Addition	Definition of already acknowledged show types
1.11	Addition	Definition of two new show types: one 1 day, 2 certificate shows and two 1 day, 2 certificate shows, divided by categories or breeds
1.13	Addition	Providing additional information when using an online entry tool for entering cats for shows abroad
1.14	Change	Joint catalogue also possible for 1 day 2 certificate shows
2	Addition	Winner Shows in the chapter title
2.6.2	Addition	Winner Shows must appear at least 2 years prior to their date in the official FIFe show calendar
2.6.6	Addition	Germany in the group of countries organising the North Sea Winner Show
4.1.1	Deletion	Issue date of titles
4.3, 4.4, 4.5	Change	References to new annex numbers
4.4, 4.5	Change	Clarification of the requirements for obtaining titles
5.5.2	Change	Clarification how cats belonging to non-recognised varieties are to be dealt with
5.5.3, 6.9	Change	Clarification how cats belonging to non-recognised breeds are to be dealt with, regardless if the breed has a EMS breed code or not
6.1.6	Change	Minimum required number of entered cats at shows in Europe for an examination changed to 50 for the relevant category
Annexes	Reorg.	Reorganisation and renumbering
Annex 1	Move	Names of countries from § 1.8.g
Annex 2	Deletion	Exception for Belarus and Russia not extended after 31.12.2016
Annex 2	Change	Exception for Portugal, Spain and Ukraine extended until 31.12.2021
30.09.2017		Show Rules
Table Categories at shows	Change	Full recognition of British Longhair (BLH), Selkirk Rex Longhair/Shorthair (SRL/SRS) in category 3 and Thai (THA) in category 4
2018		Show Rules
All	Change	All occurrences of the word “Premier” to “Premior” in order to use the same wording in all 3 FIFe languages for the relevant titles (this change only effects the English edition of the Show Rules)
1.4	Addition	Minimum 400 kms distance between shows at the same date applies only to shows organised by different FIFe Members
1.4	Change	Written agreements by the FIFe Members and not by their clubs (this change only effects the English and French editions of the Show Rules)
1.8.b	Change	Veterinary examination can be performed either randomly or on all exhibits
1.8.c	Change	Clarification of veterinary requirements
1.10.d	Deletion	After inserting new wording in § 1.16 (Show archives)
1.11	Change	Judges can officiate at two shows per day
1.16	Change	New wording for show archives (moved from § 1.10.d and § 1.17.d)
1.17.d	Deletion	After inserting new wording in § 1.16 (Show archives)
2.6.2	Addition	Only one Winner Show is allowed on the same weekend
2.6.6	Addition	Greece in the group of the organising FIFe Members for the Mediterranean Winner Show
2.9	Change	Certificates obtained at shows arranged according to § 2 can be considered as being obtained in any country when needed to comply with the requirement of the number of different countries in § 4.3, 4.4 or 4.5

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Article	Status	Remarks
4.9.4.2	Change	The number of cats of the other breeds in the relevant category must be at least 40 (instead of 50)
4.9.4.3	New	Only cats belonging to fully recognised breeds and their fully recognised varieties shall be taken into account when organising a Breed BIS
4.9.7.2	Change	Judges who are not fully qualified for a category which they did not judge at the show may act as referee judges when they are qualified to judge the presented breeds
6.1.2.e	Addition	Non-FIFe judges cannot act as an instructing judge or officiate at the World Show or Winner Shows
6.1.2.g	New	FIFe Members may be permitted no more than 3 times per calendar year to have non-FIFe judges officiating at their shows, regardless the show type
6.1.6	Addition	Cats that are part of the practical examination shall only be presented to the candidate by the stewards
6.1.6	Addition	Cats judged by the candidate of the practical examination, need not necessarily be judged by the examiners
6.1.6	Addition	The candidate of the practical examination must not hear or see judgements of the cats in the category concerned
6.8.1	Change	Judges' reports issued for breeds in preliminary recognition phase must be written only in one of the official FIFe languages and contain as many details as possible with reference to the standards
Annex 2	Addition	Belarus and Russia (until 31.12.2021)
Annex 4	Change	Exception for Asia and Latin America extended until 31.12.2020
Table of faults 1.9	Change	Any fixed deviation of the sternum or xiphisternum: moved from "No certificate" to "Disqualifying fault"
Table of faults 6.1	Change	All white spots which are not allowed in the standard: moved from "Disqualifying fault" to "No Excellent"
Table of faults 7.2	Change	Any deformities of the tail, for example a kink or a knot: except for neuters aged 10 months and older, bobtailed breeds and house cats
2019		Show Rules
1.15.b	Addition	Last minute entries accepted after the catalogue is printed may compete when the relevant information of these exhibits is published as an annex to the catalogue
2.3	Rewording	Qualifications for the World Show
2.3	Addition	Qualifications obtained during the 13 months period prior to the World Show by cats belonging to breeds resp. varieties in preliminary recognition phase are valid if the breed resp. variety achieves full recognition prior to the date of the World Show
4.9.7.2	Rewording	A referee judge is a judge officiating at the show who is qualified to judge the presented breeds but who did not participate in voting in the particular panel
8.2.4	Deletion	Expiration date of the Open Doors policy
Annex 1	Change	Exception extended until 31.12.2021
Annex 1	Addition	Ukraine
Table of faults 9.2	Addition	PEB (Peterbald)
2020		Show Rules
1.15	Addition	All cats shall appear in the catalogue and compete in accordance with FIFe rules
2.4	Addition	The World Winners will be listed on the FIFe website
2.6.5	Addition	The year of the show in the appropriate Winner title of cats winning at the Best in Show
4.1.1	Addition	Preliminary recognised varieties of a recognised breed can receive the titles PCH, PPR, PIC or PIP
4.1.1	Deletion	All FIFe show titles are to be displayed by their abbreviation only, except the WW title
5.5.2	Change	Article title from 'Non-recognised or preliminary recognised varieties' to "Non-recognised varieties"
5.5.2	Move	Rules for preliminary recognised varieties to § 5.5.4
5.5.3	Change	Article title from 'Non-recognised breeds and house cats' to "Non-recognised breeds (non * and XLH/XSH)"

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5.5.3	Move	Rules for house cats to § 5.5.5
5.5.4	Change	Article title from “Preliminary recognised breeds” to “Preliminary recognised varieties and breeds”. Rules for preliminary recognised breeds and for preliminary recognised varieties of a breed are now identical.
5.5.4	Move	Rules for preliminary recognised varieties from § 5.5.2
5.5.5	New	Article for house cats
5.5.5	Move	Rules for house cats from § 5.5.3
6.1.9	Addition	Judges are entitled to reimbursement of expenses and allowance in euro currency
8.2.2.c	Change	In accordance with the instructions of the organisers instead of: countersigned by the exhibitor's own organisation
Annex 1	Deletion	The list of countries having an exception with an expiration date: Bulgaria, Greece, Ukraine
Annex 1	Addition	To the list of countries with a permanent exception: Russia and the United Kingdom
Table Categories at shows	Change	Preliminary recognised varieties are not listed with the EMS code "x" because this letter applies only to non-recognized varieties. For example: BEN ns * and not BEN x ns *
2022		Show Rules
1.8.g	Change	Minimum number of cats required for International shows in certain countries reduced from 100 to 80
1.11	Deletion	It is not permitted to organize any combination of show types which would offer any cat the possibility to obtain more than 2 certificates during 2 consecutive days
1.11	Addition	New show type: 3 certificates on 2 consecutive days
2.2	Addition	All granted applications of the World Show shall be listed
2.6.6 / Annexes 1, 3, 5	Deletion	Israel (no longer FIFe Member in this country)
2.6.6	Addition	Denmark to the group organising the Scandinavian Winner Show
2.7	Change	Article title: Specific rules for the World Show and Winner Shows
2.7	Move	Certificates from § 2.9
2.7	Addition	During the World Show and Winner Shows judges shall judge a maximum of 60 cats
2.9	Move	Certificates to § 2.7
4.1.1	Addition	Winner title: Distinguished Senior Winner (DSW)
4.18	New	Title: Distinguished Senior Winner (DSW)
4.9.7	Deletion	The exception of the validity of votes issued by probational judges who already are International judges in another category, since after passing the stages in the first category, no stages are required in any next category
6.2.3	Addition	The categories in which the steward has presented cats in the Best in Show panel must be indicated on the steward certificate
Annex 1	Change	Minimum number of cats required for International shows reduced from 100 to 80
Annex 2	Change	Exception prolonged until 31.12.2026
Annex 4	Deletion	Expiration date; annex 4 is now a permanent exception
Annex 5	Addition	Malaysia to the list of countries having an exception of 3x times Best in Show for the Junior Winner title
Annex 2A, 3A, 5A, 6	Addition	COVID-19 exceptions for the year 2022 with reference to § 1.8.a, 2.3, 2.6.2, 2.6.4, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5
Table Categories at shows	Change	EMS code and description for Japanese Bobtail: JBS – Japanese Bobtail Shorthair
Table Categories at shows	Deletion	Bengal silver varieties (BEN ns *) no longer preliminary, but fully recognised varieties
2023		Show Rules
1.1.d	Deletion	Two shows within a week can take place
1.3	Addition	Show types according § 1.11.g and § 1.11.h (as a result of accepted 2021 GA proposal)

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Article	Status	Remarks
1.11.g, 1.11.h	Addition	New show types (as a result of accepted 2021 GA proposal)
2.6.2	Change	Announcement time for Winner Shows from 2 to 1 year in advance
2.6.6	Addition	Central European Winner Show
4.1.1	Addition	Central European Winner title
4.9.4.5	Addition	DSW title (as a result of accepted 2021 GA proposal)
6.1.9	Addition	Definition of the judges' allowance
6.1.9	Addition	Payment method and payment of reimbursement
Annexes 2A, 3A, 5A and 6	Deletion	COVID-19 exceptions
All	Deletion	References to deleted Annexes 2A, 3A, 5A and 6
Table of faults 9.1	Addition	Faults leading to disqualification: LYO (Lykoi)
Table of Faults 9.2	Addition	Faults precluding the certificate: BOM (Bombay), LYO (Lykoi)
Table Categories at shows	Addition	Preliminary recognised breed: BOM (Bombay) in category 3
Table Categories at shows	Addition	Preliminary recognised breed: LYO (Lykoi) in category 4
2024		Show Rules
2.6.2	Change	Winner Shows may take place in any month of the year, except October and November
2.6.6	Addition	Black Sea Winner Show
3.4	Change	Unneutered house cats aged 12 months or older are not admitted to shows
4.1.1	Addition	Kitten Champion, Junior Champion and Black Sea Winner titles
4.1.2	Addition	Names of certificates towards Kitten Champion resp. Junior Champion titles and their abbreviations (CACC resp. CACJ)
4.2	Addition	Requirements to obtain the title Kitten Champion resp. Junior Champion
4.6	Addition	Approval of Kitten Champion and Junior Champion titles
4.7	Addition	No requirement for going to a higher class after obtaining all required certificates in classes 11 or 12
4.9.4	Change	Minimum required numbers for Breed Best in Show: 40 for the breed concerned and 30 for the other breeds in the relevant category
4.9.7	Addition	Voting and the result of the Best in Show must be presented also in English if another language is used
4.17	Change	Registration of National Winner title including the year the title is obtained
5.4, 4.8.c	Change	Ages for classes 9 (open), 10 (neuter) and 13a (novices): 12 months and older
5.4	Change	Age for class 11 (junior): from 8 to 12 months
5.4	Change	Age for class 12 (kitten): from 4 to 8 months
5.4	Addition	CACJ-certificate in class 11 and CACC-certificate in class 12
6.9	Addition	Minimum number of points required to obtain the CACJ-certificate in class 11 resp. the CACC-certificate in class 12: 93 points
6.9	Addition	Awarding CACC- and CACJ-certificates at shows
Annex 1	Addition	Belarus – minimum of 80 cats at international shows
Annex 2	Addition	Italy and Norway – 5x CACIB/CAPIB by at least 3 different judges
Annex 4	Reorganisation	To annex 4A/4B
Annex 4B	Change	Indonesia – at least 2 different judges for certificates in classes 7 resp. 8
Annex 4B	Addition	Indonesia – at least 2 different judges for certificates in classes 9 resp. 10
Table Best of Variety	Change	Ages for kittens, juniors and adults
Table of faults	Change	Faults 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 7.2: age 12 months

4 Rules for Judges & Student Judges

Article	Status	Remarks
2002 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
All articles	New	Articles given a title, table of contents provided. Grammatical errors and references to articles corrected.
	Change	CHF and LUF changed to EUR, new daily allowance
2.10	New	Updating judges
3.1	New	Day for FIFe seminar
3.1	New	FIFe seminar held in 2 languages
5.1.14.4	Addition	Exception for study of SOK
5.1.14.8	Deletion	Requirement for existing judges to do parallel judging
2003 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
-	Change	Re-structuring -numbering of the articles
2.8.5	Change	50 cats in classes 1-10 for stages
5.1.14.6	Change	Not permitted to undertake training in all 4 categories during the same training period
5.2.6	Addition	Theoretical examination may be taken during the compulsory student seminar
5.2.12	Change	Appropriate change to 5.1.14.6
5.2.13.1 5.2.13.3	Change	Theoretical exam to start before official judging. Practical exam to start with the official judging. Questions can be selected by the JLO Commission
-	Correction	Orthographical corrections
6.1	Change	Complaints must be forwarded in one of the three official languages of FIFe
2004 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.3	Change	Conditions for # in official list
2.8.2	Change	Conditions for FIFe judges, officiating at non-FIFe shows
2.10	Deletion	Deletion of last paragraph
5.1.10.1	Deletion	Amount of cats for a full student judge's certificate
5.2.6	Change	Theoretical exam may be done at FIFe Judges Seminar
5.2.9	Change	Three times judging before the next examination
2005 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.8.5	Change	Already accredited judges only need to do 1 stage
5.1.3.2	Change	Preliminary exam defined
5.2.5	Change	Choice of FIFe language for the exam
5.2.10	Change	Deputising judges must be officiating at show.
2006 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.7, 5.2, 6.4.2	Deletion	Amount of fees
2.7, 5.2, 6.4.2	Addition	Reference to Annex 1 of the General Rules
3.1	Addition	Time limit on notifying Seminar attendance
2.8.2	Transfer	FIFe judges officiating at non-FIFe shows: must be stated in catalogue that they are FIFe judges, transferred from Gen. Rules 23 c
2.1	Transfer	FIFe judges on CFA shows outside Europe and vice versa, transferred from Gen. Rules 23g
6.3	Transfer	Documents to be send in original or as certified copies, transferred from General Rules article 30
6.4	Change	Old Art. 6.3 (6.3.1, 6.3.2 and 6.3.3) to become 6.4 (6.4.1, 6.4.2, 6.4.3)
5.1.3.3	Change and partially deleted	Additions and partial deletions regarding the Preliminary examination
5.2.13	Addition	Examiners and candidate able to communicate in the same language
5.2.13.1	Change	Time-change theoretical exam. Exam set by JSC sent to examining judges.

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Article	Status	Remarks
5.1.14.8	Deletion	All previous exceptions for student judges whether judges or not with respect to examination requirements. All rules immediately valid for everyone as from 01.01.06
5.1.14.1	Change	Compulsory seminar can be 1 day; in show calendar
2.9.4	Addition	Judges reports to be legible
Annex 1	Addition	Annex to Judges rules: Judges must follow the FIFe Rules
2007 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.8.1	Change	Judges engagement form
-	Change, Update and Correction	A complete review done by the JSC of the Rules for Judges.
5.1.13	Addition	Student judges may train in 2 categories in one training period
5.1.16.6	Deletion	Limitations student judge training
5.1.10.1	Deletion	3 years between categories
2008 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
-	Correction Layout	Judges Rules now 20 pages, in all languages the same
5.1.3.3	Addition	Two month time-frame to send the exam application for preliminary exam
5.1.10	Rewording and addition	Obligation to use official FIFe student judges' certificates
5.1.17	Rewording and addition	More detailed explanation of obligatory mid-stream assessment
5.1.14.8	New	New conditions for parallel judging, obligation to use special form
5.1.14.9	New	Show-organiser conditions when having a parallel judging
5.2.4	Rewording and addition	Exam fee split three-ways, between judge, show-organiser and FIFe
2009 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.8.4.1	New	Dormant Judges
2.8.5	Correction	EC/EP changed to new titles SC/SP (Supreme Champion/Premior)
2.8.6.1	Clarification	Requirements to be instructor for student judges
2.8.7	New	Mentor Judges
2.9.1	Addition of new paragraph	Judges to accept only invitations to shows, which are listed in the official Show List
2.9.8	Rewording and addition	Clarification of transfer of an exhibit during judging
2.10	Addition	Answers of judges updating questionnaires sent to JSC Secretary
2.11	New	Conditions for reactivation of Dormant Judges
5.1.3.3	New	Possible exceptions to the requirements to become a student judge
5.1.5	Correction	Reference to relevant article corrected, now 5.1.3.4
5.1.7	Change	Obligation to train under the guidance of a Mentor Judge in candidate's first category
5.1.7.1	New article	Detailed explanation of admission to and the requirements of obligatory mid-stream assessment and the obligation to use special form
5.1.7.2	New article	Detailed explanation of training after midstream assessment
5.1.11, 5.1.12	Change	Renumber student assignments per category
5.1.13	Change	Training period for Category I and IV a minimum of 1.5 years and for Categories II and III, two years
5.1.14.1	Change	The compulsory seminar will equal 50 cats judged
5.1.14.3	Change	Renumber student training assignments in foreign countries for different categories
5.1.14.7	Change	Attendance at a judges seminar equals 30 cats judged
5.1.14.8	Addition	Students who are already judges only need 30 cats in parallel judging
5.2.3	Addition	Specifications of requirements for exam application
5.2.4	Addition	Examination fee to be forwarded by the FIFe Member

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Article	Status	Remarks
5.2.5	Change, deletion and transfer	Candidate must be 21 years of age on the day of the examination; deleted admission to the show hall before examination transferred to art. 5.2.13.3
5.2.7	Deletion	Written permission for the examination to be shown to examiners
5.2.11	deletion and addition	FIFe General Secretary informs the FIFe Member about the exam result
5.2.12	Addition	Period of time to progress to a 3 category or All Breed Judge not less than 4, respectively 7 years
5.2.13.1	Change	One week time-frame for JSC to send the exam to examiners
5.2.13.3	Transfer	Transferred from 5.2.5 : admission to the show hall before examination
New chapter 7	New	Non-European FIFe Members as new section; renumber 6.4.1 to 7.1, of 6.4.3 to 7.2; new art. 7.3. with sub-articles: set of rules for training of student judges of Non-European FIFe Members and criteria for their judges to become International Judges
2010 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.3	Correction Rewording	Reference to relevant article corrected, now 3.3 Notes: b) attendance at compulsory seminar accredited once in nine years
2.6.1	Deletion	Possibility for judges to be direct attached to FIFe
2.8.6.3	Addition	Possibility to take exam at 2-day show, split categories
2.8.6.5	Deletion	Int. FIFe Judges, directly attached to FIFe, as students
2.9.1	Addition	Judges must react to written invitations within 1 month
2.9.10, 7.3.1.15	Change	The showing of cats by household members of a student judge
Chapter 3	Rename, Renumber and reorganise	Chapter 3 Seminars; art. 3.1.; 3.2.; 3.3 –moved art. 5.1.14.1; 3.4 reference to relevant article corrected, now 3.3; 3.5
3.2	Addition	2/3rds of the content of the seminar related to aspects and areas of judging in FIFe
4.1	Change	Steward at least 15 years of age
4.4	New article	Training of Stewards
5.1.3.4, 7.3.1.3.4	Addition	Detailed specification of the requirements of application form for admission of a student judge
5.1.7.1, 7.3.1.7.1	Addition	Mid-stream assessment obligatory only in first category
5.1.8	Change	Application procedure to be a student judge at a show
5.1.9	Deletion	Admission as student judge at a show abroad
5.1.14.1	Transfer	To article 3.3: compulsory seminar for student judges
5.2.6	Change and correction	40 Cats entered in category I for examination; reference to relevant article corrected, now 3.3;
5.2.13.1, 7.3.2.10.1	Deletion	Last part of 3 rd bullet: "...together with topics discussed during the compulsory seminars for student judges"
Complete Rules	Corrections	Extensive check and correction of grammatical errors and vocabulary used.
Status of Change	Change	All references now article numbers instead of page numbers; total amount of pages, 32.
2011 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
Name change	Change	Now: "Rules for Judges & Student Judges"
1.2	Delete	Judges Training Programme
2.3	Change and addition	ISO reference added – addition of "M" for mentors – publication on FIFe website
2.6.2	Delete	Judges as breeders and exhibitors
2.8.7	Change	Seminar once every 3 year for Mentor judges is recommended – valid immediately, as from 01.06.2010
2.9	Delete and Transfer	Delete article 2.9.11 – Transfer of the rest of article 2.9 and all sub articles to the Show Rules

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Article	Status	Remarks
Chapter 4	Delete and Transfer	Delete article 4.2 – Transfer of the rest of the chapter Stewards to the Show Rules
5.1.11	Change and addition	Combine old articles 5.1.11, part of 5.1.13 and 5.1.14.3 into one reworded article 5.1.11 and renumber
5.1.12	Change and addition	Combine old articles 5.1.12 and part of 5.1.13 into one reworded article 5.1.12 - added minimum time and exception for cat. III judges training in I and IV – changed title of art. 5.1.12 and renumber
5.1.14.5	Addition	Training outside the Show hall and renumber
5.2.4, 7.3.2.4	Change	Clarification about division of the examination fee
Annex 2	Addition	Changes to the rules apply from date of validation
2.4.1 [5.1.12]	Change and addition	Added exception for further training for Judges accredited in at least 2 categories
2012 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
All articles	Reorganized	Reorganized in new chapter division and grammar corrections
1.8 [6.3]	Change	Change in header of the article
2.1.4.2 [5.1.1] 4.1.1.2 [7.3.1.1]	Change	“to apply to become Student Judge”
2.1.4.4 [5.1.3.2] 4.1.1.3 [7.3.1.3.2]	Delete	Delete last sentence where category of litter bred is specified
2.1.8 [5.1.11]	Change	Change in header of the article
2.1.9 [5.1.8]	Delete	Deleted the word “orally”: Students must be answers in writing
2.1.11 [5.1.7.1]	Change	Midstream: rewording of first part of article and introduction of reference to art. 2.1.9 [5.1.8]
2.1.14 [5.1.13]	Delete	Deleted second sentence: repetition of the same concept
2.1.15 [5.1.14.3]	Addition	Added the colours/patterns to be examined by Students
2.1.17 [5.1.14.4]	Change	Changed the word “supervisor” into “representative”
2.3.5 [5.2.3] 4.2.1 [7.3.2.3]	Addition	Use of an official form for the final exam application
2.4.2	New article	Further training for Judges – parallel judging
2.4.3	New article	Further training for Judges – stages
3.1 [2.1]	Delete	Reference to art. 3.4 and delete reference to non-European Judges and to CFA Judges and shows
3.4 [2.8.1]	Change and addition	Judges Engagement forms – change and rewording
3.7 [2.8.2]	Addition	Limit to participation of Judges in non-FIFe shows
4.1.2 [7.3.1.9]	Change and addition	Combine art. 7.3.1.9 and part of art. 7.3.1.10 into one reworded article – changed minimum time for cat. II and changed header
4.2.5 [7.3.2.12]	Delete	Deleted paragraph about stages for already accredited Judges
4.2.6 [7.3.2.13]	Change and addition	Change of title and addition of Mentor Judge for non European Student Judges
4.3.1	New article	Further training for non-European Judges – number of cats
2013 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
1.8	Addition	Documents can be submitted electronically
2.1.4.5 – 4.1.1.4	Deleted	Delete exceptions
2.1.15	Addition	Exception for KBS and SYL to be seen before the final exam
2.2.4	New article	Breed Seminars for Student Judges
2.4.1	Addition	Time frame for Students already Judges in 2 categories
3.7	Addition	Limit for FIFe Judges to judge at non-FIFe shows
3.10	Clarification	Of the fact that it is understood that a dormant judge has not judged at all during the past two years. If a judge has judged only once or twice, he is not “active” (3x judging) but also not dormant

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3.7	Addition	<i>“in countries where a FIFe-Member exists”.</i> This was added as a result of discussions on this proposal during the GA 2012. (31.01.13)
2014 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
1.6	Change	Written complaints against judges are to be dealt with by the Board instead of by the Judges & Standards Commission
2.1.15	Addition	Exception for ACS to be seen before taking the judges exam
2.1.16	Deletion	National training seminars
2.3.8, 4.2.4	Change	Instead of both only one of the examining judges must have participated at least once during the preceding three years in a seminar
2.3.13, 4.2.5	Change	3 – 10 months to 4 – 10 months
2.4.1, 4.1.2, 4.3.1	Change	The training period of student judges starts from the date of approved admission as a student judge in the category
2.4.3, 4.2.5	Change	For an already accredited Judge in at least two categories, the stage is no longer required
3.7	Change	Permission procedure for FIFe Judges to officiate at non-FIFe shows
2015 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.1.10	Change	Only cats judged in the presence of the instructing Judge may be taken into account on a Student Judge Certificate
2.1.10	Change	Student Judges are responsible for having the most recent version of the Student Judge Certificate form available
2.1.15	Change	Preliminary recognised breeds are not obligatory, but highly recommended to be seen
2.2.3	Addition	The compulsory Student Judges seminar will count only once for 50 cats and only for Student Judges in their first category
2.3.6	Addition	Theoretical examination sessions
2.3.8, 2.3.13, 4.2.4, 4.2.5	Deletion	References to deleted article 3.3.b
2.3.13, 4.2.5	Addition	Probational Judges are responsible for having the most recent version of the Stage Certificate form available
3.3.b	Deletion	Attendance at a compulsory Student Judges seminar, listed in article 2.2.3 may be accredited once in nine years (every 3 rd 3-year period)
2016 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.1.2	Addition	The FIFe Member to which the candidate belongs is entirely responsible for the conduct of the candidate and is empowered to apply disciplinary measures or suspend a Student Judge on either a temporary or permanent bases
2.1.15	Deletion	Exception for SYL (Seychellois Longhair): this breed is now considered to be varieties of BAL (Balinese)
2.2.2	Addition	In case when initially expected breeds are not present at a seminar, the organising FIFe Member must inform the enrolled Student Judges as soon as possible
4.2.2	Deletion	“from Europe” in “at least one International Judge from Europe”
Annex 3	New	Categories for judges training and examinations
2017 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.1.4.4	Deletion	Of the reference to the cattery name in the candidate’s household
2.2	Reorganization	All articles about Seminars
2.3.3	Change	The minimum age for taking the final Judges exam raised to 25 years
2.1.5, 2.1.8, 2.1.15, 2.1.16, 2.1.17, 2.1.18, 2.3.5, 2.3.6, 2.4.1, 2.4.4, 4.1.2, 4.1.3, 4.1.4, 4.3.1, 4.3.2	Change	Articles affected by changes necessary to realign the show categories with the Judges training categories for both European and Non European Judges: Training requirements, Judges Seminars, Parallel judging, Training in further categories, Breed Workshops, Training outside the show hall

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Article	Status	Remarks
Section 4	Addition	Clarification for NE members on validity of articles in sections 2 and 3
Annex 3	New	Temporary Breed Training for Judges to comply with the show categories (valid until 31.12.2021)
2018 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
1.3	Addition	Judge's evaluation for breeding purposes not allowed
2.1.6	Addition	Sitting with different instructing judges
2.1.9	Rewording	Student Judges must send a copy of ALL applications for all training activities to the FIFe Member, in which they hold their membership.
2.3.6	Change	Exams during GA week and examiners appointed by the Board
2.3.7.4	Addition	Requirements for the practical examination
2.3.10	Change	Examination results and forms
3.6	Addition	Non-FIFe judges cannot act as an instructing judge
3.7	Clarification	Participation at non-FIFe shows
Annex 3	Addition	Breed groups and Thai in breed group D
2019 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
1.7	Addition	Judges must be individual members of a National FIFe Member
2.1.4.2	Addition	At least six steward certificates must have been obtained abroad
2.1.5	Change	The preliminary exam can only be taken in the English language
2.1.17	Change	Training outside the show hall: a maximum of 5% of the actual number of cats is allowed
2.2.2 b)	Rewording	Breed workshops: a maximum of 50 cats is allowed
2.3.7.1	Addition	Theoretical part of exam can be taken separately from the practical part
2.3.11	Addition	If the practical part of the exam is failed, the theoretical part remains valid for 12 months
3.3	Change	Sending the printed Judges list in January
3.4	Change	The most recent Judge Engagement form is available on website. Only international shows are taken into account for being considered an active judge
3.9	Addition	Standard form for Mentor Judge application
3.12	Deletion	Judges update
2020 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.1.4.3	Change	To § 2.1.4.2: period of Stewarding
2.1.15	Delete	All breed exceptions
2.1.15	Addition	House cats in training programme
2.2.1 b)	Change	Compulsory Seminar can be organized also by FIFe Members
2.3.5	Change	As a result of implementation of theoretical exam sessions
2.3.6	Change	Implementation of theoretical exam sessions
2.3.7.1	Move	To § 4.2.2: latest times when theoretical exam should start
2.3.7.3	Change	Different theoretical exam questions from 3rd category on
2.3.8	Change	As a result of implementation of theoretical exam sessions
2.3.9	Move	To § 4.2.2: evaluation of theoretical part within 45 minutes
2.3.10	Change	As a result of implementation of theoretical exam sessions
2.3.11	Change	As a result of implementation of theoretical exam sessions
2.4.4	Change	10 times (8 times for non-European) judging before taking an exam
4.3.2	Change	in a further category
3.8.4	New	Not allowed to act as Student Judge at same show when Judging
4.2.2	Move	From § 2.3.7.1: latest times when theoretical exam should start
4.2.2	Move	From § 2.3.9: evaluation of theoretical part within 45 minutes
2022 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.1.4.2	Addition	Steward certificates must indicate in which categories the steward presented cats in the Best in Show
2.1.10	Addition	In case a certificate is marked "not acceptable", the instructing Judge is required to send a copy of the certificate to the FIFe Member of which the Student Judge is a member within one month of the show
2.3.5	Addition	Information regarding the practical examination when the practical part is not yet fixed on the exam application date and is taken separately from the theoretical examination
2.3.6	Addition	Theoretical examinations in connection with shows

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Article	Status	Remarks
2.3.7.1	Addition	Theoretical examination: a minimum of 80% of the possible marks must be achieved for the general part as well as for the category part in order to gain a pass
2.3.7.1	Move	From § 4.2.2: latest times when theoretical exam should start and time frame to evaluate the theoretical part
2.3.7.3	Change	Type of questions for the theoretical exam from 3rd category onwards: 5 questions regarding the Show Rules
2.3.13	Change	Only 1 stage of 30 cats required in first category
2.3.14	Clarification	Appointment as International Judge
2.4.3	Change	No stages after passing the examination from 2nd category onwards
2.4.4	Change	4 instead of 10 times judging before sitting examination in 2nd category
4.2.2	Move	Additional requirements to § 2.3.7.1
4.2.5	Deletion	All rules for stages for non-Europe; instead § 2.3.13 and 2.4.3 apply
4.3.2	Deletion	All rules for examinations in further categories for non-Europe; instead § 2.4.4 applies
Annex 3	Change	Expiration date for temporary breed training to 31.12.2026
2023 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
2.1.2	Addition	FIFe Member shall inform about Student Judges' change of membership
2.2.1.a	Change	Presence at the GA Seminar and certificate of attendance via email
3.1	Change	Change of address, email, telephone number and membership of FIFe Judges
3.7	Deletion	Restriction of 3 times per year judging at non-FIFe shows in countries where a FIFe Member exist
2024 Rules for Judges & Student Judges		
		No modifications

5 Breeding & Registration Rules

Article numbers below indicated between brackets [] refer to the article numbers before the reorganisation of the rules per 01.01.2011.

Article	Status	Remarks
2002 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All	New	Articles received titles, table of contents, correction of errors and of references to Articles. Status of Changes introduced, new edition
6 [2.6.3]	Correction	1st sentence deleted: NRR proposal 1, 2000
2003 Breeding & Registration Rules		
5.1.1 [4.4.1]	New	Kittens bred by a FIFe Member's member first to be registered in FIFe
4.3 [4.2.2]	New	Dilute modifier 'm'
9.1 [4.4.5.1]	Change	Cats either shown as Novice or looked at by 2 Int. FIFe judges in control class.
9.2 [4.4.5.2]	New	Definition of term Novice
6 [4.4.7.1]	New	MAN with 3 generations MAN (51, 52, 53, 54) to be registered in the LO
5.2.1 [5.2]	Addition	Add titles DSM, JW
All	Change	Recommendations become rules
Appendix I	Addition	Recommended standards for non-recognised breeds
2004 Breeding & Registration Rules		
6 [2.6.10]	Addition	Restriction novice class for KBL/KBS
3.6.2 [2.7.2, 2.7.3]	Addition	2.7.2 deleted and 2.7.3 Genetic Diseases added
9.1.3 [4.4.5.1]	Change	Removal of age from the Control Class
8.3 [4.4.6.1]	Addition	Munchkin not recognised and no EMS-code. No EMS- codes for wild cats.
[4.4.7.2]	Addition	Code 71 for straight-eared ACL/ACS
5.2.2 [5.1]	Change	General Rules Art. 15 substituted in 5.1, DM added.

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Article	Status	Remarks
Appendix I	Deletion	Appendix I (Table recommended standards for non-recognised breeds) deleted
2005 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All	Change	ORS/ORL changed to OSH/OLH
9.1 [4.4.5.1]	Addition	Target breed added.
2006 Breeding & Registration Rules		
6. [2.6.1]	Addition	Breeding restrictions for F1 to F4 Bengals
6. [2.6.3]	Change	Changes to Korat Breeding rules
6. [2.6.7]	Change	Restriction lifted and “target breed” added
6. [2.6.11]	Addition	Restrictions on colours in BUR
All	Change	(National) breeding Committee now FIFe Member
10.2 [4.6]	Change	Articles 4.6.1, 4.6.2, 4.6.3 & 4.6.4 regarding recognition
6.1 [4.1]	Correction	Table: corrected recommended outcross for SYL/SYS now SIA, OSH, BAL, OLH (20.05.06)
2007 Breeding & Registration Rules		
6.1 [4.1]	Addition	Inter-mating sister breeds added SYL, SYS
5.1.1 [4.4.1]	Addition	Clarification which titles cat loses if gained under mistaken identity: CH,PR,IC,IP,GIC,GIP,EC,EP
All	Revised	Total pages 21: article numbers remained unchanged
Appendix II	Addition	Registration examples for DSP and PEB (01.03.07)
2008 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All	Change	New name: Breeding & Registration Commission
6 [4.4.7.3]	New	EMS-codes “s” and “y” not for hairless cats
10.2.3 [4.6.3]	Addition	Change to recognition procedure new breeds. Preliminary titles PCH, PPR, PIC, PIP
6 [2.6.12]	New	EUR only in shorthair. Longhairs XLH
6 [2.6.13]	New	Cats with colours and pattern explicitly excluded in the NFO standard, to be registered as XLH
6 [2.6.3]	Addition	KOR novice only from Thailand: prove origin
5.2.1 [5.2]	Addition	Added in table: Distinguished Variety Merit - DVM
3.6.3 [2.7.3]	Clarification	Corrected layout to clarify what part of the text belongs to what breed (20.02.08)
4.2 [4.2.1]	Correction	“Cats” to “cat” as in the German and French Rules (01.04.08)
2009 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All	Addition	Two extra pages added – page numbers referred to in Status of Change page 2 corrected.
6 [2.6]	New	Clarification how to register all cats, showing characteristics specifically excluded in the standard
6 [2.6]	New	MCO, NFO, SIB and TUA not to be recognised in any pointed variety
6 [2.6.8]	New	NEM indicated as sister breed for SIB
6 [4.4.7]	Transfer	Transfer of breeds in article 4.4.7 to articles 2.6+7.5: 4.4.7.1 (MAN/CYM) is now 2.6.14 4.4.7.2 (ACL/ACS) is now 2.6.15 4.4.7.3 (SPH) is now 2.6.16 4.4.7.3 (DSP/PEB) is now 7.5
7.1 [7.3]	Transfer	Table 4.1: transferred from 7.3 (now deleted) – addition of preliminary recognised breeds
5.1.1 [4.4.1]	Change	Titles EC and EC changed into SC and SP
9.1.2 [4.4.5.1]	Correction	Control Class description corrected and clarification on how to qualify non-recognised breeds
9.2, [4.4.5.2, 4.4.5.4]	Correction	Addition of “I” for non-recognised breeds
8 [4.4.6]	Correction	Codes of Bombay and Pixiebob
6 [4.4.7]	Transfer	To articles 2.6 and 7.5
10.2.1 [4.6.1]	Change	“Presentation” instead of “Recognition” show
10.2.3 [4.6.3]	Addition	New requirements for full recognition of preliminary recognised breeds: health report and mentor
10.2.3 [4.6.3]	Deletion and addition	Delete show rules for preliminary recognised breeds and refer to article 5.5.3 of Show Rules
10.2.3 [4.6.3]	Addition	New requirement for full recognition of preliminary breeds: min. amount of 15 PIC/PIP titles

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Article	Status	Remarks
10.3 [4.6.4]	Correction and addition	Correction of “recognised” to “registered” and addition of requirement for full recognition of preliminary breeds: health status
5.2.1 [5.2]	Change, addition and clarification	Change of “European” to “Supreme” and “EC/EP” to “SC/SP”, addition of where and how to place all titles, including the WW, SW and preliminary titles
7 [7]	Correction	Deletion of superfluous information
[7.3]	Transfer	Moved to table 4.1
6.6.2 [7.5]	Transfer	From deleted article 4.4.7
Appendix III	New	Preliminary recognised breed Neva Masquerade (NEM)
2010 Breeding & Registration Rules		
Status of Changes	Change	Now mentioning article numbers instead of page numbers
6 [2.6]	Reorganisation	Sub-articles of article 2.6 renumbered in alphabetical order of EMS-breed code
6 [2.6.12]	New	No recognition for Ragdoll in any other colour variety than Siamese pointed with blue eyes
3.6.2 [2.7.3]	Addition	No recognition of new breeds showing specific characteristics
4.1 [4.2]	Addition	Definition of pedigree book and pedigree
4.2 [4.2.1]	Addition	Identifying code of both parents is required and must be printed on the pedigree
4.5 [4.2.4]	New	Minimum information on pedigree
4.6.1 [4.3.1]	Addition	Clarification of a transfer
4.6.2 [4.3.2]	Change	Reworded requirements when importing a pedigree from a non-FIFe organisation
5.1.3 [4.4.3]	Change	The international ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 code of country names must be used as a part of a registration number
9.1 [4.4.5.1]	Addition	Requirements and registration when cross-breeding
9.2.3 [4.4.5.4]	Transfer	Contents moved to article 4.4.5.1
8.2 [4.4.5.5]	New	Progeny of a cat entered in the RIEX register as a non-recognised breed with a preliminary abbreviation
8.1 [4.4.6]	Addition	In table: RGM non for RagaMuffin
8.1 [4.4.6]	Addition	Requirements and registration when breeding a non-recognised breed with a preliminary abbreviation
8.4 [4.4.6.2]	New	Breeding rule for Scottish Fold
10.3 [4.6.4]	Addition	Relevant protocols from commissions have to be included when applying for recognition
Appendix I	New	Recommended genetic tests before breeding
2011 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All articles	Reorganised	Reorganised in new chapter division and grammatical corrections
3.4 [2.4]	Deletion	Date for implementation microchip rule (01.01.2007)
3.4 [2.4]	Change	Should into must, to be in line with German and French version
3.5 [2.5]	Addition	National restrictions re. cats not allowed for breeding
3.6.2 [2.7.3]	Addition	Pseudo-achondroplasia
3.6.2 [2.7.3]	Addition	No new hairless breeds
4.1/4.2 [4.2.1/4.2]	Transfer	Part of article 4.2 moved to 4.1
4.1 [4.2.1]	Addition	No obligation for identifying code for parents of a cat imported from a non-FIFe organisation
4.5 [4.2.4]	Addition	Obligation to issue pedigrees to individual members only
4.5 [4.2.4]	Addition	Phenotype and name of breeder on pedigree
4.6.1 [4.3.1]	Addition	Faults and violations of B&R rules must be corrected
4.6.1 [4.3.1]	Addition	Definition of a transfer
4.6.2 [4.3.2]	Addition	Faults and violations of B&R rules must be corrected
4.6.2 [4.3.2]	Addition	No downgrading from LO to RIEX when requirements for LO are fulfilled resp. no upgrading from RIEX to LO when requirements for LO are not fulfilled
5 [4.4.4]	Deletion	National registration
5.1.1 [4.4.1]	Clarification	Wording for genotype/phenotype the same as in Show Rules
5.2.2 [5.2]	Addition	New title – National winner

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Article	Status	Remarks
6 [2.6]	Change and addition	Changes and corrections regarding specifically excluded colours and patterns. New sub articles for JBT, MCO, TUA; all sub articles always in order of EMS breed code. Clarification of the term originating breed.
6 [7.2]	Transfer	DSP moved from preliminary recognised breeds to recognised breeds
6 [2.6.14]	Deletion	Obsolete restrictions for SIA/BAL
6.1 [4.1]	Deletion	In table: column Recommended outcross
8.4 [4.4.6.2]	Change	Registration of SFL non and SFS non
9.1.1 [4.4.5.1]	Clarification	Rules for crossbreeding not applicable to sister breeds
9.1.2 [4.4.5.1]	Clarification	Procedure for registration as XLH/XSH with a target breed
9.1.3 [4.4.5.1]	Clarification	Procedure for re-registration in the target breed
9.2.2 [4.4.5.2]	Change	Registration of novices as XLH/XSH
9.2.3 [4.4.5.2]	Change	Registration of novices as XLH/XSH with a target breed
5.3.1	Addition	All FIFe titles are only available for FIFe registered cats (01.06.11)
5.3.1	Addition	All FIFe show titles are to be displayed by their abbreviation only, except the WW title (01.06.11)
2012 Breeding & Registration Rules		
3.5	Change	Obligatory test of white cats
3.5	Change	No breeding with cats suffering from osteochondrodysplasia (consistency correction)
3.6.1	Addition	Health examinations and a new Appendix
3.6.2	Deletion	Text regarding thorough medical research
4.1	Transfer	Article moved from Article 6 in the Rules for Cattery Names
4.2	Clarification	Only LO registration for fully recognised breeds, additional demands in article 4.5
5.1.1	Addition	Breeders must have a FIFe Cattery Name
5.1.2.3	New	New codes for registration of genotype for amber: dt (d) and et (e)
5.2	Transfer	To new article 5.3
5.2	New	Rules for Cattery Names inserted as article 5.2 with sub-articles; following sub-articles renumbered
5.2.6	Clarification	Conditions for deletion of a cattery name
6.1.1	Clarification	Definition of sister breeds
6.1.2	New	Definition of pure-breeding
6.4	Change	Reference to SFL non and SFS non changed to osteochondrodysplasia.
6.5	Addition	DNA test for BUR regarding GM2
6.15	Addition	DNA test for NFO regarding GSD IV
6.17	Transfer	From article 7.1: fully recognised PEB Following sub-articles renumbered
7	Addition	Description of the procedure if a preliminary recognised breed is not fully recognised.
7.1	Transfer	To article 6.17: fully recognised PEB
8.1	Change	Responsibility for maintaining the list of abbreviations for non recognised breeds to the Board.
8.1	Deletion	PBL non, PBS non, SFL non and SFS non deleted from list of preliminary abbreviations for non-recognised breeds
8.2, 9.1.1	Addition	Permission to a breeding program can be for a longer period
8.2	Change	Change of article heading
8.2	Transfer	Part of article moved from article 8.1
8.4	Change	Reference to SFL non and SFS non changed to osteochondrodysplasia and new text inserted
9.2.1	Addition	Reference to chapter 6 for novices
10.2.2	Deletion	Note regarding 2 nd requirement, 2 nd hyphen
10.2.2, 10.2.3	Addition	Conditions for recognition of a new colour variety/breed
Appendix I	Change	Retinal Degeneration II (CEP290/rdAc-PRA)
Appendix I	Addition	Buccal swabs
Appendix II	New	Obligatory and recommended health examinations
2013 Breeding & Registration Rules		
2.3.3	Clarification	Vaccinations specified

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Article	Status	Remarks
3.5, 3.6	Renumbered	Renumbered current article 3.5 into article 3.6 Renumbered current article 3.6 into article 3.5
3.5.1	Addition	Registration and publication of test results
3.6	Addition	Only further health restrictions permitted for cats not allowed for breeding on national level
3.6	Clarification	Copy of condition from article 3.1 inserted for cats not allowed for breeding
3.6.1	New	“Wild” cats and new breeds based on “wild” cats
3.6.1	Move	Article 8.3 moved to article 3.6.1
3.6.1	Addition	Reference to article 13.1 in the General Rules added
3.6.2	New	Cats suffering from (pseudo-)achondroplasia or osteochondrodysplasia
3.6.2	Move	Part of article 8.3 and 8.4 moved to article 3.6.2
4.5	Addition	Available information must be printed in pedigree
4.6.1, 4.6.2, 5.1.1, 5.1.3, 9.1.1, 9.1.3, 10.2.3	Change	“LO or RIEG register” changed into “Pedigree book”
5.2.2	Deletion	ISO country code for cattery names deleted
5.2.2	Addition	Restrictions for the name of a cattery
5.2.3	Clarification	Clarification and moving lines from other articles
5.3.1	Addition	FIFe titles are available to house cats of individual members
6.5	Addition	BUR – novices are not permitted for breeding
6.5	Clarification	BUR – originating breed added
6.5	Change	BUR – line about veterinarian certificate/test results changed into a reference to article 3.5.1
6.6	Change	DSP – conditions for registration changed
6.10	Change	KOR – line about veterinarian certificate/test results changed into a reference to article 3.5.1
6.10	Clarification	KOR – originating breed added
6.11	Clarification	MAN/CYM – CYM added
6.15	Change	NFO – line about veterinarian certificate/test results changed into a reference to article 3.5.1
6.17	Change	PEB – conditions for registration changed
6.19	Clarification	RUS – originating breed added
6.20	Addition	SYL and SYS added to the article
6.25	New	TUV
7.1	New	SIN (Singapore) – preliminary recognised breed
7.2	New	SIN – registration of varieties excluded in the breed standard
8.3, 8.4	Move	Moved to article 3.6.1 and 3.6.2
9.2.1	Addition	Novices: BUR
10.2.2, 10.2.3	Addition	Presentation at FIFe events
10.2.3	Addition	Can be bred by a FIFe breeder
2014 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All	Changed	“Colour variety” changed to “variety”
3.1	Move	To article 3.6 and 3.6.3
3.6	Addition	Addition, move from article 3.1 and partly moved to article 3.6.3
3.6.3	Clarification	Examples and clarification regarding the breeding and promotion of these cats
3.6.4	New / Move	New article for breeding with white cats, partly moved from article 3.6
5.1.1	Addition	Pedigree must be issued for kittens born in FIFe
5.1.1	Addition	Change of a once registered EMS code
5.1.1	Addition	Addition as a consequence of a change in the Show Rules
5.3.1	Addition	All certificates for a CH/PR, IC/IP, GIC/GIP, SC/SP title must have been obtained in the same variety (EMS code) / group
6.1, 6.4	Change	“British” changed to “British Shorthair”
6.4	Addition	How to register shaded (11) and shell (12) cats in British Shorthair (BRI)
6.17	Change	Peterbald brush (PEB * 83) recognised variety

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7.1	New	LaPerm Longhair/Shorthair (LPL/LPS) new preliminary recognised breeds
7.2	New	Rules for LaPerm Longhair/Shorthair (LPL/LPS)
7.3	Move	Singapura (SIN) from article 7.2
8.1	Deleted	LPL non and LPS non
8.1	Deleted	Preliminary abbreviations for non-recognised breeds Ceylon (CEY non), California Spangled (CLS non) and Sterling (STE non)
8.1	Addition	Preliminary abbreviation for non-recognised breed Mekong Bobtail (MBT non)
8.1	Change	Preliminary abbreviation for non-recognised breeds Asian Longhair (ASL non) and Asian Shorthair (ASS non) changed to ALH non and ASH non
9.1.3.1.a	Change	Minimum age changed from 3 to 4 months (23.01.14)
10.1	Change	Definition of a variety
10.2.1	Change	Inclusion of "Presentation shows" in the title of the article
10.2.1	Move	Identical conditions from articles 10.2.2 and 10.2.3 to 10.2.1
10.2.1	Addition	Relevant documents for commissions to be send 2 months before presentation shows
10.2.1	Change	Conditions for presence of commission members at presentation shows
10.2.1	Change	Minimum age of cats present at presentation shows changed from 6 to 4 months
10.2.3	Change	Conditions for generations prior to the actual cat
Appendix I	Addition	Hypokalaemia (BHK): BML, BUR, SIN
Appendix I	Addition	For Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency (PK): LPL, LPS, SIN
6.1	Move	Singapura (SIN) from article 7.1 (01.10.15)
6.22 – 6.25	Renumbering	To 6.23 – 6.26 (01.10.15)
6.22	Move	Singapura (SIN) from article 7.3 (01.10.15)
7.1	Move	Singapura (SIN) to article 6.1 (01.10.15)
7.3	Move	Singapura (SIN) to article 6.22 (01.10.15)
2015 Breeding & Registration Rules		
4.5	Modification + Addition	Information about the ancestors
4.5	Deletion	Requirement to include the complete original registration number for great-great-grandparents
4.6.1	Deletion	Transfer declaration
6.1	New	BLH non is a sister breed of BRI
6.4	Deletion	BRI: not recognising longhair in the breed
6.4	Addition	BLH non (British Longhair)
6.6	Change	DSP: registration of tabby, silver and golden
6.17	Change	PEB: registration of tabby, silver and golden
7.1	Move	SRL, SRS and THA from article 8.1
7.3	New	Rules for Selkirk Rex Longhair/Shorthair (SRL/SRS)
7.4	New	Rules for Thai (THA)
8.1	New	British Longhair (BLH non)
8.1	Move	SRL, SRS and THA to article 7.1
8.3	New	Rules for British Longhair (BLH non)
9.1.3.1.b, 9.1.3.2.a, 9.2.3.b	Deletion	The word "international" in "two international FIFe judges" (also non-European FIFe judges can judge these classes)
9.1.3.1.b, 9.1.3.2.a, 9.2.3.b	Addition	In accordance with Show Rules article 5.4
9.2.1	Correction	KOR added (in accordance with article 6.10)
9.2.1	Addition	Thai (THA)
10	Move	Old rules applicable to LPL/LPS to appendix III.1
10	Change	Procedure for recognition of a new breed
11	Move + Change	Procedure for recognition of a new variety (used to be in chapter 10)
Appendix I	Addition	Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD1/AD-PKD): SRL, SRS, BLH non

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Appendix II	Addition	Electrocardiogram or ultrasound examination for heart disease: SRL, SRS, BLH non
Appendix III.1	Move	Rules applicable to LPL/LPS from old chapter 10
Appendix III.2	New	Exceptions to the rules in chapter 10 applicable to breeds preliminary recognised per 01.01.2015 (SRL/SRS, THA)
10.2015 Breeding & Registration Rules		
6.1	Move	LaPerm Longhair/Shorthair (LPL/LPS) from § 7.1
6.11 – 6.26	Renumbering	To 6.12 – 6.27
6.11	Move	LaPerm Longhair/Shorthair (LPL/LPS) from § 7.2
7.1	Move	LaPerm Longhair/Shorthair (LPL/LPS) to § 6.1
7.2	Move	LaPerm Longhair/Shorthair (LPL/LPS) to § 6.11
7.3 – 7.4	Renumbering	To 7.2 – 7.3
Appendix III.1	Deletion	Rules for full recognition process LPL/LPS
2016 Breeding & Registration Rules		
All	Deletion	All occurrences of SYL/SYS (Seychellois Longhair/Shorthair) since these breeds are considered to be varieties of BAL/SIA
All	Change	All occurrences of BLH non to BLH since this breed has obtained preliminary recognition
All	Change	EMS code for British Shorthair from BRI to BSH
3.1	Clarification	All cats are allowed for breeding unless when restricted by the Breeding & Registration Rules or national rules with regard to health issues
3.2	Addition	Studs may not be used for matings which will result in unregistered kittens
3.6	Addition	It is not permitted to consider cats not allowed for breeding based on the sole fact they have not obtained whichever qualification at shows
4.3	Addition	When cats fulfil all the requirements for entry in the LO register, it is not permitted to enter them in (or to downgrade them to) the RIEX register based on the sole fact they have not obtained whichever qualification at shows
5.3	Addition	New Winner Show titles
6.4	Deletion	BRI: how to register longhair cats
6.4	Deletion	BRI: inter-mating with BLH without permission, since breeding with preliminary recognised breeds does not require permission
7.2 – 7.3	Renumbering	To 7.3 – 7.4
7.1	Move	Preliminary recognised BLH from § 8.1
7.2	Move	Rules for preliminary recognised BLH from § 8.1
7.2	Addition	BLH: rules for registration of tipped cats (shaded and shell)
8.1	Move	Preliminary recognised BLH to § 7.1
8.3	Move	Rules for preliminary recognised BLH to § 7.2
9.1.3	Clarification	When re-registering a cat in the target breed, the cat remains in the RIEX register (and never can be re-registered in the LO register)
9.1.4	New	Special EMS codes for the registration of XLH/XSH with certain target breeds
9.2.2, 9.2.3	Change	Registration rules for novices
10.2.3, 10.2.5, 11.2.5	Addition	The necessary information and documentation must be sent on a regular basis to the commissions. All such information and documentation must be received no later than the 1 st of January in order to forward the proposal to the General Assembly of the same year
10.2.4	Change	At least 15 cats must have the title PIC/PIP registered
2017 Breeding & Registration Rules		
5.3.1	Change	The description of all Winner and Merit titles will always be in the English language (this change only applies to the French edition of the Breeding & Registration Rules)
8.1, 8.2	Change	Clarification how to register cats belonging to non-recognised breeds which do not have an abbreviation for the breed in the EMS system
30.09.2017 Breeding & Registration Rules		
6.1	Move	Fully recognised breeds British Longhair (BLH), Selkirk Rex Longhair/Shorthair (SRL/SRS) and Thai (THA) from § 7.1

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6.4 (BLH)	Move	British Longhair from § 7.2 to existing article for British Shorthair
6.26 – 27	Renumbering	To 6.28 – 6.29
6.26 (SRL/SRS)	Move	Selkirk Rex Longhair/Shorthair from § 7.3
6.27 (THA)	Move	Thai from § 7.4
7.1	Move	Fully recognised breeds British Longhair (BLH), Selkirk Rex Longhair/Shorthair (SRL/SRS) and Thai (THA) to § 6.1
7.2 (BLH)	Move	British Longhair to § 6.4 (existing article for British Shorthair)
7.3 (SRL/SRS)	Move	Selkirk Rex Longhair/Shorthair to § 6.26
7.4 (THA)	Move	Thai to § 6.27
Appendix III	Deletion	Exceptions to the recognition process for some breeds (SRL/SRS and THA)
2018 Breeding & Registration Rules		
5.1.2.2, 5.1.2.3	Reorganisation	Sub article for breed specific modifiers
5.2.2	Change	Cattery names shall not contain more than 18 (instead of 15) letters or signs
6.3 (BEN)	Addition	Charcoal as a non-recognised variety in Bengal
6.5, 9.2.1 (BUR)	Deletion	Novices are not permitted for breeding
8.1	Addition	EMS code for non-recognised breed Lykoi (LYO non)
10.2.2, 10.2.4, 11.2.2, 11.2.4	Addition	All these cats must have pedigrees in accordance with § 4.5
2019 Breeding & Registration Rules		
5.3.2	Addition	DSM, DVM and JW in offspring eligible for DM title
6.18	Addition	PEB: DNA test for CEP290 (PRA-rdAC)
6.21	Addition	SIA/BAL/OSH/OLH: DNA test for CEP290 (PRA-rdAC)
Appendix I	Addition	Remark DNA test for CEP290 (PRA-rdAC)
2020 Breeding & Registration Rules		
3.5.2	Addition	Genetic diseases: cats not allowed to register
3.5.2	Addition	Any other form of genetic mutation which results in a miniaturised cat or a foreshortening of the limbs of the cats
3.6.1	Addition	The breed Toyger is not considered a breed based on a wild species
5.1.2.1	Deletion	“var” (variant)
5.3.1	Modification	For the titles AW, BW, MW, NSW and SW: these titles + the year are placed before the full name and before possible Championship/Premiership titles of the cat
5.3.1	Addition	Preliminary titles for preliminary recognised varieties of a recognised breed
5.3.1	Deletion	All FIFe titles are to be displayed by their abbreviation only, except the WW title.
6.14 (MCO)	Addition	Maine Coon: test for hip dysplasia (HD)
6.27 (THA)	Addition	Thai: cats bred or imported from other organisations cannot be registered or shown as THA if any other breed occurs within the first four generations of ancestors prior to the cat (visible in a FIFe pedigree).
8.1	Addition	EMS code for the non-recognised breed Toyger: TGR non
8.3 (TGR non)	New	Toyger: breeding and registration rules
9.1.3	Addition	Clarification of the possibility to judge cats resulting from crossbreeding outside the show hall when seeking re-registration in the target breed
10.2	Deletion	Reference to already deleted Appendix III
11.2.4	Modification	Preliminary recognised varieties are judged in accordance with Show Rules § 5.5.4
11.2.4	Addition	Preliminary recognised varieties can also be shown in classes 7 and 8
11.2.4	Addition	Preliminary recognised varieties: at least 8 cats must have the title PIC/PIP registered when applying for full recognition of the variety
Appendix I	Addition	Autoimmune Lymphoproliferative Syndrome (ALPS) test: recommended test for BLH/BSH imported from New Zealand or Australia
Appendix I	Addition	Recommendation for serological test
Appendix I	Addition	Parentage testing

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Appendix II	Addition	Electrocardiogram or ultrasound examination for heart disease: NFO
Appendix II	Addition	X-ray for hip dysplasia and patellar luxation: BLH/BSH
Appendix II	Modification	X-ray for hip dysplasia: obligatory for Maine Coon (MCO)
2022 Breeding & Registration Rules		
3.5.1	Addition	Rules for implementation of a mandatory test
4.1	Addition	The information of a cat's parents is always a part of the pedigree
4.1	Addition	Definition of ancestry: four generations prior to the cat
4.2	Addition	Only fully recognised varieties of fully recognised breeds may be entered in the LO register
5.1.2.1	New	The use of brackets and their meaning
5.2.2 / 5.2.3	Addition	Exceptions for individual members residing in certain countries regarding cattery names (refer to Appendix III)
6.1	Addition	TIF non as sister breed of BML
6.1	Change	EMS code JBT to JBS (Japanese Bobtail Shorthair)
6.1	Addition	Sister breed status for JBS/JBL non and RUS/NEB non
6.1.1	Addition	Definition of sister breeds also applies to preliminary recognised and non-recognised breeds
6.1.3	Deletion	Permission from FIFe Member in case of breeding with cats having the indication of an originating breed
6.8 (JBS)	Change	EMS code for Japanese Bobtail JBT in JBS
6.8 (JBS)	Addition	Shorthair in the name of Japanese Bobtail JBS
6.14 (MCO)	Deletion	Test for hip dysplasia (HD)
6.14 (MCO)	Addition	Novice class
6.14 (MCO)	Addition	Any crossing with other breeds is prohibited
6.14 (MCO)	Addition	Blue eyes are only permitted with EMS codes w, 01, 02 and 03
6.20 (RUS)	Change	As result of introduction of sister breed NEB non: only blue shorthair progeny from blue parents can be registered as RUS
6.26 (SRL/SRS)	Deletion	EXO/PER no longer permitted outcrosses
6.26 (SRL/SRS)	Change	BLH/BSH only permitted outcrosses until 01.01.2026
8.1	Addition	JBL non – Japanese Bobtail Longhair
8.1	Change	Sister breed status for ABL non/ABS non, ALH non/ASH non, JBL non/JBS, NEB non/RUS, TIF non/BML and TOL non/TOS non
8.3	Transfer	To 8.5 TGR non
8.3 (JBL non)	New	Corresponding rules as for JBS
8.4 (NEB non)	New	Corresponding rules as for RUS
8.5 (TGR non)	Transfer	From 8.3 TGR non
9.1.1	Addition	In order to obtain re-registration in the target breed, one or more cats participating in a breeding programme can be shown in the Control class (class 13b) at any generation after the F1 generation after the crossbreeding
9.1.1	Addition	Cats of F1-generation resulting from an individual case of allowed crossbreeding cannot be presented in class 13b for re-registration
9.1.1	Addition	It is the National FIFe Members' responsibility to check and confirm that all requirements as laid down in § 9 are fulfilled prior to permitting cats to be shown in the Control class (class 13b)
9.2	Addition	Novice class for MCO
Appendix I	Addition	Abbreviation for Congenital Myasthenic Syndrome (CMS)
Appendix II	Addition	Testing for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) and Feline Leukaemia Virus (FeLV)
Appendix II	Addition	Manual palpation for patellar luxation
Appendix II	Addition	BAL/SIA and OLH/OSH for patellar luxation
Appendix III	New	Exceptions to the cattery name rules
2023 Breeding & Registration Rules		
2.3.3	Change	Kittens must not go to a new owner (home) before they are 14 weeks old
2.3.3	Addition	All kittens must be identified by microchip
3.4	Deletion	Tattoo
4.1	Addition	Digital version of printout of the pedigree book

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4.5	Addition	The FIFe logo and the name of the FIFe Member must be shown on the page of the pedigree where the details of the cat and ancestors are listed
5.2.2, 5.2.5	Suppression, Addition	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
5.2.5	Change	Instead of a member of the same federation or club: a member of a FIFe Member
5.2.6	Change	Instead of bequeathing the name further: without the name being claimed by a lawful heir within 5 years
5.3.1	Addition	The title Central European Winner
5.3.2	Change	The required number of titles for offspring of a male cat to obtain the DM title is reduced from 10 to 5
6.7 (EUR)	Addition	Permitted outcross
7.1	Addition	Preliminary recognised breeds: Bombay (BOM) and Lykoi (LYO)
7.2 (BOM)	New	Bombay – breeding and registration restrictions
7.3 (LYO)	New	Lykoi – breeding and registration restrictions
8.1	Deletion	BOM non and LYO non
9.1.1	Deletion	Cats of F1-generation
2024 Breeding & Registration Rules		
3.3	Addition	Queens must not have more than two litters in twelve months
5.3.1	Addition	New show titles: Kitten Champion (KCH), Junior Champion (JCH) and Black Sea Winner (BSW)
5.2.6	Change	The owner of the cattery name died without the name being claimed by a lawful heir within 20 years
6.1	Addition	Bengal Longhair (BGL non) as sister breed to Bengal (BEN)
8.1	Addition	Bengal Longhair (BGL non), including its sister breed status to Bengal (BEN)
8.3 (BGL non)	New	Bengal Longhair – breeding and registration restrictions
9.2.3.a	Change	Minimum age for the Novice class: 12 months
Appendix I	Addition	Obligatory test for BOM: Burmese Head Defect (BHD)

6 EMS system

Breed	Status	Remarks
2011 EMS system		
Page 9	New	FIFe EMS system user guidelines
MCO/NFO/ SIB/TUA	Correction	Added in the description: n 03: "bicolour" ay 02 11 / ay 02 12: "golden"
NEM	Move	From preliminary to fully recognised breed (in category II)
EUR	Correction	No eye colour codes except for solid white (w), van (01) and harlequin (02)
DSP	Move	From preliminary to fully recognised breed (in category III)
2012 EMS system		
SFL non/ SFS non	Deletion	EMS codes for Scottish Fold and - as a consequence - deletion of EMS code 73 (folded ears)
See remark	Addition	Eye colour code for white ("w") cats and non-pointed van ("01") / harlequin ("02") varieties for the breeds ACL/ACS, MCO, NFO, SIB, TUA, CRX, DRX, GRX, JBT, KBL/KBS, MAN/CYM, SPH, DSP, PEB
NFO	Addition	EMS codes "dt (d)" – red based on amber – and "et (e)" – cream based on amber – for registration purposes only
TUV	Correction	Clarification how the solid and agouti varieties of the same colour are judged
BML	Addition	Recognition of golden varieties ("y") in the current two colour groups
BRI	Addition	Recognition of cinnamon and fawn varieties ("o", "p", "q" and "r")
PEB	Move	From preliminary to fully recognised breed (in category IV)
PEB	Correction	Eye colours for pointed with white varieties

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–	Move	New chapter “EMS codes and full description” which alphabetically lists the EMS codes and their full description for the recognised varieties in the recognised breeds (now only once in this document instead of a list of applicable EMS codes with full descriptions per breed).
2013		EMS system
SIN	Change	Singapura (SIN) : from non-recognised to preliminary recognised breed (in category III)
DSP/PEB	New	EMS code “br” (brush) changed into 83
DSP/PEB	Correction	EMS codes for longhair (81) and shorthair (82)
BML	Correction	Typing error in codes rs 11 31 and ry 11 31
KBL/KBS	Move	Added missing EMS codes for ticked (25) varieties
2014		EMS system
BRI	Change	Name of breed from “British” to “British Shorthair”
LPL/LPS	Move	LaPerm Longhair and LaPerm Shorthair: from non-recognised to preliminary recognised breed (in category II)
CEY / CLS / STE non	Deletion	Preliminary EMS breed codes for non-recognised breeds Ceylon, California Spangled and Sterling
ALH non ASH non	Change	Preliminary EMS breed codes for non-recognised breeds Asian Longhair / Shorthair changed to ALH non / ASH non
MBT non	Addition	Preliminary EMS breed code for non-recognised breed Me-kong Bobtail
BRI	Change	EMS code 12 (shell) is not applicable to British Shorthair anymore: always apply EMS code 11 with description “tipped” for tipped cats, regardless if the cat is shaded or shell
LPL/LPS	New	EMS code 84 for non-recognised straight coated varieties
BRI	New	Recognition of the additional pointed varieties in British Shorthair
BAL/SIA	New	BAL w 67 and OLH w 61 are judged together in the same class
BAL/SIA	New	SIA w 67 and OSH w 61 are judged together in the same class
OLH/OSH	New	Recognition of the varieties OLH/OSH w 61, OLH/OSH w 63, OLH/OSH w 64
OLH/OSH	New	Remarks for eye colour
OLH/OSH	New	OLH w 61 and BAL w 67 are judged together in the same class
OLH/OSH	New	OSH w 61 and SIA w 67 are judged together in the same class
PEB	New	Recognition of “brush” coat variety (EMS code 83)
PEB	New	Hairless and brush varieties of the same colour are judged together in the same class
2015		EMS system
SIN	Move	Singapura from preliminary to fully recognised breed (in category III) per 01.10.15
SRL/SRS	Move	Selkirk Rex from non-recognised to preliminary recognised breed (in category II)
THA	Move	Thai from non-recognised to preliminary recognised breed (in category IV)
BLH non	New	Preliminary EMS breed code for non-recognised breed British Longhair (sister breed to BRI - British Shorthair)
-	Correction	Eye colour descriptions now according to the General Part of the Standards
NFO	Correction	No space between codes for colour and code for silver in amber silver Norwegian Forest Cat
BRI	Addition	Recognition of ticked (code 25) as pattern in all existing tabby varieties and in bicolour black/blue golden tabby
PEB	Addition	Silver (s), golden (y) and specified tabby (11, 12, 22-25) for brush varieties
PEB	Correction	Addition of code 61 for blue eyes of white (w), van (01) and harlequin (02) varieties
10.2015		EMS system
LPL/LPS	Move	LaPerm from preliminary to fully recognised breed (in category II)
2016		EMS system
SYL/SYS	Deletion	EMS codes for Seychellois: this breed is now considered to be varieties of BAL/SIA

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-	Deletion	Division in categories
BRI	Change	EMS code for British Shorthair changed from BRI to BSH
BLH	Move	British Longhair from non-recognised to preliminary recognised breed
BAL/SIA	Addition	Balinese/Siamese with white (BAL/SIA * 01/02/03)
2017		EMS system
SBI	Addition	Full recognition of silver in the existing colour varieties
30.09.2017		EMS system
BLH	Move	From preliminary recognised to fully recognized breed
SRL/SRS	Move	From preliminary recognised to fully recognized breed
THA	Move	From preliminary recognised to fully recognized breed
2018		EMS system
BEN	New	Agouti modifier "t" for charcoal
01.10.2018		EMS system
BEN	Addition	Preliminary recognised varieties: Bengal silver
2019		EMS system
SRL/SRS	Addition	EMS code 09 for unspecified amount of white in groups II, IV, VI and VIII
2020		EMS system
JBT	Modification	Japanese Bobtail <i>Shorthair</i>
JBL non	New	EMS code for Japanese Bobtail Longhair (non-recognised breed)
TGR non	New	EMS code for Toyger (non-recognised breed)
BEN	Modification	Preliminary recognised variety - silver in Bengal: BEN ns * (no longer an "x"-varieties, since they can obtain certificates at shows)
-	New	EMS code for albino eyes : 68 (non-recognised variety)
2022		EMS system
JBT	Modification	EMS code to JBS for Japanese Bobtail Shorthair
BEN	Addition	Silver varieties now fully recognised varieties
BLH/BSH	Modification	All bicolour silver tabby varieties must be registered without any EMS code for eye colour
BEN	Deletion	Silver varieties from preliminary recognised varieties
2023		EMS system
BOM	Move	From non-recognised breed to preliminary recognised breed
LYO	Move	From non-recognised breed to preliminary recognised breed
LYO	Addition	EMS code 84 for non-roan coat
-	Addition	For non-pointed cats with blue eyes, the EMS eye colour code 61 must be registered
-	Modification	Revision of EMS system user guidelines
BLH/BSH	Modification	Reinstatement of eye colour code registration for bicolour silver tabby varieties
BLH/BSH	Addition	EMS code 11 for silver tipped pointed and golden tipped pointed varieties
NEM	Modification	Division in 4 colour groups
2024		EMS system
BGL non	Addition	EMS breed code for Bengal Longhair
-	Addition	Registration of agouti van (01) or agouti harlequin (02) in case the agouti pattern is known or can be clearly defined

7 Breed Council Rules

Article	Status	Remarks
2011		Breed Council Rules
All	Reorganised	Reorganised in new chapter division and grammatical corrections
1	Addition	Advisory body, health issues and Breed Council Administrator
2.4	Change	This requirement is now a choice between two options instead of an obligation for both
2	Addition	The National FIFe Member may grant exceptions
2	Change	Breed Council membership applications must be sent to the National FIFe Member and not to the General Secretary anymore

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Article	Status	Remarks
2	Change	Additions to the Breed Council membership list are made by the Breed Council Administrator and not by the General Secretary anymore
3	Addition	Requirement for inclusion in Breed Council membership list
4	Addition	The National FIFe Member's responsibility
5	Addition	The function Breed Council Administrator
6.1	Deletion	A Breed Council secretary may not hold his membership in more than one council at a time
6.1	Addition	A Breed Council secretary is elected for a period of three years
6.1	Change	Candidates must send their application to the Breed Council Administrator before 31 st October instead of to the General Secretary before 1 st August
6.2	Change	Elections in November or December
6.2	Change	Ballots are electronically and must be send to the Breed Council Administrator instead of to the General Secretary
6.2	Change	1 st of August into 31 st of October
6.2	Deletion	Re-election within 3 weeks
6.3	Addition	Responsibility of the Breed Council Administrator
8.1	Change	8 different National FIFe Members instead of 6
8.1	Addition	Exceptions may be granted by the Board
8.2.1	Deletion	By the end of November
8.2.2	Addition	Advise/opinion of the relevant commissions
8.3.3	Addition	50% of a Breed Council must participate in the voting
8.3	Addition	Results of the poll
8.3	Addition	Breed Council Administrator to forward proposals to the commissions
9	Addition	Evaluation of proposals
2012 – 2014		Breed Council Rules
-	-	No modifications
2015		Breed Council Rules
2	Addition	Exceptions for Breed Councils of breeds, which are not fully recognised
2016 - 2017		Breed Council Rules
		No modifications
2018		Breed Council Rules
2	Addition	Renewal of membership
2019		Breed Council Rules
		No modifications
2020		Breed Council Rules
2	Change	Eligibility and membership requirements – minimum age changed from 18 to 25 years
2	Change	Eligibility and membership requirements – experience as a breeder changed from 3 to 5 litters (this change is only applicable to fully recognised breeds)
2	Deletion	Requirement for litters to be bred within the previous 2 resp. 5 calendar years
2022 - 2024		Breed Council Rules
		No modifications

8 Standards & General Part

Category	Status	Remarks
1994		Standards & General Part
All	New	New issue of standard
1995		Standards & General Part
III – BML	New	Burmilla (BML) recognized
III – MAN	Change	Drop "rump as short as possible", new description of Rumpy, Rumpy Riser and Stumpy
IV – ORI/SIA	Change	Almost no undercoat
Gen. Part	Change	Lilac: delete on nose leather faded lilac

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Category	Status	Remarks
Gen. Part	Change	Tabby patterns: rimmed eyes, marked whisker pads, white chin no fault exception for longhair cats, when tail evenly ringed
1996 Standards & General Part		
I – EXO/PER	Change	Scale of points: head and body
I – EXO/PER	Change	w: new eye colour 67
III – ABY/SOM	Change	Legs sinewy
III – ABY/SOM	Change	Eal line dropped
III – BRI	Change	Coat crisp
III – BRI	Change	w: new bleu eye colour 67
III – BRI	Change	Silver tabby: orange eye colour permitted
III – BRI	New	Colourpoint recognised
III – BUR	Change	New standard
III – EUR	Change	Coat texture: springy; Eye colour: amber; Drop fault: too large
Gen. Part	Change	w: new eye colour 67
Gen. Part	Change	Faults: ectropion, entropion
Gen. Part	Change	Disqualification: deaf cats
1997 Standards & General Part		
All categories	Change	Name of category
II – RAG	Change	Ragdoll (RAG) colourpoint recognized
30.06.1997 Standards & General Part		
I – EXO/PER	New	Smoke and silver tabby for Van/Harlequin/Bicolour recognized
II – SIB	New	Siberian Cat (SIB) recognized
II – TUV	Change	New colour varieties
III – DRX	Change	Faults – coat: bare patches
III – DRX	Change	Scale of Points – 5 points off for coat, 5 added to the head
III – EUR	Change	Green eye colour given code w 64
III – JBT	New	New colour varieties recognised for certificate
III – OCI	New	Colour of tail tip decides coat colour
IV – BAL	Change	Scale of Points changed to correspond with SIA
IV – BAL/SIA	Change	w 67: eye colour changed to correspond with BAL/SIA
Gen. Part	Addition	Scale of Points: additionally 100 points by passing veterinarian control
Gen. Part	Change	Faults: white chin deleted
Gen. Part	Addition	Remarks re. chin analogous to golden shaded/shell
Gen. Part	New	Smoke and silver tabby for Van/Harlequin/Bicolour
1998 Standards & General Part		
III – ABY/SOM	Change	Scale of Points: changed to be analogous to ABY
Gen. Part	New	Included description of colour in cinnamon and fawn pointed (33)
1999 Standards & General Part		
I – EXO/PER	New	Nose bridge wide, nostrils must be open
II – RAG	Change	RAG mitted recognized
II – TUV	Corrected	TUV d and TUV d 21 judged in the same class TUV e and TUV e 21 judged in the same class
III – BEN	New	Bengal (BEN) recognized
III – BUR	Change	“Oriental type” moved to general appearance
III – RUS	Change	Fault “Siamese type” changed to “oriental type” and listed under General fault. Fault “all other colours than blue” added to faults of coat.
Gen. Part	Change	Ground colour on all lilac tabby varieties changed to “light warm beige, lilac ticked”
Gen. Part	New	Mitted (04) added to description of patterns with white
2000 Standards & General Part		
I – EXO/PER	Change	Each (silver) tabby with white colour variety is judged in a separate class
II – NFO	Change	“Expression” added to Scale of points
IV – BAL/JAV/ ORI/SIA	Addition	Ear tips should not bend over
2001 Standards & General Part		
II – TUA	Change	Scale of Points changed
II – TUV	Change	Solid and agouti colour judged together in the same class

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Category	Status	Remarks
IV – BAL/JAV/ ORI/SIA	Addition	Scale of Points: coat to include colour, markings and pattern, patching
Gen. Part	Change	Reason for disqualification: delete trimming
2002		Standards & General Part
I – EXO/PER	Addition	ay 11/12/22/23/24 recognized
II – MCO	Change	Size is large
III – BRI	Change	Scale of Points: texture gets more points
III – BRI	New	ay 11/12/22/23/24 recognized
III – EUR	Correction	“Tamed” changed to “domestic”, Scale of Points corrected
III – REX	Change	New grouping: V, VI, VII, VIII, IX
III – SPH	New	Sphynx (SPH) recognized
Gen. Part	Addition	Blue golden shaded/shell and tabby recognised
2003		Standards & General Part
II – ACL/ACS	New	American Curl Longhair (ACL) and American Curl Shorthair (ACS) recognized
III – CRX	Change	Delete “curly” from the description of the coat
III – DRX	Change	Write “wavy and/or curly” on coat
III – GRX	Change	Delete “curly” from the description of the coat
III – REX	Change	Transfer red/cream/tortie smoke to the same group as the colours without silver
III – SPH	New	SPH are judged in 9 colour groups
Gen. Part	Addition	Recommend standards for non recognized breeds
2004		Standards & General Part
III – KBL/KBS	New	Kurilian Bobtail Longhair and Shorthair (KBL/KBS) recognized
III – SNO	New	Snowshoe (SNO) recognized
III – BRI	Change	Same colours as EXO/PER recognized
IV – BAL/ORL/ ORS/SIA	Change	Oriental (ORI) renamed Oriental shorthair (ORS) and Javanese (JAV) renamed Oriental longhair (ORL)
IV – ORL/ORS	New	Van/Harlequin/Bicolour recognized
Gen. Part	New	Code (05) and pattern for Snowshoe
Gen. Part	Addition	Himalayan pointed, faults precluding the certificate: nose leather, lips, paw pads: lack of pigmentation
2005		Standards & General Part
-	New	All 3 FIFe languages combined in one standard
Gen. Part	Addition	General faults – Tail deformities: except Bobtailed breeds
II + III	Change	Use appropriate EMS codes when registering group
II – NFO	Addition	Colours Amber (nt) and Light Amber (at) recognized
II – RAG	Addition	Same colour varieties as for SBI recognized
III – MAU	Change	ns = black smoke; ghost markings appear as black spots
IV – BAL/ORL/ ORS/SIA	Change	Delete: the ear tips should not bend over
IV – ORS/SIA	Addition	Colours o/p/q/r recognized
IV – ORL/ORS	Change	Code ORL changed to OLH Code ORS changed to OSH
2006		Standards & General Part
II – TUV	Change	Shape and placement of the ears
III – CYM	New	Cymric (CYM) recognized
IV – SYL/SYS	New	Seychellois Longhair and Shorthair (SYL/SYS) recognized
2007		Standards & General Part
Gen. Part	Addition	Code 21 valid for hairless cats
Gen. Part	Change	Description of Odd eyed
Gen. Part	Change	Description of Mitted (04)
All categories	Change	EMS codes in all cats with white: code 21 only with 01 and 02
II – RAG	Change	Changes to the standard: General, body, legs, coat colour B, C, D
II – SIB	Change	Changes to the standard: cheekbones, eye colour and tail length
II – TUA	Change	Changes to the standard: head, ears, body, coat, scale of points
III – CRX	Change	New standard for CRX
III – SPH	Change	All cats judged together in the same group
III – EUR	Change	Rounded eyes

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III – DSP	New	Don Sphynx (DSP) preliminary recognised
IV – BAL/SIA	Addition	Faults: depigmentation on nose leather, paw pads and lips
IV – BAL/SIA	Addition	Disqualification: white toes or spots in coloured areas
IV – SYL/SYS	Deletion	d/e 01/02/03: disqualification: lack of colour on legs
IV – PEB	New	Peterbald (PEB) preliminary recognized
2008 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Addition	General faults: pigmentation loss on nose leather, paw pads and lips
Gen. Part	Addition	Disqualification: docked tail or cropped ears
Gen. Part	Addition	Tabby varieties (21/22/23/24/25): nose leather: red/.../pink or solid
II – ACL/ACS	Change	Cats judged in groups: points added for colour
II – SBI	Change	Changes to the standard: scale of points: eyes, coat colour
III – KOR	Change	New standard for KOR
III + IV DSP/SPH/PEB	Change	All hairless cats (DSP/SPH/PEB) to be shown in five groups
2009 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Addition	Colour description for the Himalayan pointed smoke and silver varieties
Gen. Part	Change	New standard description for the house cat English name changed from domestic to house cat
II – NEM	New	Neva Masquerade (NEM): preliminary recognized
III – KBL/KBS	Change	Cats judged in four colour groups
2010 Standards & General Part		
All	Change	Himalayan pointed replace by Siamese pointed
Gen. Part	Deletion	100 points awarded by the veterinarian
Gen. Part	Addition	General fault in all breeds: insufficient contrast between point- and body colour
Gen. Part	Change	Eye colour 67: intense deep Siamese blue
I – EXO	Change	Changes to the standard: description of the coat
I – EXO/PER	Change	Division of points for colour and pattern
II – TUV	Change	Changes to the standard: description of the head, points for the eyes
III – BML	Addition	Addition of code 31 to tables of colour varieties
III – DRX SPH	Addition	Very prominent cheekbones
IV – BAL/SIA/SYL/SYS	Change	Eye colour: intense deep blue
III + IV DSP/PEB	Change	New standard for the DSP New standard for the PEB
2011 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Change	Combined list of disqualifiers and general faults
Gen. Part	Change	Description of golden ground colour
Gen. Part	Change	Synchronized descriptions of mitted (04) and RAG mitted
II – RAG	Change	Changes to the standard
II – SBI	Change	Description of the body colour
II – NEM	Addition	Neva Masquerade (NEM): fully recognized
III – DSP	Addition	Don Sphynx (DSP): fully recognized
2012 Standards & General Part		
Standards & Gen. Part	Addition	Eye colour code added to white, van and harlequin varieties for ACL/ACS, MCO, NFO, SIB, TUA, CRX, DRX, GRX, JBT, KBL/KBS, MAN/CYM, SPH, DSP, PEB
Gen. Part	Change	No Excellent for deformities in skull of crooked jaws
Gen. Part	Change	Distinct nose/ey rim in shaded/shell is preferred
II – SBI	Addition	Medium size of eyes
II – TUV	Change	The solid and agouti varieties of the same colour are judged together
III – BML	Addition	Golden (y) varieties recognized
III – BRI	Addition	Cinnamon (o) and fawn (p) varieties recognized
III – CRX	Change	Eye size: medium to large
IV – PEB	Addition	Peterbald (PEB): fully recognized
2013 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Change	Description of body colour for Siamese pointed
Gen. Part	Change	Table of faults: 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 9.1
III – ABY/SOM	Change	Division of points for colour and pattern
SIN	New	Singapura (SIN): preliminary recognised

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Category	Status	Remarks
2014 Standards & General Part		
Standards & Gen. Part	Change	Only in French
Gen. Part	Change	Table of faults 1.5, 8.1, 8.3, 8.5, 8.6
Gen. Part	New	Table of faults: Tattooed cats disqualified (except as a form of registration)
Gen. Part	Change	Definition of code 21, unspecified tabby pattern
II – NEM	Addition	Eye colour added to scale of points
III – BRI	Change	Name of breed from “British” to “British Shorthair”
III – BRI	Change	Only code 11 for tipped BRI, regardless if the cat is shaded or shell
III – BRI	Addition	Recognition of the smoke, silver and golden point varieties (BRI *s 33, BRI *s/y 21 33)
III – BRI	Addition	Recognition of the pointed with white varieties (BRI * 01/02/03 * 33) in all colour and pattern varieties
III – MAU	Change	Description of the ear placement
IV – BAL/SIA/OLH/OSH	Addition	BAL w 67 and OLH w 61 are judged in the same class SIA w 67 and OSH w 61 are judged in the same class
IV – PEB	Addition	Recognition of “brush” coat variety (EMS code 83). Hairless and brush varieties of the same colour are judged together in the same class
LPL/LPS	New	LaPerm Longhair (LPL) and LaPerm Shorthair (LPS): preliminary recognised
	New	EMS code 84 for non-recognised straight coat varieties
01.10.2014 Standards & General Part		
III – SIN	New	Singapura (SIN): fully recognized
2015 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Change	Use of EMS code 21 – unspecified tabby pattern
Gen. Part	Change	Table of faults 2.2 Any depressions, protrusions or fissures in the skull are disqualifying faults
III – BRI	Change	Recognition of the ticked variety (code 25) in all existing tabby varieties and in black/blue bicolour golden tabby
IV – PEB	Addition	Addition of EMS codes silver (s), golden (y) and specified tabby (11, 12, 22-25) for brush varieties
SRL/SRS	New	Selkirk Rex Longhair (SRL) and Selkirk Rex Shorthair (SRS): preliminary recognised in category II
THA	New	Thai (THA): preliminary recognised in category IV
01.10.2015 Standards & General Part		
II – LPL/LPS	New	LaPerm Longhair (LPL) and LaPerm Shorthair (LPS): fully recognised
2016 Standards & General Part		
II – LPL/LPS	Change	Eyes: oval in shape
III – ABY/SOM	Change	Changes to the standard: head, body, coat, scale of points
III – BEN	Change	Description of the eye colours
III – BRI	Change	EMS code BRI to BSH
III – EUR	Change	Points for eye colour deleted. Eye colour included in points for head
IV – SYL/SYS	Change	Deletion of SYL/SYS, addition of BAL/SIA * 01/02/03
BLH	New	British Longhair (BLH): preliminary recognised in category III
2017 Standards & General Part		
Categories	Change	Roman numerals (I, II, III, IV) to Arabic numerals (1, 2, 3, 4)
Standards	Addition	Year of recognition for each breed
1 – SBI	Addition	Recognition of smoke and silver varieties in SBI
2 – LPL/LPS	Change	Eyes: almond in shape
30.09.2017 Standards & General Part		
3 – BLH	New	British Longhair (BLH): fully recognised
3 – SRL/SRS	New	Selkirk Rex Longhair (SRL) and Selkirk Rex Shorthair (SRS): fully recognised in category 3
4 – THA	New	Thai (THA): fully recognised
2018 Standards & General Part		

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Gen. Part	Addition	Colour descriptions for: * s 01/02/03/09 * s/y 01/02/03/09 11/12 * s/y 01/02/03/09 21/22/23/24/25 * 01/02/03/09 31/32/33 * 01/02/03/09 21 31/32/33 * s 01/02/03/09 31/32/33 * y 21 31/32/33 * s/y 01/02/03/09 21 31/32/33
Gen. Part	Change	Table of faults, 1.9: Disqualification for any fixed deviation in the sternum or xiphisternum.
Gen. Part	Change	Table of faults, 6.1: White spots not permitted in the standard: No Excellent. Applied also for breed standards of OCI, BAL/SIA and THA.
Gen. Part	Change	Table of faults, 7.2: Except for neuters aged 10 months and older, bobtailed breeds and house cats.
Gen. Part	New	Description of the Charcoal colour variety. Applies only for BEN.
3 - BEN	New	EMS code x *t for charcoal varieties in BEN, only for breeding and registration.
01.07.2018 Standards & General Part		
Preliminary recognised varieties	New	Bengal silver (BEN x ns *) added
2019 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Addition	PEB to the table of faults 9.2
Gen. Part	Addition	For bicolour (EMS code 03): all recognised eye colours of a variety are judged together in the same class
1 – EXO/PER	Addition	Remark I: also valid for bicolour varieties
1 – TUV	Change	All colours permitted, regardless of coat colour.
1 – TUV	Change	Scale of points: 5 points moved from eyes to body
3 – BLH/BSH	Change	Remark J: also valid for bicolour varieties
3 – BML	Addition	Scale of points: size added to eye points
3 – BUR	Addition	Scale of points: size added to eye points
3 – SRL/SRS	Addition	Code 09 added to the table of recognised varieties
4 – PEB	Change	Description of hairlessness and wrinkles modified
4 – PEB	Addition	No certificate: eyes set deep or too close
2020 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part & Standards	-	No proposals resulting in modifications of the Standards & General Part accepted by the 2019 General Assembly
Preliminary recognised varieties	Change	Highest possible show class for preliminary recognized varieties: 07 / 08 (CACIB/CAPIB).
Preliminary recognised varieties	Change	The EMS code of cats belonging to preliminary recognised varieties shall not include “x”, this letter only applies to non-recognised varieties (no certificates).
2022 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Change	Page 82: description of EMS code 09
2 – MCO	Change	Description of eye colour and prohibition for blue eyes in certain varieties
3 – BEN	Change	Addition of fully recognised silver varieties
3 – BLH/BSH	Change	All recognised eye colours of the same bicolour silver tabby variety are judged together in the same class (→ General Part, page 79). These varieties must be registered without any EMS code for eye colour. Addition of (yellowish) green in description of odd eyed (remark C).
3 – KOR	Change	Description of the nose
4 – JBS	Change	EMS code and description for Japanese Bobtail to JBS Japanese Bobtail Shorthair
Preliminary recognised varieties	Change	Preliminary recognised silver varieties in BEN moved to fully recognised varieties in the Standard of BEN

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2023 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Addition	Page 11: Table of faults 9.1 and 9.2 – Bombay (BOM) and Lykoi (LYO)
Gen. Part	Correction	Page 22: cats with white/lighter coloured chin are preferred
Gen. Part	Addition	Page 73: Siamese silver tipped pointed (only valid for BLH/BSH)
Gen. Part	Change	Page 74: separation of golden tipped pointed and golden tabby pointed for BLH/BSH
Gen. Part	Change	Page 93: separation of silver tipped pointed with white and silver tabby pointed with white for BLH/BSH
Gen. Part	Change	Page 94: separation of golden tipped pointed with white and golden tabby pointed with white for BLH/BSH
2 – NEM	Change	New group division: 4 instead of 2 groups
3 – BLH/BSH	Change	Separation of silver tipped pointed and silver tabby pointed varieties
3 – BLH/BSH	Change	Separation of golden tipped pointed and golden tabby pointed varieties
3 – BLH/BSH	Change	Reinstatement of eye colour code registration for bicolour silver tabby varieties
2024 Standards & General Part		
Gen. Part	Change	Page 9,10, 11: Table of faults: faults 1.7, 1.8, 1.9 and 7.2 – age changed to 12 months
Gen. Part	Deletion	Page 77: For Van: all tabby patterns are registered with the same EMS Code: 01 21
Gen. Part	Addition	Page 77, 79, 81: For Van, Harlequin and Bicolour: shaded, shell and ticked
Gen. Part	Change	Page 79: For Harlequin: all tabby patterns are registered with the same EMS Code: 02 21
1 – EXO/PER	Addition	Page 9: EMS codes 22/23/24 for Van/Harlequin (01/02) tabby varieties
1 – EXO/PER	Addition	Page 10: all tabby patterns (21-24) of the same Van (01) resp. the same Harlequin (02) variety are judged together in the same class, regardless the eye colour
1 – SBI	Deletion	Page 22: fault - pure white or coloured patches on the chest or the belly
1 – SBI	Deletion	Page 22: fault precluding the certificate - a white patch on the genitals
1 – TUV	Addition	Page 29: EMS codes 22/23/24/25 for tabby varieties; all solid and tabby cats of the same colour variety are judged together in the same class, regardless tabby pattern and eye colour
2 - ACL/ACS, LPL/LPS, MCO, NFO, SIB, TUA	Addition	Page 11, 12, 28-30: EMS codes 11/12/22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin agouti varieties
3 – BLH/BSH	Addition	Page 20: EMS codes 22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin (01/02) tabby varieties
3 – BLH/BSH	Addition	Page 21: all tabby patterns (21-25) of the same Van (01) resp. the same Harlequin (01/02) variety are judged together in the same class, regardless the eye colour
3 – BUR	Change	Page 29: kittens (4-8 months)
3 – KBL/KBS	Addition	Page 53, 54: EMS codes 11/12/22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin agouti varieties
3 – SRL/SRS	Addition	Page 93, 94: EMS codes 22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin tabby varieties
4 – OLH/OSH	Addition	Page 19: EMS codes 22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin (01/02) tabby varieties
4 – OLH/OSH	Addition	Page 19: all tabby patterns (21-25) of the same Van (01) resp. the same Harlequin (02) variety are judged together in the same class
4 – CRX, DRX, GRX	Addition	Page 32 - 34: EMS codes 11/12/22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin agouti varieties
4 – JBS	Addition	Page 41: EMS codes 22/23/24 for Van/Harlequin tabby varieties
4- PEB	Addition	Page 48, 49: EMS codes 11/12/22/23/24/25 for Van/Harlequin brush agouti varieties