

The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.
2009 BREED COUNCIL POLL

EXOTIC

Total Members: 61
Ballots Received: 38
60% of Voting: 23

1. PROPOSED: delete the wording as shown in the general DISQUALIFY section of the Exotic Standard and add the relevant disqualifying fault information to the pertinent color descriptions as follows:

DISQUALIFY: locket or button. Kinked or abnormal tail. Incorrect number of toes. Any apparent weakness in the hind quarters. Any apparent deformity of the spine. Deformity of the skull resulting an asymmetrical face and/or head. Crossed eyes.*
~~For pointed cats, disqualify for white toes, eye color other than blue.~~

AND

Add the following wording (also shown in the example) to all pointed Color Descriptions:

Disqualify for white toes, eye color other than blue.

The affected colors are: Chocolate Point, Seal Point, Lilac Point, Blue Point, Flame (Red) Point, Cream Point, Tortie Point, Blue-Cream Point, Chocolate-Tortie Point, Lilac-Cream Point, Seal Lynx Point, Blue Lynx Point, Flame (Red) Lynx Point, Cream Lynx Point, Tortie Lynx Point, Blue-Cream Lynx Point, Chocolate Lynx Point, Lilac Lynx Point, Chocolate-Tortie Lynx Point, Lilac-Cream Lynx Point.

EXAMPLE: CHOCOLATE POINT: body ivory. Points milk-chocolate color, warm in tone. Nose leather and paw pads: cinnamon pink. Eye color: deep vivid blue. Disqualify for white toes, eye color other than blue.

YES: 34 NO: 4

RATIONALE: the DISQUALIFY section of the general Exotic standard should apply to all Exotic colors as the note indicates. The statement is being deleted from the general DISQUALIFY section of the Exotic Standard because they do not apply to all Exotic colors. The relevant sentence should be added to each pointed color description as these are still disqualifying faults for the pointed colors.

2. PROPOSED: add the following statement describing the preferred minimum of color to each of the bi-color color descriptions:

As a preferred minimum, the cat should have a colored tail and one or more colored patches on the head and/or body. Less color than this minimum should be penalized proportionately.

EXAMPLE: CALICO: a tri-color cat of black, red and white. The red and the black should appear as clear, unbrindled patches. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have white feet, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. Less white than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have a colored tail and one or more colored patches on the head and/or body. Less color than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. Eye color: brilliant copper, blue or odd-eyed. Odd-eyed bi-colors shall have one blue and one copper eye with equal color depth.

The affected colors are: Calico, Dilute Calico, Chocolate Calico, Lilac Calico, Bi-Color, Smoke and White, Shaded and White, Tortoiseshell and White, Blue-Cream and White, Red Tabby & White, Brown Tabby & White, Patched Tabby & White, Other Tabby & White, Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke, Chocolate Calico Smoke, Lilac Calico Smoke.

YES: 29 NO: 9

RATIONALE: the standard currently provides guidance for the minimum amount of white preferred. There is no guidance for minimum amount of color. More high-white cats are being produced, and we are starting to see bicolor cats with only color on part or all of the tail and no color anywhere else on the body.

INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

3. Now that Exotic Longhairs (ELH) can be shown for championship status and the offspring of an ELH to a Persian are not registerable, it has been proposed that there should be a cut-off date beyond which Exotics are not allowed to outcross to Persians. Do you agree with such a cut-off date now or in the future?

2 YES, after a minimum of 5 years
(fill in number of years)

36 NO

RATIONALE: The Persian Breed Council has placed this item on their Ballot. As a result, the Exotic Breed Council must also be polled on the identical item. As this is not a standard change, it is advisory only.