

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

ORIENTAL

Total Members: 105
 Ballots Received: 73
 60% of Voting: 44

1. This proposal creates a color class for the point-restricted colors that are produced in the Oriental breed.

PROPOSED:

COAT COLOR: the Oriental's reason for being is the coat color whether it is solid, shaded, smoke, parti-color, bi-color, pointed or tabby patterned.

Solid – In the solid color cat, the coat color should be of uniform density and color from the tip to the root of each hair and from the nose to the tail. The full coat color score (20) should be used to assess the quality and the correctness of the color.

Shaded – The shaded cat has a white undercoat, with a mantle of colored tipping shading down from the sides, face and tail from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, chest underside and under the tail.

Smoke – Cat in repose appears solid in color. In motion the color is clearly apparent. Extremities are solid in color, and have a narrow band of white at the base of hairs next to the skin which may be seen only when the fur is parted.

Parti-Color – A solid* cat with patches of red or softly intermingled areas of red on both body and extremities (presence of several shades of red acceptable; *dilute colors exhibit cream instead of red).

Bi-Color – Bi-Colors should conform to the established standard for their co-existing pattern, with the addition of white feet, legs, underside, chest and muzzle, including an inverted “V” blaze on the face.

Tabby – In the tabby patterned cat, the quality of the pattern is an essential part of the cat. The pattern should match the description for the particular pattern and be well defined. The pattern should be viewed while the cat is in a natural standing position. The remaining ten points are allotted to the correctness of the color, it matches the color description.

Pointed – Body: subtle shading is permissible, but clear color is preferable. Allowance should be made for darker color in older cats as pointed Orientals generally darken with age, but there must be definite contrast between body color and points. Points: mask, ears, feet, legs, and tail dense and clearly defined. All of the same shade. Mask covers entire face including whisker pads

and is connected to ears by tracings. Mask should not extend over the top of the head. No white hairs in points. Colors developed from hybridization of the parent breed (Siamese) are the only colors that will be accepted in this class. Therefore the four Siamese colors: seal, blue, chocolate and lilac cannot and will not be shown in this class.

EYE COLOR: green. Pointed and white - blue, Pointed – blue. White and bi-color– blue, green or odd-eyed.

(ADD THE FOLLOWING TEXT AFTER THE Parti-Colors Color Class)

POINTED COLOR CLASS

RED POINT (including smoke): body clear white with any shading in the same tone as points. Points: bright apricot to deep red, deeper shades preferred, with lack of barring desirable. Nose leather and paw pads: flesh or coral pink.

CREAM POINT (including smoke): body clear white with any shading in the same tone as points. Points: pale buff cream to light pinkish cream, lack of barring desirable. Nose leather and paw pads: flesh to coral pink.

CINNAMON POINT (including smoke): body ivory with no shading. Points light reddish brown, distinctly warmer and lighter than chocolate - the color of a cinnamon stick. Nose leather and paw pads: tan to pinkish beige.

FAWN POINT (including smoke): body glacial white with no shading. Points light lavender with pale cocoa overtones. Nose leather and paw pads: pink and/or a light shade of dusty rose (no blue or lavender tones).

SEAL LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body cream or pale fawn, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points: seal brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears seal brown with paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: seal brown permitted, pink edged in seal brown preferred. Paw pads: seal brown.

CHOCOLATE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points: warm milk-chocolate bars, distinct and separated by lighter back-

ground color; ears warm milk-chocolate with paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: cinnamon permitted, pink edged in cinnamon preferred. Paw pads: cinnamon.

BLUE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body bluish white to platinum grey, cold in tone, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points: deep blue-grey bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears deep blue-grey with paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: slate-colored permitted, pink edged in slate preferred. Paw pads: slate-colored.

LILAC LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points: frosty grey with pinkish tone bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears frosty grey with pinkish tone, paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: lavender-pink permitted, pink edged in lavender-pink preferred. Paw pads: lavender-pink.

RED LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points: deep red bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears deep red, paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather and paw pads: flesh or coral pink.

CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body clear white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points: bars of pale buff cream to light pinkish cream, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears pale buff cream to light pinkish cream, paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather and paw pads: flesh to coral pink.

CINNAMON LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points light reddish brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears cinnamon with paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: tan to pinkish beige permitted, pink edged in tan preferred. Paw pads: tan to pinkish beige.

FAWN LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points light lavender bars with pale cocoa overtones, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears fawn, paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: dusty rose permitted, pink edged in dusty rose preferred. Paw pads: dusty rose.

SEAL-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body cream or pale fawn, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. Points: seal brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears seal brown with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: seal brown permitted, pink edged in seal brown preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: seal brown, or seal brown mottled

with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: These cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

CHOCOLATE-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. Points: warm milk-chocolate bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears warm milk-chocolate with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: cinnamon permitted, pink edged in cinnamon preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: cinnamon, or cinnamon mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

BLUE-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body bluish white to platinum grey, cold in tone, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. Points: deep blue-grey bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears deep blue grey with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: slate-colored permitted, pink edged in slate preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: slate-colored, or slate mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

LILAC-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or cream mottling. Points: frosty grey with pinkish tone bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears frosty grey with pinkish tone, paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: lavender-pink permitted, pink edged in lavender-pink preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: lavenderpink, or lavender-pink mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

CINNAMON-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or mottling. Points light reddish brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears cinnamon with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: tan to pinkish beige permitted, pink edged in tan preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: tan to pinkish beige, may be mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

FAWN-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or mottling. Points: light lavender bars with pale cocoa overtones, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears fawn, paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: dusty

rose permitted, pink edged in dusty rose preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: dusty rose, may be mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

SEAL-TORTIE POINT (including smoke): body pale fawn to cream, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body color may be mottled in older cats. Points: seal brown, randomly mottled with red. Nose leather and paw pads: seal brown; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

CHOCOLATE-TORTIE POINT (including smoke): body ivory, may be mottled in older cats. Points: warm milk-chocolate randomly mottled with red. Nose leather and paw pads: cinnamon; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable

BLUE-CREAM POINT (including smoke): body bluish white to platinum grey, cold in tone, shading to lighter color on stomach and chest. Body color may be mottled in older cats. Points: deep blue-grey randomly mottled with cream. Nose leather and paw pads: slate-colored; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

LILAC-CREAM POINT (including smoke): body glacial white; mottling, if any, in the shade of the points. Points: frosty grey with pinkish tone, randomly mottled with pale cream. Nose leather and paw pads: lavender-pink; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

CINNAMON-TORTIE POINT (including smoke): body ivory, may be mottled in older cats Points: light reddish brown, randomly mottled with red. Nose leather and paw pads: tan to pinkish beige; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

FAWN-CREAM POINT (including smoke): body glacial white; mottling, if any, in the shade of the points. Points: light lavender with pale cocoa overtones, randomly mottled with pale cream. Nose leather and paw pads: dusty rose; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

SHADED POINTS: white undercoat with a mantle of tipping consistent with the base colors of red, cream, seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn, or any of the appropriate base colors in particolor, shading down from sides, face and tail from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, chest, underside and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as the face. Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with color consistent with the corresponding base color. Nose leather and paw pads: appropriate base color.

SMOKE POINTS: white undercoat, deeply tipped with color consistent with the corresponding base color of red, cream, seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn, or any of the appropriate base colors in particolor. Points and mask appear solidly colored, with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. Nose leather and paw pads: appropriate base color.

SILVER LYNX POINTS: add white undercoat. Nose leather: base color permitted or edged with base color preferred. Paw pads: appropriate base color.

Add to Rules for Registration©:

Any Kittens from any pointed Oriental X pointed Oriental breedings, pointed Oriental X Balinese* breedings, pointed Oriental X Colorpoint Shorthair breedings, or pointed Oriental X Siamese breedings that are born on or after 5/1/10 (excluding breedings where at least one parent is pointed and white) will not be registered in CFA, not even as AOV's. All kittens that are born on or after 5/1/2010 from any pointed Oriental X pointed Oriental breedings, pointed Oriental X Balinese* breedings, pointed Oriental X Colorpoint Shorthair breedings, or pointed Oriental X Siamese breedings (excluding breedings where at least one parent is pointed and white) may be recorded through CATS (Cats Ancestral Tracking Service). Descendants would remain in that recording service until such time as one parent is a bi-color or self-colored Oriental or the appropriate number of correct color generations to be transferred as a Balinese, Colorpoint Shorthair or Siamese.

* Litters from pointed 4### series Orientals (excluding pointed and white) x Balinese may continue to be registered as Balinese per the Balinese outcross cut-off date (currently 12/31/2015).

YES (create pointed color class): 47 NO: 26

RATIONALE: Many of the point-restricted colors are unique to Orientals, and originate from the breed's diverse background. This is especially true of the cinnamon-based colors and those modified by silver. The Oriental is a hybrid breed; therefore, only colors and coat length that have arisen as a result of hybridization will be accepted in this class. The seal points, blue points, chocolate points, and lilac points are excluded from this proposal.

Orientals with point-restricted colors have been produced since the breed was created and the status of these cats has been in limbo. In the past, some point-restricted Orientals enjoyed championship status and achieved titles in CFA. However, confusion over breed identity resulted in the loss of championship status. The inconsistencies and anger produced by this have resulted in the loss of breeders from CFA, and the loss of registrations, even by breeders who have remained within CFA. In addition, CFA's registration policies for Orientals have discouraged breeders in Europe from registering and showing in CFA. The addition of the point-restricted color class will help reverse this. Finding appropriate ways to include structurally excellent, point-restricted Orientals in the show environment will increase class sizes and increase registrations.

Especially in today's financial and animal rights legislative

environments, breeders must be able to advance their programs with a reduced number of cats and breedings, and not feel they are producing cats of no value in CFA. This change allows breeders to register, show and breed their point-restricted cats.

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2. In the event that Proposal #1 does not pass the Board, we would like to offer another option. Please vote independently on Proposals #1 and #2 (meaning you can vote yes on both, yes on one and no on the other, or no on both.) This proposal creates a color class for the point-restricted colors that are produced in the Oriental breed. This color class adds the pointed colors based on cinnamon and silver only. It does not require the change in Rules for Registration.

PROPOSED:

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EYE COLOR: green. Pointed and white - blue, Pointed – blue. White and bi-color– blue, green or odd-eyed.

(ADD THE FOLLOWING TEXT AFTER THE Parti-Colors Color Class)

POINTED COLOR CLASS

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FAWN POINT (including smoke): body glacial white with no shading. Points light lavender with pale cocoa overtones. Nose leather and paw pads: pink and/or a light shade of dusty rose (no blue or lavender tones).

CINNAMON LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points light reddish brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears cinnamon with paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: tan to pinkish beige permitted, pink edged in tan preferred. Paw pads: tan to pinkish beige.

FAWN LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping. Points light lavender bars with pale cocoa overtones, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears fawn, paler thumbprint in center. Nose leather: dusty rose permitted, pink edged in dusty rose preferred. Paw pads: dusty rose.

CINNAMON-TORTIE LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded): body ivory. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or mottling. Points light reddish brown bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears cinnamon with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: tan to pinkish beige permitted, pink edged in tan preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: tan to pinkish beige, may be mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

FAWN-CREAM LYNX POINT (including silver & shaded):

body glacial white. Body shading may take form of ghost striping and/or mottling. Points: light lavender bars with pale cocoa overtones, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears fawn, paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of cream overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: dusty rose permitted, pink edged in dusty rose preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: dusty rose, may be mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: these cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points.

CINNAMON-TORTIE POINT (including smoke): body ivory, may be mottled in older cats Points: light reddish brown, randomly mottled with red. Nose leather and paw pads: tan to pinkish beige; flesh or coral pink mottling desirable.

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SMOKE POINTS: white undercoat, deeply tipped with color consistent with the corresponding base color of red, cream, or seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn, or any of the appropriate base colors in particular. Points and mask appear solidly colored, with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. Nose leather and paw pads: appropriate base color.

SILVER LYNX POINTS: body clear white with any shading in the same tone as points. Points: : white undercoat, deeply tipped with color consistent with the corresponding base color of red, cream, seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears consistent with base color with paler thumbprint in center.. Nose leather: base color permitted or edged with base color preferred. Paw pads: appropriate base color.

SILVER TORTIE LYNX POINTS: body clear white with any shading in the same tone as points. Points: : white undercoat, deeply tipped with color consistent with the corresponding base color of seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn bars, distinct and separated by lighter background color; ears consistent with base color with paler thumbprint in center. Random mottling of red or cream overlays the markings of the points. Nose leather: base color permitted or edged with base color preferred, flesh or coral pink mottling may be present. Paw pads: appropriate base color. mottled with flesh or coral pink. NOTE: These cats resemble lynx points more than tortie points

SHADED POINTS: white undercoat with a mantle of tipping consistent with the base colors of red, cream, or seal, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon or fawn, or any of the appropriate base colors in particular, shading down from sides, face and tail from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, chest, underside and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as the face. Rims of

eyes, lips and nose outlined with color consistent with the corresponding base color. Nose leather and paw pads: appropriate base color.

YES (create pointed color class): 43 NO: 30

RATIONALE: Many of the point-restricted colors are unique to Orientals, and originate from the breed's diverse background. This is especially true of the cinnamon-based colors as well as those modified by silver.

This proposal adds a pointed color class to the Orientals which includes the cinnamon-based colors as well as the silver-modified colors.

The following proposals were submitted by other breed councils, as noted, and were not written by the Oriental Breed Council.

SIAMESE BREED COUNCIL BALLOT

Oriental BC Secretary comments: Cutoff dates for outcrossing are based on an antiquated thought that breeds are limited in color and pattern, that they **MUST** stand alone, and that a limited gene pool is measurable and acceptable. An overriding principal for genetic health is that we maximize genetic diversity. Outcrossing to Orientals does not affect the Siamese breed in any way, and should remain the decision of individual breeders whether or not to breed Siamese and Orientals together.

- It should not be up to the Siamese breed council to dictate how Orientals are bred.
- I urge you to vote "NO" on this item.

3. End the use of the Siamese breed as an outcross for the Oriental Shorthair breed, effective with litters born on or after May 1, 2010.

13 **Yes, I would like to end the outcross.**

60 **No, I would like the outcross to continue to be available to the Oriental breed.**

RATIONALE: The Oriental breed has been in existence since accepted in 1977. It has used the Siamese breed for over 30 years to develop a significant gene pool to support the standard chosen by its breeders. Furthermore, the Oriental has a large gene pool of cats to draw on in Europe and other areas of the world, where for the most part the Siamese cat has been subsumed into a wider group of cats bred for an oriental body style. If the Oriental breed is given a pointed color class, as it is requesting (see below), the entire purpose of the breed will be

changed. The outcross privilege of using the Siamese breed was given to the Oriental breed when their stated purpose was to mimic the Siamese breed in all but color. Creating a pointed division changes the nature of the breed and therefore negates the “grandfather” provision of the outcross.

As an established breed of cat, the Oriental has no need of using its parent breed to increase its gene pool or maintain its type, and if allowed to add a pointed division, has changed its nature so significantly that the “grandfather” provision for an outcross to the parent breed is negated.

Colorpoint Shorthair Breed Council Ballot

Oriental BC Secretary comments: Again, cutoff dates are based on an antiquated thought that breeds are limited in color and pattern, that they MUST stand alone, and that a limited gene pool is measurable and acceptable. An overriding principal for genetic health is that we maximize genetic diversity. Outcrossing to Orientals does not affect the Colorpoint Shorthair breed in any way, and should remain the decision of individual breeders whether or not to breed Colorpoint Shorthairs to Orientals.

- It should not be up to the Colorpoint Shorthair breed council to dictate how Orientals are bred.
- I urge you to vote “NO” on this item.

4. End the use of the Colorpoint Shorthair breed as an outcross for the Oriental breed, effective with litters born on or after May 1, 2010.

13 Yes, I would like to end the (Colorpoint Shorthair) outcross.

60 No, I would like the outcross to continue to be available to the Oriental breed.

RATIONALE: The Oriental breed has been in existence since accepted in 1977 when it used the Colorpoint Shorthair breed as one of its parents. It has used the Colorpoint Shorthair breed for over 30 years to develop a significant gene pool to support the standard chosen by its breeders. Furthermore, the Oriental has a large gene pool of cats to draw on in Europe and other areas of the world.

As an established breed of cat, the Oriental has no need of using its parent breed to increase its gene pool or maintain its type. Therefore the Colorpoint Shorthair Breed Council is voting to request that the Board end the outcross privilege effective with litters born on or after May 1, 2010.