## HOW DO I JOIN THE FUN? IT'S EASY



## HERE'S HOW. . .

### HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS

YOU CAN SHOW YOUR PRECIOUS KITTY IF IT IS SPAYED/NEUTERED AND NOT DECLAWED. YOUR CAT(S) COMPETES WITH OTHER HOUSEHOLD PETS AND RIBBONS ARE AWARDED BY THE JUDGES.

### PEDIGREED CLASSES



IF YOU HAVE A PEDIGREED CAT REGISTERED WITH THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION (CFA), IT'S A BIT MORE COMPLICATED. BUT. WE AT CFA HAVE A FANTASTIC MENTOR PROGRAM TO LEND A HELPING HAND.



### JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE IMPORTANT TO THE SPORT OF PEDIGREED CATS. JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES ARE HELD SO THAT YOUNG PEOPLE CAN PREPARE TO SHOW IN REGULAR CLASSES IN THE FUTURE.

CHECK OUT THE CFA WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO.







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THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. CAT SHOW GUIDE

# WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE CAT SHOW?



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# WHAT ARE THE JUDGES HANGING ON EACH CAT'S CAGE?

Licensed CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION (CFA) judges independently rank the cats. Top cats are awarded the following ribbons earning Regional & National CFA points.



SECOND in the color & sex group

FIRST in the color & sex group



THIRD in the color & sex group



WINNERS RIBBON Six are required to earn the title of Champion or Premier



BEST in the color class



SECOND in the color class



BEST in breed or division



SECOND in breed or division



**BEST** Champion or Premier



Merit Award for Household Pet



FINAL AWARDS Each judge presents his/her choice of the Top cats in the Kitten, Championship, Premiership, & Household Pet classes.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### CAN I TOUCH THE CATS AT THE SHOW?

WE ASK THAT SPECTATORS NOT TOUCH THE CATS WITHOUT THE OWNER'S PERMISSION.



WE KNOW IT IS VERY TEMPTING, BUT WHEN THE CATS ARE NOT IN THEIR CAGES, THEY ARE BEING GROOMED FOR THE JUDGING RINGS. A LOT OF WORK HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN BATHING AND COMBING OF THE CATS IN PREPARATION FOR THE SHOW AND EXHIBITORS WOULD PREFER THAT THE CATS NOT BE TOUCHED BY THE SPECTATORS. AND, WHEN YOU WATCH THE JUDGING, YOU WILL NOTICE THE JUDGES WASH THEIR HANDS WITH A DISINFECTANT BEFORE HANDLING EACH CAT TO AVOID ACCIDENTALLY PASSING GERMS FROM ONE CAT TO ANOTHER.

#### CAN I TAKE PHOTOS OF THE CATS AT THE SHOW?

YES, YOU MAY TAKE PHOTOS AT THE SHOW. HOWEVER, PLEASE ASK PERMISSION OF THE CAT'S OWNER, ESPECIALLY IF YOU WILL BE CLOSE TO THE CAT AND USING A FLASH WITH YOUR CAMERA.



### CAN I ASK A JUDGE QUESTIONS?

IF JUDGES ARE NOT ENGAGED IN THE HANDLING AND EVALUATING OF CATS, THEY WILL BE PLEASED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE. PLEASE REMEMBER, THOUGH, THAT THEIR FIRST PRIORITY IS THE EVALUATION OF THE CATS PRESENTED TO THEIR RINGS FOR JUDGING. IT IS BEST TO ASK YOUR QUESTIONS FROM YOUR SEAT INSTEAD OF WALKING INTO THE RING.

### WHY WON'T AN EXHIBITOR TALK TO ME?

A CAT SHOW CAN BE A VERY BUSY ENVIRONMENT. EXHIBITORS ARE OFTEN PREOCCUPIED WITH LISTENING FOR THEIR CAT'S NUMBER TO BE CALLED TO A RING, GROOMING THEIR CAT, OR TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH OTHER EXHIBITORS. UNLESS THEY ARE OTHERWISE OCCUPIED, THE MAJORITY OF EXHIBITORS WILL BE DELIGHTED TO SPEAK TO YOU. IF A PARTICULAR EXHIBITOR IS UNABLE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS IMMEDIATELY, PLEASE REVISIT THEM AT A LESS BUSY TIME.

YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK QUESTIONS OF AN EXHIBITOR WEARING AN AMBASSADOR BUTTON.



INFO ON THE BACK OF THIS BROCHURE

