

SHOW RULES

RULINGS

1. Shows organised by the CCG have received prior authorisation from the cantonal veterinarian.
2. The show rules follow the directives of the BLV (Federal Office for Food Safety and Veterinary Affairs).
3. The exhibitor must comply with the requirements of the cantonal veterinarians and the BLV, as well as those of the provisions adopted by the CCG, TICA (in the case of American judgements) and those of the present regulations.
4. By entering their cats, the exhibitor acknowledges the regulations of the CCG and undertakes to comply with the Swiss law on the protection of animals.

ENTRY

1. Only pedigree cats or house cats are allowed in our shows.
2. According to the guidelines of the BLV, the following breeds are no longer allowed to be shown: Japanese Bobtail - Manx - Munchkin
3. According to the guidelines of the BLV, the following breeds must present a certificate (3 sheets) signed by their veterinarian at the entrance of the show, which will be kept by the CCG in case of control:

British Shorthair and Longhair / American Burmese / White or predominantly white cats with blue or odd eyes with one blue eye, regardless of breed / Cornish Rex / Devon Rex / Other Rex / Exotic Shorthair / Persian / Sphinx and other nudes
4. Cat breeds with multiple genetic mutations are not allowed (Elf, Pudelkatze, etc.)
5. Feral cats or cats from domestic and feral marriages are not allowed until F5.
6. Household pets must be over 4 months old and must be neutered at least 9 months.
7. Entries can be made on our forms or online on our website (www.catclubdegeneve.ch).
8. The club asks the exhibitor to pay the entry fee at the time of registration and at the latest before the day of the show.
9. The registration will only become definitive on receipt of the confirmation.
10. The show catalogue will be sent by e-mail on the Thursday before the show.

CANCELLATION

1. The exhibitor undertakes to notify the organizer of absent cats as soon as possible by e-mail.

2. The entry fee must be paid, however, if the notification of absence is made after the Tuesday preceding the show.
3. In case of cancellation of all cats before the Tuesday before the show, an amount of CHF 20.00 will be retained as a handling fee.
4. Any registered exhibitor who, without a valid excuse, does not attend the show will be excluded from other club events.
5. The organizer reserves the right to cancel a show at any time in case of force majeure. Exhibitors will be notified by e-mail. In this case, either a credit note or a refund by bank transfer will be offered.

RECEPTION AND VETERINARY CONTROL

1. The showroom is open from 7.30 am on Saturday morning. For Sunday, the schedule will be announced on the microphone at the end of the day on Saturday.
2. One or more cages will be made available to the exhibitor. The exhibitor undertakes not to change his place, even within a square.
3. The veterinary control is compulsory for all the cats present.
4. The exhibitor must have their entry form stamped by the veterinarian.
5. The veterinarian is placed under the authority of the cantonal veterinarian.
6. The veterinarian will examine the cats for infectious diseases (rhinotracheitis, ringworm, etc.) and parasites.
7. Each cat must be accompanied by an international vaccination certificate attesting that it is correctly vaccinated against panleukopaenia (typhus) and infectious rhinotracheitis (coryza); the vaccine must not be more than one year old. For kittens presented in litters, they must have been vaccinated against typhus and coryza at least 15 days before the show. Vaccination against feline leukaemia is recommended.
8. Vaccination against rabies is required for cats coming from abroad, according to the directives of the Federal Veterinary Office.
9. The claws of cats entered for judging must be blunt.
10. If the returned cat shows symptoms of a contagious disease and/or parasites, all cats of the exhibitor concerned will be excluded from the show.
11. The verdict of the veterinarian is immediately applicable and cannot be contested by either the breeder or the organiser. In this case, no refund will be made.
12. An exhibitor presenting him- or herself after the veterinary control will be obliged, at their own expense, to have their cats examined by a veterinarian on duty.
13. Dogs are allowed in some of our shows as long as they do not disturb the cats or the exhibitors. They will also have to pass the veterinary visit and be up to date with their vaccinations.

WARNING: no dogs are allowed on the Palexpo-Geneva premises!

14. The access of exhibitors' and judges' dogs is subject to prior authorisation by the President of the GCC. Any dog not announced will be refused.

APPLICATION OF BLV RULES

New cages of 70x70x140 are provided, with one third of the cage at the front blocked (by the CCG) by a plate allowing the cat to isolate itself if it wishes. According to the BFV regulations, the cage on the public side must not be covered with plastic or Plexiglas.

Personal cages are not accepted, except for those who participate in one of our TICA judgements. In this case, they will have to have the BLV regulation size (70x70x70 cm for a cat). The cats must be perfectly visible to visitors. According to the BLV regulations, the cage on the public side must not be lined with plastic or Plexiglas.

By entering their cats, the exhibitor acknowledges the regulations of the CCG and undertakes to comply with the Swiss Animal Protection Act.

For the well-being of the cats, the exhibitor must:

Dress its cages with curtains and a carpet.

Provide a place of retreat to which the cat can have access at all times: padded resting board, hammock, tepee, cushion or basket.

Have fresh water and a litter box with litter in the cage.

If a cat becomes stressed or panicky and the owner is unable to calm it down, it is strongly advised that the cat is no longer shown. In the event of a repeat offence, the cat will be excluded permanently.

The club provides a quiet place outside the hall to isolate a cat in case of need.

If an exhibitor is caught mistreating their cat (a very rare occurrence, fortunately), they will be excluded from the club immediately and for life.

An aggressive cat is automatically disqualified.

RULES AND SANCTIONS

It is forbidden to set up the cages on Friday evening. Except for people who actively participate (at least half a day) in the assembly of the exhibition (cages, podium, secretariat, refreshment bar).

We remind all participants that

a) they must leave their place clean and their cage free of litter or waste.

b) it is strictly forbidden to put litter in the toilets.

Any damage caused to the club's equipment or the showroom must be reported immediately to Ms Thut or Ms Collomb-Clerc or to another member of the committee.

Any offender will be refused entry to our shows.

No cat will be allowed to leave the show before Ms Thut has announced the end of the show. In case of unauthorised departure, the club reserves the right to cancel the judging cards.

We remind you that it is strictly forbidden to smoke or drink alcohol to the point of being inebriated in the hall. Any person who contravenes these rules will be required to leave the premises immediately and may be excluded from future CCG shows.

Any person who, by his attitude towards the judges, towards other exhibitors or even towards the public, seriously damages the reputation of the CCG will be expelled from the show and will not be allowed to participate in other events of the club.

JUDGEMENTS

In our shows, cats must be present on both days and participate in one traditional judging per day, plus possibly specials. In some of our shows, there may be TICA judging.

During the judging, if the cat is not presented to the judge at the first call, it will be called twice more; if it does not show, it will be disqualified. The same procedure applies to the Best in Show. This is to avoid delaying the end of the show.

The list of judges on the entry form is provided as a guide. Some last minute changes may occur.

STEWARDS

The persons who register as stewards must be available from 9.45 a.m. until the end of the Best.

A steward may only register for one day.

Stewards must exercise discretion with regard to facts that come to their knowledge in the course of their duties and with regard to the opinions they express. Any breach of this principle may lead to the exclusion of the offender. At the end of the judgements, the steward receives a certificate signed by the judge.

In compensation, the stewards receive a voucher for a sandwich and a drink per day.

SALE

By order of the Federal Veterinarian, no cat may be sold at the show.

The breeder may nevertheless indicate on his cage(s) that they have kittens available.

The sale of products is strictly forbidden in the pens.

If some people wish to sell products, they will have to register as a sales stand.

EXCEPTIONAL REGULATIONS

The CCG reminds you that the regulations relating to Covid are dictated to it by various official bodies and that it must apply them.

At present, the health **pass** is compulsory at the entrance to Palexpo.

The **mask** will be compulsory to move around outside the squares and to go to judgement.

Regular hand **disinfection** is strongly recommended.

The regulations relating to Covid may be tightened or relaxed depending on the health situation at the time.