

SECTION 1 - REGISTRATION OF CATS/KITTENS

REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS

Active and Non-Active Registers

1. Only cats/kittens required for breeding purposes should be registered on the Active Register.
2. The Non-Active Register should be used for cats not required for breeding. Progeny of these cats will not be registered.
3. Only the breeder may apply to transfer a cat from the Non-Active to the Active Register on payment of the appropriate fee. The Executive Committee may order a transfer in exceptional circumstances where the breeder is no longer available.
4. Only the registered owner may ask to transfer a cat from the Active to the Non-Active Register. A fee will be charged which will be determined from time to time. The Executive Committee may order a transfer in exceptional circumstances where the owner is no longer available.

Litter Registrations

5. Applications will not be accepted for kittens under the age of one calendar month.
6. Registration for cats over the age of one year (with the exception of imports) will be referred to the Executive Committee.
7. Kittens may be registered Active or Non-Active as appropriate.
8. A Veterinary Certificate of Entirety for a stud cat must be lodged with the Registrar before his first litter will be registered.
9. The following information must be given for kittens for registration purposes:
 - a. The number of kittens in the litter.
 - b. The breed and apparent colour of each kitten.
 - c. The sex of each kitten.
 - d. Date of birth.
 - e. Name of each kitten.
 - f. Breeder's prefix (if appropriate).
 - g. A Mating Certificate is required if the breeder is not the registered owner of the sire.
10. The owner of the stud cat must provide a Certificate of Mating to the owner of the queen upon collection of the queen.
11. A Certificate of Mating must state the registered name, breed/breed description and registration number of both the sire and dam, and the dates of mating and must be signed by the registered owner(s) of the sire.

Transfer of Registration

12. When a cat or kitten is sold as a pedigree cat the seller must provide the purchaser with a properly completed pedigree signed by the breeder(s) carrying 3 generations at least, showing all the breed numbers and registration numbers, also the breeder's name and address. If the cat/kitten is not registered, a copy of the mating certificate shall be supplied to the new owner.
13. If at the time of sale, the cat or kitten is registered the seller shall provide the purchaser with a transfer form duly completed and signed by the seller, unless it is jointly agreed in writing by both parties, at the time of the sale not to do so.

Application for Prefix Registration

14. The name, including the registered prefix, may contain a maximum of 26 letters (including spaces) and not less than 2 and not more than 4 words.
15. A prefix may only be used to register cats bred and registered by the prefix owner(s).
16. The breeder of a cat is the registered owner of the dam on the date of the cat's birth. In the case of a joint prefix the dam must be registered in the joint ownership of the prefix holders at the time of the cat's birth. When the prefix is owned by a single owner, the dam must be owned by that single owner only to be valid for use.

Application for Non-Prefix Registrations

17. All non-prefix applications will commence with an administrative prefix which will be agreed by the GCCFI and will change from time to time as considered necessary.
18. The name, including the administrative prefix, may contain no more than a maximum of 26 letters (including spaces) and not less than 2 and not more than 4 words.

PREFIX APPLICATIONS

19. To apply for a prefix a person must be a member of a GCCFI affiliated club for one year.
20. The granting of prefixes is at the discretion of the Council and their decision is final.
21. Applications for Prefix are sent in the first place to GCCF for a computer check. Ten alternatives should be given because of the vast number registered in the U.K.
22. The following will not be accepted as a name or part of a name:
 - a. Names of living people
 - b. Names which are primarily registered business or trade names
 - c. Names which are primarily those of towns, countries or districts comprising a wide area
 - d. Numbers in figures or letters (John 111, Robert Fourth, Louis Quatorze, Sean a Cuig etc.)
 - e. Repetition of words previously registered by the same person or under the same prefix except recognised appropriate breed colour words in English or Irish

- f. Hyphens, apostrophes etc.
 - g. GCCFI Show titles (Supreme, Champion, Premier, Tara etc.)
23. No cat once registered can have the name changed in any particular except at the discretion of the Council whose decision is final.

REGISTRATION POLICIES

24. A cat whose sire and dam are registered with GCCFI is also eligible for registration in accordance with the current GCCF Registration Policy for the breed in question. GCCFI follows the GCCF Registration Policies.

Cats/Kittens from Other Registering Bodies:

25. Cats already registered with another registering body will be eligible for registration with the GCCFI by paying the appropriate fee and supplying the following documentation:
- a. Original of Certified Pedigree showing 3 (4) generations of breeding certified as correct by the other registering body. This certified pedigree must be in accordance with the current GCCF Registration Policy for the breed in question.
 - b. A copy of transfer of ownership/registration certificate to the applicant whichever appropriate.
 - c. A GCCFI “Application to Register” form completed and fee enclosed.
26. When a cat is already registered with another registering body its name will not be changed, except that hyphens, apostrophes, etc. will not be permitted and any spaces produced by such punctuation will be closed.
27. An indicator will be used after the name of the cat to show that the name has been imported from another registering body.

Cats/Kittens First Registered by GCCF:

28. When cats first registered by GCCF are subsequently registered by GCCFI having followed all the rules governing such registration, GCCFI, in acknowledgement of GCCF requirements, agree that we:
- a. Require a certified pedigree, before importing a cat onto our register.
 - b. Respect the validity of the GCCF Non-Active registration.
 - c. Require all cats at any shows we licence and/or organize to be vetted-in.
 - d. Maintain a rejection list and will supply the GCCF with a copy of this list.
 - e. Will supply the GCCF with lists of exhibitors at our shows, together with their addresses.

Reciprocal Agreement:

29. In accordance with our reciprocal agreement with GCCF all cats born in U.K. including N.I. must first be registered with GCCF and all cats born in the Republic of Ireland must first be registered with GCCFI.

30. If registration with GCCFI is sought for a cat first registered by GCCF (or other recognised registering body) the following must be supplied:
 - a. Original copy of a 3 generation certified pedigree from the registering body.
 - b. A copy of GCCF (or other) transfer to the new owner. Apart from confirming the ownership this document supplies the names of the owners of sires and dams necessary to complete our registration document and also confirms the status, i.e. active or non-active.
 - c. Application for Certified Pedigrees for entire male cats or kittens must be accompanied by a Veterinary Certificate of Entirety.