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# **New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc.**

## **Glossary**

# Amendment Summary

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**31 Jan 2017**

Updated 'Unable to be Judged' to replace 'UTJ Cat 2' with 'Unable to be Handled', and removing categories. (Ref: 17-004.)

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**07 Jan 2016**

Fractious Cat and Unable to be Handled redefined as Unable to be Judged Categories 1 or 2. (Ref: 16-010.)

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**31 Jan 14**

Issued as a separate document.

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## Amendment Process

- 0.1 Suggestions for minor amendments (minor errors or omissions which do not affect the intent) are welcome and may be submitted to the Executive Council Secretary. These will usually be incorporated the next time the page is reissued.
- 0.2 Proposals for significant amendments should also be submitted to the Executive Council Secretary but will require a process of assessment and approval prior to incorporation.

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# General

<b>All Breeds Club</b>	Caters for all breeds of cats.
<b>Agent</b>	A person acting for the breeder and or owner of a NZCF-registered cat / kitten specified in writing between the two parties and the consent, signed by both parties, must be lodged with the NZCF.
<b>Associate Member</b>	As defined by the NZCF Constitution under Associate Member.
<b>Benching Cages</b>	The cages in the show venue in which the exhibitor or agent places the exhibit(s) at the start of the show.
<b>Breeder</b>	Owner or lessee of a cat at the time kittens are born.
<b>Breed / Type</b>	A separate, distinct category of cat recognised.
<b>Cage Judging</b>	Where the judge moves along the benching cages, examines each exhibit, then returns the exhibit to its benching cage.
<b>Cat</b>	A domesticated feline of either gender; includes kittens.
<b>Championship Show</b>	A show licensed and approved by the Executive Council at which cats may compete for NZCF award certificates.
<b>Closed Show</b>	A show at which spectators, both exhibitors and the paying public, are excluded until the completion of judging, or the scheduled time for admission, whichever is earlier, but this does not exclude exhibitors who are working as officials at the show.
<b>Club</b>	An incorporated society, registered as a member of the NZCF pursuant to the NZCF Constitution.
<b>Companion Cat / Kitten</b>	A cat / kitten registered with the NZCF. It is a cat with some known pedigree or has a phenotype or appearance of a pedigree cat. All exhibits must be desexed.
<b>Complaint</b>	As defined in NZCF Disputes and Discipline document.
<b>Constitution</b>	The constitution of the NZCF.
<b>Display</b>	An exhibition approved by the Executive Council, of any number of exhibits without competition or awards, which any registered club may organise for fund raising or to create interest or instruction.
<b>Division</b>	Longhair Breed/Type Division, Shorthair Breed/Type Division,

	Companion Division, and Domestic Division at a show. Separate Best in Show awards and NZCF awards scoring shall be provided for each division.
<b>Domestic Cat / Kitten</b>	A cat not registered with the NZCF and not conforming to a Standard of Points for any recognised breed. All exhibits must be desexed.
<b>Executive Council</b>	The Executive Council of the NZCF.
<b>Exhibit</b>	At a show, any cat or kitten, entire, neutered, or spayed.
<b>Exhibitor</b>	The owner or lessee of an exhibit at a show.
<b>Fractious Cat</b>	<i>Refer Unable to be <u>Handled</u>.</i>
<b>Full Member</b>	As defined by the NZCF Constitution under Full Member.
<b>Handler</b>	A judge's assistant who is not required to perform bookwork but is required to assist with taking cats to and from judging tables and cages.
<b>Honorary Member</b>	A club member appointed by the club, who doesn't pay dues, and has no voting rights.
<b>Honours Registrar</b>	The NZCF official who records details of award points and awards won at NZCF shows.
<b>Kitten</b>	A cat less than 9 months old.
<b>Lessee</b>	The person(s) listed in the NZCF registers as leasing the cat from its owner(s), with such listing to have effect from the receipt of a certificate of lease by the registrar, until the lease term has expired or written notice that the lease has been earlier terminated in writing is received by the registrar.
<b>Lessor</b>	The owner(s) listed in the NZCF registers as leasing a cat to lessee(s).
<b>Life Member</b>	A club member elected for life and who doesn't pay dues, but has voting rights.
<b>Month</b>	A calendar month.
<b>Non-Championship Show</b>	A show licensed and approved by the Executive Council, at which exhibits may compete for prizes or awards but shall not compete for Challenge, Grand Challenge, Double Grand Challenge, Bronze Double Grand Challenge, Silver Double Grand Challenge, or Gold Double Grand Challenge points.
<b>NZCF</b>	New Zealand Cat Fancy Incorporated.

<b>Open Show</b>	A show at which exhibitors or their agents or club-appointed handlers may present the exhibits either to the judge or to the judging holding cages. The Show Schedule must state whether owner-handlers or club-appointed handlers are to be used at the show.
<b>Owner</b>	The person or persons listed in the NZCF registers as owning the cat.
<b>Parade</b>	A competition approved by the Executive Council, for any number of exhibits, with awards restricted to trophies, prize cards and ribbons only. Charges for the entry of exhibits or spectators are optional.
<b>Pedigree Cat</b>	A cat qualifying to be registered on either the NZCF full or provisional register.
<b>Registered Cat</b>	A cat for which an NZCF registration certificate has been issued by a NZCF registrar, or for which approval for registration has been given by the Executive Council.
<b>Ring Judging</b>	Where the judge officiates from one place in the show venue, with the exhibits being brought to and from the judging cages or judging tables.
<b>Runner</b>	A person who collects judging slips from judges and delivers them to the show office or scribes.
<b>Scribe</b>	A person in the show office assisting with the preparation of prize cards from the judging sheets.
<b>Section</b>	Part of a division. It shall be decided by individual clubs and stated in the show schedule, which sections within a division shall be available for entry at that club's show.
<b>Schedule of Breed Codes</b>	The list of breed codes and colours detailing the challenge status of each breed code, as published by NZCF, from time to time.
<b>Show</b>	Includes a championship show, a show, a display or a parade, licensed or approved by the Executive Council of the NZCF.
<b>Show Ring</b>	An area in the show venue for ring judging, with judging cages or tables set up, where the exhibits are brought by the exhibitors or agents or club-appointed handlers, for judging. Spectators are to be separated from the judging cages or tables, and should be provided with seating.
<b>Specialist Club</b>	A club which caters for stated breeds or stated colours.
<b>Standard of Points</b>	The breed standard of points approved by the NZCF from

time to time.

**Steward**

A judge's assistant who may be required to perform bookwork or other duties as required by the judge.

**The Act**

The Incorporated Societies Act 1908 or any amending or other legislation passed in substitution for the Act.

**Unable to be Handled**

A cat that is unable to be handled (UTH) due to being vicious or savage and attacks or injures any person who is authorised to handle the cat during a show.

**Unable to be Judged**

A cat that is unable to be judged (UTJ) due to being nervous or angry, and demonstrates its disapproval at being exhibited by noise and a menacing attitude, without attacking or savaging any person.

## Shows

**Kitten Open**

Classes in which all kittens four months and over but less than nine months on the first day of the show may compete.

**Kitten 4 - 6 months**

Classes in which kittens four months or over but less than six months on the first day of the show may compete.

**Kitten 6 - 9 months**

Classes in which kittens six months or over but less than nine months on the first day of the show may compete.

**Cat Open**

Classes in which all cats nine months and over may compete, without restriction or qualification and Champions, Grand Champions, Double Grand Champions, Bronze Double Grand Champions, Silver Double Grand Champions, Gold Double Grand Champions, Premiers, Grand Premiers and Double Grand Premiers, Bronze Double Grand Premiers, Silver Double Grand Premiers, Gold Double Grand Premiers are eligible to enter.

**Junior**

Classes for cats nine months or over but less than two years on the first day of the show.

**Intermediate**

Classes for cats two years or over but less than five years on the first day of the Show.

**Senior**

Classes for cats five years or over but less than seven years on the first day of the show.

**Veteran**

Classes for cats seven years or over on the first day of the show.

<b>Limit</b>	Classes for exhibits that have won fewer than four first prizes at a show, but wins as a kitten do not count when entering the limit class as a cat.
<b>Novice</b>	Exhibits that have not won a first prize in any class at a show, but wins as a kitten do not count when entering the novice class as a cat.
<b>Novice Exhibitor</b>	An exhibitor whose exhibits have not won a first prize at a show.
<b>New Zealand Bred</b>	Exhibits born in New Zealand.
<b>Stud Cat and Progeny</b>	Classes for males that are proven sires, judged together with two progeny from separate litters, including cats /kittens, neuter /spays, and / or exhibits from another owner, at the same show.
<b>Brood Queen and Progeny</b>	Classes for females that are proven dams, judged together with two progeny from separate litters, including cats / kittens, neuter /spays, and / or exhibits from another owner, at the same show.
<b>Pair</b>	Two cats or kittens of the same variety and colour (not necessarily of the same gender) belonging to the same exhibitor, who are judged on their similarity.
<b>Brace</b>	Two cats or kittens (not necessarily of the same sex, breed, or colour) belonging to the same exhibitor, each judged on their individual merit.
<b>Team</b>	Three cats or kittens, not necessarily of the same sex, breed, or colour belonging to the same exhibitors, and each judged on their individual merit.

## Awards

<b>Challenge</b>	<p>A certificate awarded by the NZCF to a cat winning first place in the Open Class at a show, (class numbers 1, 21, 41, and 61) if the judge considers the cat is of sufficient merit.</p> <p>Challenges are not awarded where the breed has not achieved challenge status or to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• kittens,</li><li>• cats of breeds AOV L or AOV S,</li><li>• any longhair and shorthair breeds with the colour suffix AOC L or AOC S, or</li><li>• any variants of a breed denoted by 'V' after the breed</li></ul>
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**Grand Challenge**

A certificate awarded by the NZCF to the Champion / Premier cat When the cat has attained the accumulated points required for this certificate.

**Double Grand Challenge**

A certificate awarded by the NZCF to the Grand Champion / Grand Premier cat when the cat has attained the accumulated points required for this certificate.

**Bronze Double Grand Challenge**

A certificate awarded by the NZCF to the Double Grand Champion / Double Grand Premier cat when the cat has attained the accumulated points required for this certificate.

**Silver Double Grand Challenge**

A certificate awarded by the NZCF to the Bronze Double Grand Champion / Bronze Double Grand Premier cat when the cat has attained the accumulated points required for this certificate.

**Gold Double Grand Challenge**

A certificate awarded by the NZCF to the Silver Double Grand Champion / Silver Double Grand Premier cat when the cat has attained the accumulated points required for this certificate.

**Champion**

A male or female cat that has won three challenge certificates from three different judges. \*

**Grand Champion \*****Double Grand Champion \*****Bronze Double Grand Champion \*****Silver Double Grand Champion \*****Gold Double Grand Champion \*****International Champion**

A male or female cat that has achieved champion status in two or more countries.

**Premier**

A neuter or spay cat that has won three challenge certificates from three different judges. \* A desexed Champion must win three challenge certificates from three different judges in neuter or spay classes to become a Premier.

**Grand Premier \*****Double Grand Premier \*****Bronze Double Grand Premier \*****Silver Double Grand Premier \***

**Gold Double Grand Premier \*****International Premier**

A neuter or spay cat that has achieved Premiership status in two or more countries.

- \* The certificates to qualify for Grand Champion, Double Grand Champion, Bronze Double Grand Champion, Silver Double Grand Champion, Gold Double Grand Champion, Premier, Grand Premier, Double Grand Premier, Bronze Double Grand Premier, Silver Double Grand Premier and Gold Double Grand Premier will be awarded when the cat has attained the accumulated points required for these certificates.