



# HAMILTON CAT CLUB INC



For the Love of Cats

## **74<sup>th</sup> Annual Five Ring All Breeds Championship Show**

**Sponsorship: Ring 1 - Royal Canin Rings 2 - 5 Club Sponsors and Donations**

**Venue: Tamahere Community Centre, 21 Devine Road, Tamahere, Hamilton**

**Date: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

### **Our Judges:**

***Michelle Ristuccia – ACF – GCCFSA***

***Narelle Spencer – Cats Australia***

***Kingsley Schmidtke – ACF – GCCFSA***

***Rodney McGregor – ACF – QICC***

***Deborah Cameron – ACF – Cats NSW***

***Sue Ford - NZCF***

***Chris Lowe - NZCF***

***Diane Holtom - NZCF***

***Debbie Davidson - NZCF***

***Fiona Maclean – Catz Inc***

Section	Ring 1	Ring 2	Ring 3	Ring 4	Ring 5
LH Entire Cats	Kingsley Schmidtke	Narelle Spencer	Chris Lowe	Sue Ford	Fiona Maclean
LH Entire Kittens	Kingsley Schmidtke	Narelle Spencer	Chris Lowe	Sue Ford	Fiona Maclean
LH N/S Cats	Kingsley Schmidtke	Narelle Spencer	Chris Lowe	Sue Ford	Fiona Maclean
LH N/S Kittens	Kingsley Schmidtke	Narelle Spencer	Chris Lowe	Sue Ford	Fiona Maclean
SH Entire Cats	Rodney McGregor	Diane Holtom	Michelle Ristuccia	Deborah Cameron	Debbie Davidson
SH Entire Kittens	Rodney McGregor	Diane Holtom	Michelle Ristuccia	Deborah Cameron	Debbie Davidson
SH N/S Cats	Rodney McGregor	Diane Holtom	Michelle Ristuccia	Deborah Cameron	Debbie Davidson
SH N/S Kittens	Rodney McGregor	Diane Holtom	Michelle Ristuccia	Deborah Cameron	Debbie Davidson
Domestics & Companions	Rodney McGregor	Narelle Spencer	Michelle Ristuccia	Deborah Cameron	Kingsley Schmidtke

Please note – There may be minor changes to assignments depending on numbers in classes, or if a judge is unable to attend for whatever reason.

This is an open show with club appointed handlers and will be held under the Rules and By-Laws of the New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc, and the Hamilton Cat Club Inc. By signing your Entry Form, you are deemed to have agreed to abide by these Show By-Laws. The club reserves the right to refuse any entry without giving any reason for doing so.

**Student Judges** may be on the floor doing practical assignments so if you **do not** wish to have your cats/kittens included, please notify the entry clerk on your entry form.

**Covid 19** The club will take all required precautions to keep our exhibitors safe at this show. **We will follow the MOH guidelines and requirements as they stand at the time of this show.**

## NZCF Awards - Top Tens in All Classes

### Supreme Awards

Award decisions are based on a computer-generated points system using the top ten placings for all classes.

Results entered in each class will be used to find the Twelve Top of Class Exhibits.

There will then be a judge off for the four Supreme exhibits, and for the Overall Supreme.

### SHOW TIMETABLE:

Benching/Vetting Starts	Final Vetting/Entry	Hall Cleared	Judging Commences	Show Open to Public	Show closes (if all awards out)
7am	8am	8.15am	8.30am	10 – 3pm	4.30pm

### NZCF Awards:

Associate Membership is required if you wish to compete for national points and NZCF Awards.

### Catering:

Food and refreshments will be available on site from 7am to 3pm. Prices and menu will be displayed.

### Workers/Help on Show Day:

If you can offer to help on show day, please indicate on your entry form and you will be contacted prior to the show. Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided for those working in official capacities. Thank you in advance.

### Parking:

Parking is available in the carparks. There is limited permit parking. Please mark on your entry form if disabled access parking is required.

### Privacy Act:

**Please note:** Only exhibitor's name (and prefix for breeders) will be printed in the Show Catalogue.

### SHOW OFFICIALS:

<b>Show Manager:</b>	David Crymble	021 226 9329
<b>Asst Show Manager:</b>	Ellie King	020 4068 1016
<b>Health &amp; Safety Officer:</b>	Megan King	027 2841054
<b>Show Secretary:</b>	Anita Cheetham	027 482 1675
<b>Entry Clerk:</b>	Anita Cheetham	027 482 1675

**Committee:** Anita Cheetham, Megan King, Ellie King, Aimee Malpass, David Crymble, John Smithson, Sheree Russell, Rachel Ladd, Jan Gray

**Patron:** Miriel Collins

**Life Members:** M. Collins, R. McLean, L. Cheetham

For Emergencies on show day phone either.

Secretary – Anita Cheetham or Show Manager – David Crymble, see numbers above.

PLEASE SEND ALL ENTRIES TO:  
[hamiltoncatclub@hotmail.com](mailto:hamiltoncatclub@hotmail.com)  
Anita Cheetham, 15 Mooney Street, Newton, Hamilton, 3200  
(courier recommended if posting)  
027 482 1675

### SCHEDULE OF FEES:

**ENTRIES CLOSE: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025**

**Ring fees:** All Exhibits \$16.00 per ring (\$80.00 for 5 rings)

**NZCF Benching Fee:** Per Exhibitor per ring (first exhibit only): \$6.00 (5 rings = (\$30)

**Catalogue:** Prepaid catalogue \$10.00, On the day \$12.00

**Stall space:** \$40.00 plus \$10.00 per table- Space is limited.

#### **Advertising:**

Full Page	\$40.00
Half Page	\$20.00
Business card advert	\$10.00

#### **ACCOUNT NUMBER FOR ONLINE PAYMENT\*: 03-1555-0063325-00**

Email entries and internet banking will be acknowledged by reply email.

Please provide a reference when you make your payment (e.g., Show Entries & your name/Prefix).

#### **Cages – club supply:**

Our larger crates measure 76cm (w) x 54cm (d) x 62cm (h). These will be predominantly used for the larger breeds – Maine Coon, Siberian etc.

Our middle size crates measure 61cm (w) x 46cm (d) x 54cm (h). These will be used for the majority of show exhibits.

Our crates **do not** have solid sides so Curtains are a must. If you do not have curtains, we can give you a contact or two for purchasing curtains. Please talk to the secretary if you need this information. We do have lightweight corflute for between exhibits. We now have a ‘curtain library’ so if you are new to showing, talk to us about what colours we have available.

#### **Cages – own supply:**

You are welcome to bring your own show cage, we ask please that you write this on your show entry form. Cages must be wire and no larger than 76cm. **Any questions please contact the Show Manager**

#### **Veterinary Inspection:**

Cats may be ultraviolet lamped. Vaccination certificates must be available for all exhibits, kittens' vaccination books must be presented to the entry clerk.

**Kittens must have two vaccinations 3-4 weeks apart, and the last dose at least 48 hours prior to show**  
- adults should have had at least one vaccination in the last three years.

**Please note** No exhibitors to leave the hall area until all exhibits have been cleared by the vets.

## SCHEDULE OF PEDIGREE CLASSES

Class	Male	Female	Neuter	Spay
Open Cat (Challenge)	01	21	41	61
Junior Cat	02	22	42	62
Intermediate Cat	03	23	43	63
Senior Cat	04	24	44	64
Veteran Cat	05	25	45	65
NZ Bred	06	26	46	66
Open Kitten (No Challenge)	11	31	51	71
Kitten 4-6 Months	12	32	52	72
Kitten 6-9 Months	13	33	53	73
NZ Bred Kitten	14	34	54	74

### Type

In classes 111 - 171 Longhair breed/type exhibits compete against all other Longhair breed/type exhibits; Shorthair breed/type exhibits compete against all other Shorthair breed/type exhibits. Judging takes into account only the shape/type of the exhibit, not coat condition or eye colour.

Class	Male	Female	Neuter	Spay
Open Type Cat	101	121	141	161
Open Type Kitten	111	131	151	171

### Breeder's Award of Merit:

This award is made at the discretion of the Judge for the exhibit which in his/her opinion is most worthy of the award. The certificate shall be sent to the **BREEDER** of the exhibit. There is no class number, entry fee or prize money.

## CHALLENGE CERTIFICATES

The Honours Registrar will advise when a cat qualifies as a Champion or Premier, so there is no need to issue certificates on the day. All adult Cats are now eligible for Challenge Certificates.

### DOMESTICS and COMPANIONS:

All Domestic and Companions will be entered automatically into relevant classes. Also, if kitten or cat is owned by a child – please advise on your entry form to be eligible for awards. Also please advise if the cat/kitten has come from a recognized rescue organization.

### Companion and Domestic Cat Coat Definitions

**Longhair** has a coat of **MORE** than 3 cm long (approx. 1 inch) and stands out from its body when brushed forwards. Hair on tail may stand out like a plume.

**Shorthair** is not easily brushed forward, may be flat and sleek or dense but not flowing.

### Companion and Domestic Cats Entry Eligibility

1. All Companion cats and kittens must be desexed (neutered or spayed)
2. All Domestic cats and kittens must be desexed (neutered or spayed)
3. All Kittens must hold a current vaccination certificate with the most recent vaccination being dated at least seven (7) days prior to the show. Please ensure you have your current vaccination certificate with you.
4. Exhibits entering the Companion Cats Section must meet the criteria of Rule 6a of the NZCF Registered Companion Cats Section

*(6a – As this division is intended as a division to enable pedigree, part pedigree, or pedigree phenotype cats to be shown specifically separate from unregistered Domestic exhibits, no cat without prior dispensation from the Executive Council which has been awarded Grand Champion or higher in either Entire or Neuter/Specy Divisions will be permitted to be shown as Registered Companion Cats).*

**SEE END OF SCHEDULE FOR NEW EXHIBITOR GUIDELINES, COMPANION CAT RULES AND COLOUR CHART.**

### **DEFINITION OF TERMS USED**

<b>CAT</b>	Feline of 9 months of age or older on show day
<b>JUNIOR CAT:</b>	Feline under the age of two years on show day
<b>INTERMEDIATE CAT</b>	Feline 2 years but under the age of 5 years on show day
<b>SENIOR CAT</b>	Cat 5 years but under the age of 7 on show day
<b>VETERAN CAT</b>	Cat 7 years and older on show day
<b>KITTEN</b>	A kitten less than 9 months of age on show day
<b>OPEN KITTEN</b>	Where kittens 4 months and over but less than 9 months of age on show day compete against each other
<b>KITTEN 4-6 MTHS</b>	Kittens 4 months and over but less than 6 months on show day
<b>KITTEN 6-9 MTHS</b>	Kittens 6 months and over but less than 9 months on show day
<b>NZ BRED</b>	Exhibits born in New Zealand ( <b>Overseas Imports cannot be entered</b> )
<b>MONTH</b>	One calendar month
<b>OWNER</b>	The person or persons listed in the NZCF registers as owning the cat.

### **Exhibitors:**

You are responsible for entering your exhibits in the correct classes. It's not up to us to assume that they have been entered correctly, we only follow your instructions. If you are unsure of how to fill out your entry forms, please contact your entry clerks or secretary for confirmation.

### **Early Departure from Show:**

If you wish to depart the show earlier than the scheduled time of closing (in accordance with show bylaw 10.8) you will need to fill in the form attached at the end of this document and have this in the hands of the Show Manager (copy to show secretary). Emergency departures will be handled as necessary.

### **Reclassification of Cats/Kittens at Show**

If during the show, concern is raised that your kitten has been registered incorrectly, under the NZCF's Registration Rules your kitten can be reclassified on show day with the agreement of three judges. Show Secretary has the necessary forms.

### **Prizes:**

Prizes, cards, and ribbons/rosettes will be distributed at the end of judging. Exhibitors will be responsible for putting prizes away. **The Club takes no responsibility for the loss of prizes at the Show.** All prizes offered and won will be given out on the day of the show. In the case of an objection to an award being lodged, such objections must be notified to the Show Secretary and any prizes will be withheld until matters are resolved.

## **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THIS SHOW**

1. This show is held under the Rules & By-Laws of the NZCF Inc. and the Hamilton Cat Club Inc. All Exhibitors are deemed to have agreed to abide by such rules. Copies of the Show Bylaws can be downloaded from the website [www.nzcf.com](http://www.nzcf.com).
2. **REFUNDS:** Upon written application to the Show Secretary, any exhibit may be withdrawn from any Show with full refunds prior to the show Entry closing date; and after that date with a possible forfeiture of part or all of the Club Entry Fee, and all payment of the Benching Fee due NZCF.
3. **Entry Forms:** Only the official entry form as adopted by the NZCF will be accepted for this show. If you are in doubt as to how to complete your entry form please contact the **Show Secretary**.
4. Exhibitors are responsible for entering their exhibits in the correct classes. Particulars entered on the entry form shall be identical to those given on the Registration or Transfer Certificate. If a kitten is owned by more than one owner the names of all the owners shall be given on all entry forms.
5. As per Bylaw 3.1, Cats shown must be registered with an NZCF recognized registry and shown under their registration number, provided that they meet NZCF criteria for registration and showing.
6. Exhibits **MUST** be presented at the venue in **CARRY CAGES** of ample size (not on leads or in arms) which must be left under each cat's benching cage during the show so that all cats could be evacuated speedily in case of emergency.
7. **No exhibit shall be removed from the show before the scheduled closing time without the prior permission of the Show Manager or in their absence, the Show Secretary. (form attached).**
8. **Vaccination Certificates:** Vaccination certificates are required for all exhibits, kittens must be presented to the entry clerk prior to benching. Kittens must have a minimum of two vaccinations with the most recent being at least 48 hours prior to the show.
9. All exhibits must have **CLEAN EARS & COATS FREE FROM RINGWORM, MANGE & VERMIN.**
10. Vetting will be In Cage as per the Show Bylaws.
11. All exhibits shall be examined by a Veterinary Surgeon in the show hall. If in his/her written opinion any exhibit is not fit to remain in the show the exhibit shall be withdrawn from competition and removed from the venue **IMMEDIATELY**. If so instructed other exhibits owned by the exhibitor must be removed from the venue. Veterinary decision shall be final. No entry fees will be refunded for any exhibit declared unfit on the day of the show. A vet rejection form is compulsory, including if the owner wants to 'withdraw' the cat/kitten.
12. No exhibitor shall exhibit a cat/kitten which to his/her knowledge has, at the date of the show, been exposed to any infectious or contagious illness, disease, infection or contagious or parasitic illness or infection within a period of 21 clear days prior to the date of the show and NO cat/kitten shall be exhibited if the exhibitor has had any such illness in his/her cattery during such period. If, in the opinion of the show committee, or any other person, an exhibitor is in breach of the above, such case shall be reported immediately, in writing to the National Secretary.
13. Female cats which are obviously in kitten or entire male cats or kittens without both testicles palpable beyond the stomach wall, or declawed cats or kittens shall be disqualified by the Veterinary Surgeon or a judge, and a veterinary rejection certificate shall be completed as per bylaw 11.2h.
14. **All claws of each exhibit shall be clipped prior to benching.**
15. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry at any time, fix or limit the number of entries, amend prize lists or use donations at their discretion.
16. Exhibitor envelopes will be available to each exhibitor prior to benching. Cages (unless otherwise organized) and litter will be supplied by the Club.
17. No signs or decorations with your cattery or other distinguishing name will be allowed in or on cages until judging is completed.
18. Colored curtains and bedding is allowed, unmarked mats on top of cages are acceptable for judging purposes. A judge may by-pass any cage where the cage front restricts access to the cage.
19. Exhibits without bedding may not be judged.
20. No Exhibitor has permission to sell cats or kittens on the day of the show within the confines of the hall or in the car park. A notice board will be provided if space permits.
21. The Club accepts no responsibility for exhibits or property but will endeavor to see that all care is taken.
22. Please remember the principle of GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP, those behaving in an unseemly manner will be asked to vacate the venue.

**Thank you to our major sponsor**





For the love of Cats

## Hamilton Cat Club Inc Guidelines for New Exhibitor's

Thank you for exhibiting at our show.

The show is designed to be a fun day for you where you will learn about what happens at a cat show.

Make sure you have entered your cat or kitten. Entries need to be completed and with the entry clerk no later than the Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> of June 2025.

Some useful tips - Before show preparation:

Groom your cat regularly as this will reduce the loose hair on the day and take out the summer/winter coats.

- A couple of days before the show give your cat a good groom, (different breeds require different grooming, if unsure about how to best care for your cat's coat, please ask.)
- Make sure ears, eyes and nose are all clean, wipe your cats bottom last. (Wipes are easy and less mess to use)
- Please clip your cats nails the night before show, all 4 paws.
- Make sure your cat is free from fleas
- On the morning of the show, give the cat a final once over, check and wipe eyes.

This show is being held at the Tamahere Community Centre. You need to be there between 7.00am and 7.45am to bench your cat (Put it in its show cage).

Please bring your exhibit in a suitable carry cage (like the one you use when going to the vet). Also bring its vaccination certificate.

The exhibit will be in a show cage while you are at the show so it will need:

- Something to sit on (cushion, bed, blanket or towel).
- A small litter box in case it needs to go toilet during the day (HCC will supply the litter).
- You may like to also bring some water and a small container for it to have a drink.
- A few little treats or cat biscuits in case it gets hungry, ideally it is best to put these in the cage AFTER your exhibit has been judged.

The cages have wire sides so to make your exhibit feel more secure and relaxed you may like to decorate your cage with curtains (or a towel or fabric pegged or clipped or tied round the top) plus maybe a favorite toy.

You will be able to sit, watch and listen while your exhibit is being judged and it is a great opportunity to learn about this interesting hobby. While you are in the venue it is appreciated if you turn your cellphone to silent, as too much noise can often distract or upset the exhibits. Please do not use a flash when taking photos.

There will be food and drink on sale at the venue for when you get hungry and need something to eat, so bring some money for food and there are plenty of raffles.

This is planned to be a fun and interesting day. If you have any queries or questions, big or small, either on show day or before show day, or about entering please contact the club by the email address provided above.

We are here to help you.

Best wishes and see you on 6<sup>th</sup> of July

The team from Hamilton Cat Club.

## REGISTERED COMPANION CATS

1. A Registered Companion Cat Section may be included in NZCF sanctioned Shows. The section may be judged by judges already contracted to judge another section at the same Show, including Domestic Judges.
2. All cats/kittens competing in the Companion Cat/Domestic Sections shall be de-sexed.
3. There will be two Divisions, Longhair and Shorthair, and cats and kittens will compete in their own sections within these Divisions.
4. The Registered Companion Cat Section will compete for titles, and cats having the necessary number of challenges will be known as Premier Companions, right up to Gold Double Grand Premier status.  
*i.e. Premier Companion Cats, Grand Premier Companion Cats, Double Grand Premier C Cs, Bronze Double Grand Premier C Cs, Silver Double Grand Premier C Cs, Gold Double Grand Premier C Cs.*
5. Every cat placed in the Top 10 will be eligible for challenges, and 3 challenges from 3 different Judges are required before Premier Companion status is awarded (challenge certificates will be awarded only to cats in the top 10).
6. A cat which has been awarded challenges or other awards, and transfers into or out of the Registered Companion Cat section, cannot retain any awards or titles when so transferring.  

As this Division is intended as a Division to enable pedigree, part pedigree, or pedigree phenotype cats to be shown specifically separate from unregistered Domestic exhibits, no cat which has been awarded Grand Champion or higher in either Entire or Neuter /Spay Divisions will be permitted to be shown as Registered Companion Cats
7. All cats and kittens entered in the Registered Companion Cat Section shall be entered under their registered name with the Prefix and breed number deleted from the Show Catalogue. The Show Catalogue must state the approximate age in years and months, and the Companion Cat registration number of the exhibit.  

An unregistered cat or kitten when shown in the Companion Cat Division may be registered as a Companion Cat by its owner using its pet name.
8. A cat or kitten entered in the Domestic Section of a Show, which has some known pedigree, or has the phenotype or appearance of any pedigree cat, will be transferred from the Domestic Section to the Registered Companion Cat Section of that Show by the Show Secretary, with the registration number shown in the catalogue as "pending". The Show Secretary will notify the owner of the exhibit of such change before the start of the Show.
9. Should a cat or kitten entered in the Domestic Section of a Show be noticed on Show day to have the phenotype of a pedigree, then the terms of Clause 8 will apply.
10. On receipt of the marked catalogue, the Honours Registrar will initiate a registration number for any exhibit which has not previously had such granted, and will notify the new registration number to the owner of the exhibit. Registered Companion Cats registration numbers will have the prefix of CC, plus indication as to Longhair or Shorthair (CCL or CCS).
11. There will be no additional fees payable for registration of Registered Companion Cats, which may be initiated by the owner, the Show Secretary, or the Honours Registrar.
12. The Approved Standard for Registered Companion Cats is as follows:
  - [a] **General Physical Condition:** The cat should be in excellent health, with good coat condition. Battle scars are permissible provided they are clean.
  - [b] **Grooming And Cleanliness:** A high standard of grooming is a requirement with no sign of any dirt or other foreign matter. Eyes and ears must be clean.
  - [c] **Coat:** The coat colour and markings should be visually appealing, healthy and glossy, indicating good condition, with colour and markings melding to give an overall pleasing appearance.
  - [d] **Temperament:** No specific type, coat or breed standard is applicable. Excellent temperament is a major requirement.
  - [e] **Appearance:** The cat should be bright-eyed with an alert facial expression, with eye colour complementing the coat and pattern and colour. Overall, the cat should be visually appealing to the eye.

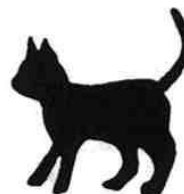
## 13. SCALE OF POINTS FOR REGISTERED COMPANION CATS

General Physical Condition	20
Grooming and Cleanliness	20
Coat	20
Temperament	20
Appearance	<u>20</u>
Total	<b><u>100</u></b>



## SOLID COLOUR GROUP

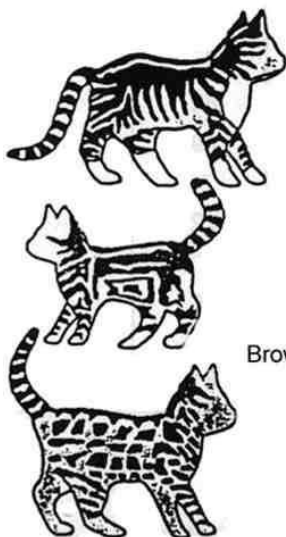
All Black, All Blue (grey)  
All White, All Red (ginger)



## BROKEN COLOUR GROUP

Black & White, Blue (Grey) & White, Tortoiseshell,  
Tortoiseshell & White, Blue-Cream, Blue-Crem & White,  
Smoke, Smoke & White, Black with a few White Hairs,  
also

any solid colour with a white locket or tummy spot, (eg: Red with White Locket)  
White with Black Patches, White with Blue (Grey) Patches,  
White with Red (Ginger) Patches. White with Cream Patches,  
White with Tortoiseshell Patches, White with Blue-Cream Patches.

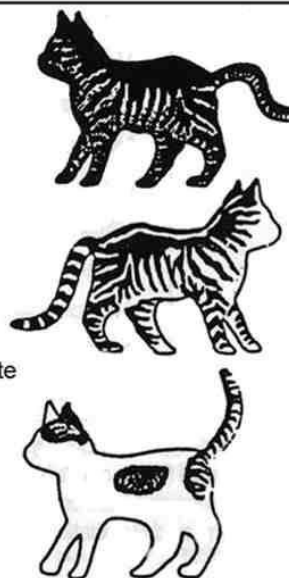


## TABBIES GROUP

Blue (Grey) Tabby, Blue (Grey) Tabby and White  
Silver Tabby, Silver Tabby and White  
Cream Tabby, Cream Tabby and White  
Red (Ginger) Tabby, Red (Ginger) Tabby and White,  
Brown Tabby, Brown Tabby and White  
Tawny Tabby, Tawny Tabby and White,  
Smoke Tabby, Smoke Tabby and White,  
Tortoiseshell Tabby, Tortoiseshell Tabby & White,  
Brown Tortoiseshell Tabby, Brown Tortoiseshell Tabby and White

Any other colour Tabby.  
ALSO, any Tabby with a White Locket or tummy spot,  
(eg - Brown Tabby with Locket)

Please state colour of Tabby Patches.



## ANY OTHER COLOUR GROUP

If your cat or kitten will not fit  
into any of the other colour groups,  
then it belongs here.



## TAILESS OR STUMPY



any colour allowed

Stumpy -  
with a bob tail



## NEW ZEALAND CAT FANCY INC.

### Permission for Early Departure from a Show

In accordance with Show Bylaws, para 10.8:

**Removal of an exhibit before the show has been officially closed without the prior permission of the Show Manager or Show Secretary will result in the loss of all club awards and NZCF annual awards points and any title points.**

#### **Planned early departures**

Permission should be sought as soon as possible, and **a minimum of 24 hours before the start of the show**, using this form.

#### **Emergency early departures**

**Require the permission of the Show Manager or Show Secretary** and that should be recorded on this form.

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**Club or Name of Show:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Show:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibitor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Show Manager / Show Secretary*

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*Date*