



2024 BREED COUNCIL POLL

ABYSSINIAN

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For the Term May 1, 2025 – April 30, 2027

Please vote for only one candidate.

- ☐ Beth Reilly (Snyder, NY)
- ☐ Abstain

1. PROPOSED: move the color of the hair on the ears from the EARS section to the color descriptions:

EARS: alert, large, and moderately pointed, ~~broad, and cupped~~ broad and cupped at base and set as though listening. Hair on ears very short and close lying, ~~preferably tipped with black on a ruddy Abyssinian, chocolate on a cinnamon Abyssinian, slate blue on the blue Abyssinian or light cocoa brown on a fawn Abyssinian.~~

ABYSSINIAN COLORS

RUDDY: coat ruddy brown (burnt-sienna) ticked with black: the extreme outer tip to be the darkest, with orange-brown undercoat. Tail and ears tipped in black.

CINNAMON: coat rich, warm glowing red, ticked with chocolate-brown, the extreme outer tip to be the darkest with red-orange undercoat. Tail and ears tipped with chocolate brown.

BLUE: coat warm beige, ticked with slate blue, the extreme outer tip to be the darkest, with blush beige undercoat. Tail and ears tipped with slate blue.

FAWN: coat warm rose-beige, ticked with light cocoa brown, the extreme outer tip to be the darkest, with blush beige undercoat. Tail and ears tipped with light cocoa brown.

RATIONALE: this does not change the standard. This puts ear color in the color section rather than in the ear section. It is more concise and logical. Excessive comma removed between 'broad and cupped at base'.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

2. PROPOSED: More clearly describe the ear set:

EARS: alert, large, and moderately pointed: broad and cupped at the base and set as though listening so that the outside line of the ear follows the outer line of the modified wedge shape without interruption.

RATIONALE: This is more descriptive of the ear set.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

3. PROPOSED: include undesirable ear set in the PENALIZE section:

PENALIZE: off-color pads. Long narrow head, short, round head... Ears too high or too low that disrupt the smooth lines of the modified wedge.

RATIONALE: Both high and low ears do not meet the standard.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

4. PROPOSED: Update Registration Rules:

Cats assigned 0358/0359 prefixes can be reregistered with prefixes matching their color (0380-0387) if they have 8 generations of Abyssinian x Abyssinian and a DNA test to show they do not carry the longhair gene.

RATIONALE: It's time to move past the 'in perpetuity' of an issue that happened years ago.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

Ballots must be completed online, or received in CO, by Thursday, December 12, 2024.