



2024 BREED COUNCIL POLL

COLORPOINT SHORTHAIR

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

Please vote for only one candidate.

- ☐ Mary Kolencik (Kissimmee, FL)
☐ Abstain

1. PROPOSED: Revise the Colorpoint Shorthair Rules for Registration (ROR) to clarify whether cats with longhair (LH) or longhair carrier (LHC) designations within the number of generations required for registration by pedigree is allowed. The proposed change clearly makes such cats not allowed unless the owner submits documentation of DNA testing showing the cat is not itself a longhair and does not carry LH.

Current:

DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):

Cinnamon point	Fawn point	(02/12) effective 05/12 do not accept albino colors

Proposed:

DO NOT ACCEPT (cat to be registered or cats in background):

Cinnamon point	Fawn point	(02/24) Longhair or Longhair Carrier*	(02/12) effective 05/12 do not accept albino colors

* Any cat submitted for Registration Via Pedigree that contains longhair or longhair carrier within the number of generations required for registration with a 52xx prefix must include documentation of DNA testing to prove the cat is not itself longhair and does not carry longhair in order to be registered via pedigree. All such cats will be assigned the regular BCS code for the cat's color. A

notation will be made in the cat's record that DNA testing documentation has been received confirming the cat is not a longhair and does not carry longhair.

RATIONALE: The current ROR for CPSH states that the only allowable outcross for CPSH or CPSH registered by pedigree (aka imports) is Siamese. However some associations that register Siamese-type cats phenotypically may include a designation of LHC (longhair carrier) while still registering the cat as Siamese in their registry. The CPSH ROR do not make it clear whether such cats can be imported.

This proposal would do two things. First, it would clarify that cats with LH or LHC in their 2-gen pedigree cannot be imported as CPSH. Second, it would allow such cats to be imported if the owner provides DNA testing to prove the cat itself is a shorthair and does not carry the LH recessive. This language is similar to what is in the ROR of the British Shorthair.

With our current requirement to import a cat with two generations as a 52xx prefix CPSH, it would not be difficult to import cats that could be carriers of the LH recessive. If an owner finds a cat of an appropriate CPSH color but with LH or LHC in the 1st or 2nd generation, the owner need only breed it for a generation or two until the LH/LHC is off the two generations and then import the offspring. The offspring could theoretically carry the LH recessive. By allowing the cat to be imported as long as DNA testing shows it does not carry LH, we would know the status of the cat to be a homozygous shorthair. LH or LHC cats could still appear in the 3rd or higher generations, but with LH in those higher generations the likelihood that the cat being imported carries the recessive that far is less probable.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

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