



2024 BREED COUNCIL POLL

EXOTIC

EXOTIC BREED COUNCIL SECRETARY BALLOT

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

Please vote for only one candidate.

- ☐ Lynn A. Cooke (North Salem, NY)
☐ Abstain

1. PROPOSED: Change the current standard under the section NOSE to add, “open nostrils” to the description:

NOSE: short, snub, and broad, with open nostrils, and a “break” centered between the eyes.

RATIONALE: In order to stress breeding healthy cats that can breathe freely, the standard should be more descriptive about the nostril opening. Pinched nares that restrict airflow is neither desirable nor ethical breeding.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

2. PROPOSED: Change the current standard under the section DISQUALIFY to add the description “Break level with, or higher than the top of the eyes.”

DISQUALIFY: locket or button. Kinked or abnormal tail. Incorrect number of toes. Any apparent weakness in the hind quarters. Any apparent deformity of the spine. Deformity of the skull resulting in an asymmetrical face and/or head. Crossed eyes. Break level with or higher than the top of the eyes.*

RATIONALE: The standard should stress a sweet open expression, penalizing a coarse, overly extreme head, which is neither desirable nor ethical breeding.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

3. PROPOSED: Add a color class for “Silver Tabby White” in the CALICO and Bi-COLOR DIVISION:

Exotic Color Class Numbers

CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

Red Tabby & White	7940	7941
(classic, mackerel, spotted)		
Brown Tabby & White	7944	7945
(classic, mackerel, spotted)		
<u>Silver Tabby & White</u>	<u>XXXX</u>	<u>XXXX</u>
<u>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</u>		

RATIONALE: The Calico & Bicolor Division is one of the most popular divisions in Exotics, warranting more individual color classes.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

4. PROPOSED: Should Proposal 3 pass, add the color description for Silver Tabby and White to the Standard and adjust the OTHER TABBY & WHITE description accordingly:

SILVER TABBY AND WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): a cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established silver tabby standard.

OTHER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel and spotted): ...with the exception of red, brown, silver or patched ...**Eye color:** brilliant copper, blue or odd-eyed, with noted exception....NOTE: ~~silver tabby and white and blue silver tabby and white~~ **eye color:** green, hazel or brilliant copper. These colors in odd-eyed....

RATIONALE: Considering the popularity of this division, and increasing diversity of colors shown, adding more discrete color classes is appropriate.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

5. PROPOSED: Add a color class for “Blue Tabby & White”:

Exotic Color Class Numbers

CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

Red Tabby & White	7940	7941
(classic, mackerel, spotted)		
Brown Tabby & White	7944	7945
(classic, mackerel, spotted)		
<u>Blue Tabby & White</u>	<u>xxxx</u>	<u>xxxx</u>
<u>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</u>		

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

6. PROPOSED: Should Proposal 5 pass, add the color description for Blue Tabby and White to the Standard and adjust the OTHER TABBY & WHITE description accordingly:

BLUE TABBY AND WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): a cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established blue tabby standard.

OTHER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel and spotted): ...with the exception of red, brown, blue or patched ...**Eye color:** brilliant copper, blue or odd-eyed,...

RATIONALE: Considering the popularity of this division, and increasing diversity of colors shown, adding more discrete color classes is appropriate.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

7. PROPOSED: Add a color class for “Cream Tabby & White”:

Exotic Color Class Numbers

CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

Red Tabby & White	7940	7941
(classic, mackerel, spotted)		
Brown Tabby & White	7944	7945
(classic, mackerel, spotted)		
<u>Cream Tabby & White</u>	<u>xxxx</u>	<u>xxxx</u>
<u>(classic, mackerel, spotted)</u>		

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

8. PROPOSED: Should Proposal 7 pass, add the color description for Cream Tabby and White to the Standard:

CREAM TABBY AND WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): a cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established cream tabby standard.

OTHER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel and spotted): ...with the exception of red, brown, cream or patched ...**Eye color**: brilliant copper, blue or odd-eyed,....

RATIONALE: Considering the popularity of this division, and increasing diversity of colors shown, adding more discrete color classes is appropriate.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

9. PROPOSED: Add a color class for “Brown Patched Tabby & White” in the Calico and BI-COLOR DIVISION:

Exotic Color Class Numbers

CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

Red Tabby & White.....7940 7941
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

Brown Tabby & White7944 7945
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

Brown Patched Tabby & White.....XXXX XXXX
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

Other Patched Tabby & White..... 7987
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

10. PROPOSED: Should proposal 9 pass, add the color description for Brown Patched Tabby and White to the standard:

BROWN PATCHED TABBY AND WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): a cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established brown patched tabby standard.

RATIONALE: Considering the popularity of this division, and increasing diversity of colors shown, adding more discrete color classes is appropriate.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

11. PROPOSED: Add a color class for “Blue Patched Tabby & White” in the CALICO and BI-COLOR DIVISION:

Exotic Color Class Numbers

CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

Red Tabby & White.....7940 7941
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

Brown Tabby & White7944 7945
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

Blue Patched Tabby & WhiteXXXX XXXX
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

Other Patched Tabby & White..... 7987
(classic, mackerel, spotted)

RATIONALE: The Calico & Bicolor Division is one of the most popular divisions in Exotics, warranting more individual color classes.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

12. PROPOSED: Should Proposal 11 pass, add the color description for Blue Patched Tabby and White to the Standard:

BLUE PATCHED TABBY AND WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): a cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established blue patched tabby standard.

RATIONALE: Considering the popularity of this division, and increasing diversity of colors shown, adding more discrete color classes is appropriate.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

13. PROPOSED: If either or both proposals #10 and #12 pass, then rename the color description in the standard to **OTHER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE** (currently **PATCHED TABBY & WHITE**):

OTHER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): white with colored portions, the colored portions to conform...

RATIONALE: This will have the description conform to the name of the color class.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

14. PROPOSED: Condense the pattern description for Calico and BiColor Division Colors (similar to Tabby Pattern descriptions) AND remove the redundant sentences from ALL of the individual calico and bicolor descriptions as shown in the CALICO example below:

CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION

CALICO and Bi-Color PATTERN: as a preferred minimum, the cat should have white feet, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. Less white than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have a colored tail and one or more colored patches on the head or body. Less color than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. **Eye Color:** brilliant copper, blue or odd-eyed. Odd-eyed calico and bicolor shall have one blue and one copper eye with equal color depth.

Remove these sentences from all the individual calico and bicolor descriptions as shown here as an example:

~~CALICO:~~ ~~a tri-color cat of black, red and white. The red and the black should appear as clear, unbrindled patches. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have white feet, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. Less white than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have a colored tail and one or more colored patches on the head or body. Less color than this minimum should be penalized proportionately.~~

RATIONALE: As a housekeeping matter, and to avoid repetition in the current color descriptions, all calico and bi-colors should be described as above. All calico and Bi-colors have the exact same wording describing the desired amount of white and color. Repeating it for everyone is unnecessary and redundant.

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

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

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