

Proposal for Registration, Show Rule or By-Law Revision or Amendment

Note: This Form is only for the convenience of the submitter; it is not required.

Please check which rules are involved -- Registration Rules **Show Rules** By-Laws

(Note: 2000 is a Standards Year; other proposals are considered on an emergency basis only)

Proposed revision/amendment (very brief overview): Remove the requirement for Alters to have two Fifth or better All Breed finals for Grand Champion status

Article and Section being revised or amended: ARTICLE XV: CHAMPIONSHIPS Section 10 a

Old Language (how it reads NOW):

North American Continent. Has received six [6] Best in Show Awards of Best Champion or higher, as listed in Article XIII, Sec 6 of these rules, under six [6] different Judges, of which two [2] awards must be 10th Best Allbreed Cat or higher.
(Alters: 5th Best Allbreed Cat or higher.)

Proposed text (use the **exact** language of the change and indicate the **exact** Article and Section where it is to be placed):

ARTICLE XV: CHAMPIONSHIPS

Section 10 a

a. North American Continent. Has received six [6] Best in Show Awards of Best Champion or higher, as listed in Article XIII, Sec 6 of these rules, under six [6] different Judges, of which two [2] awards must be 10th Best Allbreed Cat or higher.

Removed (Alters: 5th Best Allbreed Cat or higher.)

Reason to Accept this Proposal: The alter class has become every bit as competitive as the championship class. It is no longer the 'cast offs' from the breeders competing. On more than one occasion judges have said the best cats in the show are in the alter class. I have been told "Alters don't go through the problem caused by hormones in the whole cats" and I know some faults, like tail faults, don't disqualify alters. If they were competing against whole cats I would agree it is an advantage. However since they are competing against other alters it is a level playing field. I have talked to several breeders that keep their cats whole until they are Grand Champions because it is easier even though they planned to have them altered all along and compete as Alters. Those of us that don't want whole males in our homes can't do that. **I see the Alter class as a place to grow ACFA, especially with those already showing HHP. The 'public', most of who don't want whole cats in their homes, can still own a top quality pedigree cat and enjoy showing it for several years. Breeders benefit by selling cats and ACFA benefits by getting new exhibitors and more entries. I started with HHP and am now on my third pedigree show cat.**

Proposed by: _____ ACFA Membership No.: _____ Region: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____