

GCCF REGISTRATION POLICY FOR SIAMESE CATS

Agreed/effective February 2024

Siamese are recognised with the following colours in either Self or Tabby points:

Seal (n), Blue (a), Chocolate (b), Lilac (c), Red (d), Cream (e), Cinnamon (o), Fawn (p), Seal Tortie (f), Blue Tortie (g), Chocolate Tortie (h), Lilac Tortie (j), Cinnamon Tortie (q), Fawn Tortie (r).

This set of colours is denoted by * below.

And also the dilute colours Cream, Blue, Lilac and Fawn and corresponding torties modified by caramel:

Apricot (e 121 - formerly em), Blue-Based/Lilac-Based/Fawn-Based Caramel (a/c/p 121 – formerly m), Blue-Based/Lilac-Based/Fawn-Based Caramel Tortie (g/j/r 121 – formerly k).

The unmodified set of dilute colours is denoted by + below.

A. Breeds permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese

i. Siamese with full or preliminary recognition

(SIA *, SIA * 21, SIA + 121, SIA + 21 121)

ii. Foreign Whites

(SIA w 67)

iii. Self and Tortie Oriental Shorthairs of the recognised Siamese colours

Oriental Blue, Havana, Oriental Lilac, Oriental Red, Oriental Cream, Oriental Apricot, Oriental Tortie, Oriental Caramel, Oriental Black, Oriental Cinnamon, Oriental Fawn

(OSH *, OSH + 121)

iv. Standard (non-silver) Tabby and Shaded Oriental Shorthairs of the recognised Siamese colours

Oriental Spotted Tabby, Oriental Classic Tabby, Mackerel Tabby, Oriental Ticked Tabby, Oriental Shaded

(OSH * 11/22/23/24/25, OSH + 11/22/23/24/25 121)

iv. Non-Silver Oriental Bicolour Shorthairs of the recognised Siamese colours

(OSH * 01-03 33, OSH * 01-03 21 33, OSH * 01-03, OSH * 03 11/22/23/24/25, OSH * 01-02 21, OSH + 01-03 33 121, OSH + 01-03 21 33 121, OSH + 01-03 121, OSH + 03 11/22/23/24/25 121, OSH + 01-02 21 121),

Note. Cats of Siamese appearance which have been registered in the past as Oriental Bicolour variants are to be considered as the appropriate colour and pattern of Siamese for the purpose of this registration policy.

Shorthair non-bicolour offspring of bicolour matings which have been registered in the past on the reference register as “xxx point shorthair of Siamese type” or “xxx shorthair of Oriental type” are to be considered as the appropriate colour and pattern of Siamese or Oriental Shorthair for the purpose of this registration policy.

B. Semi-Longhair and Variant Breeds permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese

Cats of the following breeds are permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese provided that the Siamese has been shown by genetic testing not to carry Longhair. The genetic test must show the cat to be free of any FGF5 mutation.

i. Balinese and Balinese Variants of the recognised Siamese colours

(BAL *, BAL * 21, BAL * 82 v, BAL * 21 82 v, BAL +, BAL + 21 121, BAL + 82 121 v, BAL + 21 82 121 v)

ii. Non-Silver Oriental Longhairs and Oriental Longhair Variants of the recognised Siamese colours

(OLH w 61/63/64, OLH *, OLH * 11/22/23/24/25, OLH w 61/63/64 82 v, OLH * 82 v, OLH * 11/22/23/24/25 82 v, OLH * 33, OLH * 21 33, OLH * 33 82 v, OLH * 21 33 82 v, OLH + 121, OLH + 11/22/23/24/25 121, OLH + 82 121 v, OLH + 11/22/23/24/25 82 121 v, OLH + 33 121, OLH + 21 33 121, OLH + 33 82 121 v, OLH + 21 33 82 121 v)

iii. Non-Silver Oriental Bicolour Longhairs of the recognised Siamese colours

(OLH * 01-03 33, OLH * 01-03 21 33, OLH * 01-03, OLH * 03 11/22/23/24/25, OLH * 01-02 21, (OLH + 01-03 33 121, OLH + 01-03 21 33 121, OLH + 01-03 121, OLH + 03 11/22/23/24/25 121, OLH + 01-02 21 121)

C. Silver Shorthair Breeds permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese

When a test for silver is commercially available, cats of the following breeds are permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese provided that the Siamese has been shown by genetic testing to be free from silver..

i. Oriental Smokes of the recognised Siamese colours

(OSH *s, OSH +s 121)

ii. Silver Tabby and Shaded Oriental Shorthairs of the recognised Siamese colours

(OSH *s 11/22/23/24/25, OSH +s 11/22/23/24/25 121)

iii. Silver Oriental Bicolour Shorthairs of the recognised Siamese colours

(OSH *s 01-03 33, OSH *s 01-03 21 33, OSH *s 01-03, OSH *s 03 11/22/23/24/25, OSH *s 21, OSH +s 01-03 33 121, OSH +s 01-03 21 33 121, OSH +s 01-03 121, OSH +s 03 11/22/23/24/25 121, OSH +s 21 121)

D. Silver Semi-Longhair and Variant Breeds permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese

When a test for silver is commercially available, cats of the following breeds are permitted in the pedigrees of Siamese provided that the Siamese has been shown by genetic testing not to carry Longhair and to be free from Silver.-

i. Silver Oriental Longhairs and Oriental Longhair Variants of the recognised Siamese colours

(OLH *s, OLH *s 11/22/23/24/25, OLH *s 82 v, OLH *s 11/22/23/24/25 82 v, OLH *s 33, OLH *s 21 33, OLH *s 33 82 v, OLH *s 21 33 82 v, OLH +s 121, OLH +s 11/22/23/24/25 121, OLH +s 82 121 v, OLH +s 11/22/23/24/25 82 121 v, OLH +s 33 121, OLH +s 21 33 121, OLH +s 33 82 121 v, OLH +s 21 33 82 121 v)

ii. Silver Oriental Bicolour Longhairs of the recognised Siamese colours

(OLH *s 01-03 33, OLH *s 01-03 21 33, OLH *s 01-03, OLH *s 03 11/22/23/24/25, OSH *s 01-02 21, OLH +s 01-03 33 121, OLH +s 01-03 21 33 121, OLH +s 01-03 121, OLH +s 03 11/22/23/24/25 121, OLH +s 01-02 21 121)

E. Genetic Testing

Where a genetic test is required, this may be by a test of the cat itself, the result of which must be supplied with the application for registration. The cat must be microchipped and the microchip read by the Vet taking the test sample. Alternatively, the line of descent from any cat in this group must be broken by a cat which has been so tested.

F. Registration Policy

1. FULL REGISTER

Siamese with Full or Provisional recognition which have in their pedigrees within five generations only Siamese (as listed in A.i above) shall be registered on the FULL REGISTER.

2. SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTER

Siamese with Full or Preliminary recognition which have in their pedigrees within five generations only cats of breeds listed in Sections A to D shall be registered on the SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTER.

3. REFERENCE REGISTER

All cats of Siamese appearance (i.e. Siamese type with blue eyes and colour restricted to the points) which have in their pedigrees within five generations any breeds other than those listed in Sections A to D shall be registered on the REFERENCE REGISTER.

This ruling shall take effect from 24 February 2024 and shall not be retrospective. From 24 February 2024 any cat born from parents of any breed not included in Sections A to D shall be registered on the Reference Register, and so shall their suitable offspring for the required number of generations.

Should any further colours of Siamese be developed as a breed (e.g. Smoke Point, Silver Tabby Point etc.) the appropriate cats may be registered on the Siamese SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTER at the request of the Siamese Cat Joint Advisory Committee. Those cats already registered on the Reference Register shall then be treated as if they were registered on the Supplementary Register.

NOTE: All Red Point, Cream Point or Apricot Point Siamese with one or more Tabby Point or Oriental Tabby parents must be registered as Red, Cream or Apricot Tabby Points until proved otherwise.

In the case of cats imported onto the GCCF register, no cat with a Tabby Point or Oriental Tabby within five generations may be registered as a Red, Cream or Apricot Point unless either

- a. the cat has been proved by genetic testing to be non-agouti, or
- b. there is a non-red, non-agouti cat breaking the line descending from the Tabby Point/Oriental Tabby, or
- c. a Red, Cream or Apricot Point in the line descended from the Tabby Point/Oriental Tabby has been proved by test matings or genetic testing to be non-agouti.

For further information please contact the Secretary of the Siamese Cat Joint Advisory Committee