



# SOUTH AFRICAN ABYSSINIAN & SOMALI ASSOCIATION

(held under auspices of the Western Province Cat Club)



Schedule and Entry forms are attached for the **SOUTH AFRICAN ABYSSINIAN & SOMALI ASSOCIATION/HILL'S 29<sup>th</sup> Championship Cat Show** to be held in the **EDGEMEAD/MONTE VISTA COMMUNITY CENTRE, EDGEMEAD DRIVE, EDGEMEAD on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025**. This 3 Ring Show will be held under the rules of the **Southern Africa Cat Council (SACC)** and of the **Western Province Cat Club**. It is open to **Registered Adults, Neuters & Kittens and Domestic (pet) cats and kittens** but only Registered Adults and Neuters can be entered in the third ring. Points awarded at this show will count towards **SACC Cat of the Year 20245** hosted in Cape Town in July, and **Cape Top Cat 2025**, hosted in October.

The show Committee reserves the right to amalgamate, divide or limit classes. Judges will be drawn from the **Cape Panel of Cat Judges** and an invited **WCF judge**. The judges' allocated classes will be set out in a Notice to Exhibitors, which will be sent out approximately five to seven (5 – 7) days before the Show. Any unforeseen alterations thereafter will be advertised in the hall on the day of the Show. Placing cards will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> placings, rosettes for Best in Show Qualifiers and Best in Show.

Entries should be submitted on the enclosed entry form and **MUST PLEASE BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FULL AMOUNT OF FEES PAYABLE**. A valid certificate of inoculation against FELINE INFECTIOUS ENTERITIS, CALICI AND RHINOTRACHEITIS (3 in 1), must be provided for cats/kittens being **shown for the first time. (Rule 7 (d))**  
A **Certified copy of the full certificate** is acceptable.

**RULE 20: CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES:** The committee may reserve the right to refuse any entry/entries provided that a valid reason for doing so is given & may decide any day for closing of entries. Such date must be published. The **CLOSING DATE** for entries is **THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025, 18h00**. All registrations, transfers and stud registrations must be completed before this date.

**PLEASE NOTE LATE ENTRIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.** Completed entries should be sent to:

<b>THE SHOW MANAGER - ADRI SWART</b>	<b>CONTACT DETAILS:</b>	<b>SOUTH AFRICAN ABYSSINIAN &amp; SOMALI ASSOC – BANK DETAILS</b>
Cell : 082 4055 437	Email : <a href="mailto:adrienne.swart@yahoo.com">adrienne.swart@yahoo.com</a> /	FIRST NATIONAL BANK (203 809)
Fax : 086 2636 958	Or <a href="mailto:wpcatclub@gmail.com">wpcatclub@gmail.com</a>	A/C NO: 502 7117 4035

**NB!!!! (If E-MAIL entries not acknowledged within 72 hrs please query)**

**NO CASH DEPOSITS please** due to extremely heavy deposit fees.

**PROOF OF PAYMENT TO ACCOMPANY ENTRY**

**IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO GIVE US YOUR CATS CORRECT TITLE – be it Champion, Premier etc. and CORRECT DETAILS OF CERTIFICATES WON.** Please update titles of your cat's parents if necessary.

**PLEASE READ THE CONDITIONS AND RULES SET OUT HEREWITH, BEFORE COMPLETING THE ENTRY FORM.** Use a separate entry form for each cat or kitten and do not forget to sign where indicated.

**Please ensure the cat's correct colour / pattern is indicated. This is especially important for the change in the MCO SoP's.**

## PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

- (i) All kittens must be a minimum of 16 weeks on the day of the show.
- (ii) Only in the case of refused entries will the fee be refunded (See Show Rule 20)

### WHEN SIGNING THE SUMMARY OF FEES YOU ARE CERTIFYING AND AGREEING TO THE FOLLOWING;

- The exhibits entered are my bona fide property and where entered in the Registered Classes, is/are entered and exhibited in my name as owner.
- To the best of my knowledge and belief, free from any communicable disease and has/have not to my knowledge been associated with animals suffering from such disease within the last 30 days. Should any illness develop before the Show, I undertake to withdraw this and any other entries in my name or to produce a veterinary certificate should the Show Committee ask for it.
- Entered subject to the Rules relating to Show Entries (printed overleaf / <https://www.tsacc.org.za/governance>) and entirely at my own risk.
- Please take note of POPI Act clause addition on the summary form, to be ticked, which is just one, but to expand :
  - By entering the show, the exhibitor gives permission that photos taken at this cat show, may be used on the WPCC's social media platforms and WPCC website, as well as those of SACC, and the photographer's social media platforms. No personal information will be made available on these platforms.
  - I also hereby agree to have my phone number listed in the back of the show catalogue under 'List of Exhibitors'

**ALL EXHIBITS MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE SHOW IN ESCAPE PROOF CONTAINERS, WHICH SHOULD BEAR THE EXHIBIT'S CAGE NUMBER. CATS ON LEADS OR CARRIED BY THE OWNER WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

ALL cages may be decorated – Pedigree / Registered as well as Domestic (Pet) – **Theme: "EGYPT"**.

**There will be a veteran side classes for entered cats – this is not a standalone entry**

*'Bring a can if you can' - Please keep the cats in need in mind and bring a donation of some sorts along to the show, which can be handed in at the show management table. We will hand it over to a selected feline charity."*

We look forward to receiving your entries and wish you an enjoyable and successful show day.

*ADRI SWART*

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## **RULES:**

**RULE 5: REGISTRATION: (a):** Every cat or kitten exhibited at a show held under these Rules in any Championship classes, Premier classes or in Open or Registered classes, must have been registered with the SACR prior to the closing date for entries to the show.

**5(b):** A kitten entered for show and not yet transferred in the name of a new owner, should be entered as Pending Transfer (PT) from the breeder/ original owner.

**5(d):** Application for and registration of new studs shall take place prior to the closing date for entries to a show.

**RULE 7: ENTRY FORMS: (e):** If a cat or kitten be entered except as before directed in rules 5 and 6 the exhibitor shall forfeit any prizes that may have been awarded, and if the error is detected in time such cat or kitten shall not be allowed to compete, and the exhibitor shall forfeit all entrance fees, but the committee of the club concerned may, on appeal for good cause shown, remit all or any of the forfeits herein mentioned.

**7(i) i:** No kitten under the age of 16 (sixteen) weeks of age on the day of the show will be allowed in the hall, whether for competition, exhibition or sale.

**RULE 7: FRACTIOUS CATS: 7.1:** If, in the opinion of the Show Manager and the judge concerned, a cat cannot be taken out of its pen, it must not be judged. A judge or steward shall report such incidents concerning fractious cats to the show manager immediately. The onus is then on the Show Manager to take the necessary action. If such fractiousness is confirmed after enquiry at the show, such incident shall be reported by inclusion in the list of main awards circulated to all Clubs, the Secretary of SACC and the Registrar within 3 days of such show. After 3 (three) disqualifications for fractiousness or proving unhandleable an exhibit may no longer be shown anywhere.

**7.2:** If a cat, during judging growls, bites or in any way threatens its handlers, the judge shall cease judging it, mark its award card and/or slip "UTH" (unable to handle), and not place or award it. The show manager shall record such UTH results and report all incidents to the SACR with his major awards list. After three UTH incidents (a show counting as one incident) under three different judges, the cat may no longer be shown at SACC shows. The SACR shall keep the necessary records and inform the owner and all show managers of cats thus not allowed to be shown anymore.

**RULE 8: JUDGING : 8.1(a):** Save as is provided for in Rule 10, a judge's decision shall be final and binding on the exhibitors, save in the case of fraud on the part of the judge or any other person in which case the decision shall rest with the committee and no correspondence will be entered into. This rule must be brought to the attention of the exhibitors before a show.

**8.1(m):** Exhibitors may not choose a specific judge to judge their exhibits but may exercise the right to request a specific judge not to judge an exhibit provided that the reasons are solely show related and do not cast aspersions on the said judge. A written request for a change of judge including reason to be brought to the attention of the Show Manager, who may, at her/his discretion, allocate another judge.

**RULE 19(g):** An exhibitor shall not move his exhibit from its show cage to its traveling container, and/or leave the show hall with his exhibit, until after the end of the show, as announced by the show manager, except with written approval from the show manager. In a case where an exhibitor has removed his exhibit without prior approval, the show manager may at his discretion declare any awards gained null and void and advise the SA Cat Registrar accordingly, and/or impose a fine on the exhibitor, and/or impose a ban on the exhibitor's future show participation at shows held by the hosting club at whose show the offence occurred.

**NB!!!!!! RULE 26: DUTIES OF EXHIBITORS:** All exhibitors shall ensure that their cats are provided with adequate water for the duration of the Show. Should the exhibitor be unable to be present for the entire duration of the show he/she shall make arrangements to ensure adherence to this rule. It remains, under all circumstances, the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure compliance to this rule.

**RULE 27: EXHIBITOR BOUND BY RULES:** A person entering a cat for any show held under these rules shall, by such act, be deemed to have agreed to refer any question or dispute to the committee of the show or club concerned and to abide by their decision, and this fact must be brought to the attention of exhibitors before a show.

**RULE 30: COMMUNICABLE DISEASES:** No exhibitor shall exhibit a cat or kitten which to his or her knowledge has, at the date of the show, been exposed to any specific communicable disease within the period of 30 days prior to the date of the show, and no cat or kitten may be exhibited if the exhibitor has had any such illness in his or her home or cattery during that period. In the case of a communicable disease having occurred in a home or cattery a clearance certificate will be required from a fully qualified veterinary surgeon. Any exhibitor who, in the opinion of the committee, shall have made a false declaration in respect of the above will be liable to serve penalties under the powers of the committee. Owners of rejected exhibits shall not personally attend any show within the prescribed period of 30 days unless in the possession of a veterinary clearance certificate which must be exhibited to the show manager on demand.

**SACC Constitution - RULE 29 (Portion): DISCIPLINE:** Clubs and Breed Groups as members affiliated to SACC are bound by the Constitution and Rules promulgated, from time to time.

**IMPORTANT:** Should it come to the attention of the Show Management that an owner has knowingly exhibited a cat, which comes from a home or cattery where there are health problems, the owner will be reported to the Ethics Committee and suspended from showing pending the outcome of the enquiry. They will be banned from showing for a year if found to have made dishonest statements to the Show Manager and their names will be published. No kitten shall be allowed to travel more than 80 km to or from a show unless its owner or his/her accredited representative accompanies it. A queen may not be exhibited within eight (8) weeks of kitting, if she is a nursing mother, or she is obviously in kitten. No declawed cat or kitten may be accepted in any class. A veterinarian must certify all male cats over the age of 18 months as an entire and such certificate is to be sent to the Registrar, who will issue a Stud Number. Without this number the cat may not be shown or used for stud purposes. All domestic pet adults (**except those registered with SACC for breeding**) must be neutered.

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