



EXPERIMENTAL REGISTRATION BOOK (RIEX*)

* *RIEX for “Registre d’Inscription Expérimental”, in French*

The Experimental Registration Book (RIEX) is an annexed section to the main Book dedicated to registration of descendants of cats whose origins are known but whose outcross is not allowed in LOOF permissible crosses list.

RIEX registered cats are accepted in championship and are eligible to obtain appropriate title certificates in a LOOF cat show if they are of sufficient quality, except cats belonging to New Breeds (NB) or New Colours (or varieties) (NC) which can be shown but are not accepted in championship.

Any breeding cat [*born from 1/1/2017*] registered as RIEX4 will have to pass the conformity examination by a LOOF judge for its kittens to be registered in the main Book. Otherwise, those kittens will be registered in the RIEX without a generation number and they will themselves need to pass a conformity examination in order to have their own kittens registered in the main Book, and so on.

RIEX includes:

1) Cats produced by the cross of two different breeds as part of a breeding programme previously approved by the Standards Commission.

The goal of the breeding programme must be clearly determined: New Breed, New Variety, New Colour, genetic pool’s widening...

The applicant takes the commitment that all cats used for reproduction in the programme involved be free of genetically or clinically testable diseases in the breeds involved¹.

Generations’ tracking is made possible by parentage testing which is compulsory.

a) New Breed or New Variety/Colour programme:

The litters are registered as LOOF RIEX in the breed defined in the programme, without specifying a generation number.

b) Gene pool widening programme in a LOOF recognized breed (including colours and varieties):

The litters are registered as LOOF RIEX in the breed defined in the programme with a generation number.

A guide giving the framework of a breeding program is available on the French version of the website (page « Eleveurs, Pedigrees, RIEX/RIA/RF »).

¹ If a genetically testable hereditary disease is known in the breed, the cat will have to be proven free of the disease by a test done by a LOOF certified laboratory. The list of the genetic diseases by breed and the certified laboratories is published on LOOF’s website and will be updated according to scientific progress. Upon recommendations by the scientific Council, the standards commission may ask for clinical examination if the breed, variety or colour requires it.



2) Imported cats and studs living abroad, if:

at least one ascendant (1st to 4th generation) is out of a LOOF non-permissible outcross (breed, colour or variety) whereas the cat itself is of a recognized colour or variety and if it cannot genetically pass the ancestor's unrecognized characteristic. If available, a genetic test will be required as a guarantee at registration time.

Registered cats must be free of genetically or clinically detectable diseases in their breed and those of their ascendants. Those cats' progeny is registered in the RIEX under their breed with the generation number until the concerned ancestor is no longer visible on the 4-generation pedigree.

3) Cats with an ascendant registered in the RF because of a LOOF non-permissible colour or variety, if:

- they don't carry the non-permissible characteristic, proven by a genetic test,
- they are free of genetically or clinically detectable diseases in the breeds of their genealogy¹.

4) Cats of a LOOF New Breed before it reaches championship status.

(see NB/NC rules)