

ACFA Annual Awards Scoring System

Section 1.) Eligibility

Any cat, kitten, alter or HHP that is Registered or recorded in ACFA may compete in ACFA shows and earn points toward ACFA Year-End Awards for wins received in shows during the current season. Such wins may be Regional or Inter-American. For the purpose of these rules, the term "cat" will refer to all cats, kittens, alters, and household pets.

- a.) Regional Awards. In order for a cat to be eligible for a Regional Annual Award in ACFA, it must have been exhibited in a minimum of sixteen (16) rings of competition in ACFA licensed shows. (Exceptions - Eastern Canada Region - ten (10) rings; International Division - three (3) rings, for shows held overseas.)
- b.) Inter-American Awards. In order for a cat to be eligible for an Inter-American Annual Award, it must have been exhibited in a minimum of twenty-four (24) rings of competition in ACFA licensed shows.

Section 2.) Region of Residence

For the purpose of scoring cats for Annual Awards, the state, province or county of residence of the cat's registered owner(s), as determined by the Address of Record on file with Central Office on the last day of the show season, will determine the region in which it is eligible to receive awards. (No exceptions.)

Section 3.) Method of Scoring

Cats competing in ACFA Shows earn points for the highest (only highest award is scored regardless of other awards made) award received in each ring of competition. Points awarded for wins received in ACFA licensed shows are:

Allbreed Shows:

| Award | Points | Award | Points |
|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Best Cat | 50 | 6 th Best Cat | 40 |
| 2 nd Best Cat | 48 | 7 th Best Cat | 38 |
| 3 rd Best Cat | 46 | 8 th Best Cat | 36 |
| 4 th Best Cat | 44 | 9 th Best Cat | 34 |
| 5 th Best Cat | 42 | 10 th Best Cat | 32 |
| Best of Breed | 5 | Best of Color | 3 |
| 2 nd Best of Breed | 4 | 2 nd Best of Color | 2 |

Specialty Shows:

| Award | Points | Award | Points |
|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Best Cat | 25 | 6 th Best Cat | 20 |
| 2 nd Best Cat | 24 | 7 th Best Cat | 19 |
| 3 rd Best Cat | 23 | 8 th Best Cat | 18 |
| 4 th Best Cat | 22 | 9 th Best Cat | 17 |
| 5 th Best Cat | 21 | 10 th Best Cat | 16 |
| Best of Breed | 5 | Best of Color | 3 |
| 2 nd Best of Breed | 4 | 2 nd Best of Color | 2 |

Section 4.) Calculation of Scores

The calculation of scores is a multi-level format. At the end of the show season all cats will be scored on a **Level One** formula as follows: Add all points earned for wins, as noted in Section 3 above, and divide by the total number of rings in which the cat competed - up to twenty-four (24). After a cat has competed in a total of 24 rings only the BEST 24 rings (i.e., the 24 rings in which it received it's highest final awards) will be used in calculating the cat's average points per ring. A perfect Level One score for a cat being exhibited during the year will be 24 Best Cat Allbreed for an average of '50' points per ring.

If, at the end of Level One scoring, any cats in a class, breed or color have identical scores, those cats will move on to **Level Two** scoring as follows: Awards in which the Level Two scoring formula will apply are A.) Inter-American Top 50 Cats, B.) Inter-American Best of Breed, and C.) Regional Top 10 Cats. After Level Two scoring, the cat determined as winner will be placed in the position of contention. The other cat(s) will drop into positions indicated by the outcome of the Level Two scoring. (i.e., three cats with the same score for 7th Best Cat will become 7th, 8th and 9th Best Cat as determined by Level Two.) Once Level Two scoring has been completed, it will impact on any and all subsequent lower level ties for which they may also be in direct competition.

Section 5.) Level Two Scoring Formula

The Level Two scoring formula is based on the following two rules:

Rule 1: The score of the cats with the same Level One score will be calculated a second time using only the highest four (4) scores from each judge, starting with the first judge as computed alphabetically, and continuing until all judges have been included. If there is no difference in the scores at this point then Rule 2 will be applied.

Rule 2: Using the list of scores derived from Rule 1, noting the highest four (4) scores received from that judge, the following procedure will apply:

- a.) The number of AB Best Cats are counted, up to 24. If the number of AB Best Cats are the same, then the number of SP Best Cats (or higher) are counted, up to 24. (NOTE: AB Best Cats received in excess of 24 may be counted as SP Best Cats.)
- b.) If the score is still the same, then the number of AB 2nd Best Cats (or higher) are counted, up to 24. If the score is still equal to another cat, then the number of SP 2nd Best Cats (or higher) are counted up to 24. (NOTE: AB 2nd Best Cats (or higher) received in excess of 24 may be counted as SP 2nd Best Cats.)
- c.) If the score is still the same at this point, then the same process is used all the way down to AB and SP 5th Best Cat until there is a difference.

NOTE: For all purposes of Rule 2, "AB (or higher)" refers only to Allbreed wins, whereas "SP (or higher)" refers to Specialty OR Allbreed wins. AB wins used for SP wins must be of the same level or higher than the SP win being counted. (i.e., If the 3rd Best SP Cat wins are being counted, then only 3rd Best AB Cat (or higher) may be substituted for this SP win.)