

Announcement from the Felis Britannica Executive Committee regarding the new FIFe Open Doors policy, effective 1st January 2025.

The Executive Committee has discussed this change and we are thrilled to announce that Felis Britannica will welcome non-FIFe members to participate in our esteemed cat shows! We have agreed to accept entries from non-FIFe members in all show classes from the 1st January 2025.

This is a monumental step towards inclusivity and growth within our community. By opening our doors to non-FIFe members, we are enriching our shows with a diverse range of feline talent and enthusiasts. More cats, more competition, more excitement. Expect more entries at our events, which means more spectacular cats to admire and more thrilling competition. Our shows are about to get even bigger and better!

This move is not just about the shows. Welcoming non-FIFe members is a fantastic opportunity to grow our Felis Britannica family. Together, we can share knowledge, experiences, and our collective love for cats. We can't wait to see the new faces and fabulous felines that will grace our future events. Let's continue to celebrate the beauty and diversity of our beloved cats!

Whether you're a seasoned exhibitor or new to the scene, come and be part of the Felis Britannica community. Our doors are open, and we're excited to welcome you.

For **non-FIFe members** to enter Felis Britannica shows they will need to meet the following requirements.

1. Each cat entered from another registry must submit a 4 generation copy of their registries certified pedigree to confirm their eligibility to be shown. The cat must meet the FIFe breed registration requirements.
2. A licence fee of £40.00 is required which will be for the entirety of the cats life.
3. A show licence certificate will be generated and sent to the exhibitor for retention which will show a number unique to the particular cat.
4. This show number, and the cats Registered number, must be entered on every show application.
5. Titles are gained with the same criteria as for FIFe members and must be validated before cats can be entered in a higher class at a show.

Championship/Premiorship titles		
Title (Class)	Certificate	Certificates required in the UK
Kitten Champion KCH (12)	CACC	3 from three different judges
Junior Champion JCH (11)	CAJC	3 from three different judges
Champion CH (9)	CAC	3 from three different judges
Premior PR (10)	CAP	3 from three different judges
International Champion IC (7)	CACIB	4 from three different judges
International Premior IP (8)	CACIP	4 from three different judges
Grand International Champion GIC (5)	CAGCIB	7 from five different judges
Grand International Premior GIP (6)	CAGPIB	7 from five different judges

Supreme Champion SC (3)	CACS	10 from seven different judges
Supreme Premior SP (4)	CACS	10 from seven different judges

6. Title validations will be processed by the Felis Britannica Show Commission and can be submitted online via the Felis Britannica website.
7. Title validations are £10.00 for a digital certificate and £15.00, plus P&P, for a printed certificate.
8. Non-FIFe members cats are not eligible for any FIFe Winners Titles - Junior Winner, National Winner, any of the FIFe Winner Shows, World Winner OR FIFe Merit Titles - Distinguished Senior Merit, Distinguished Merit, Distinguished Show Merit, Distinguished Variety Merit OR Felis Britannica Points Awards, National Winners Show OR entry to the FIFe Winners or World shows as they remain for members only.

Non-FIFe members may enter two 1 day shows (one show weekend) without a show licence, after this they will need a licence to continue to show with Felis Britannica under Open Doors.

Felis Britannica retain the right to refuse to issue a show licence to non-FIFe members without disclosing the reason.

Shows entries to Felis Britannica and our clubs shows are accepted at the discretion of the Show Managers who shall reserve the right to refuse entries without disclosing the reason, regardless of the non-FIFe member having been issued a show licence.

The Felis Britannica Executive Committee.

FAQS

Q. Can I still enter under open doors in classes 12, 11, 9 and 10?

A. No, from the 1st January 2025 Felis Britannica will only permit a cat to enter two 1 days shows under open doors after which they will require a show licence to enter further shows under open doors.

Q. How do I apply for a show licence?

A. You will be able to submit your application on the Felis Britannica website, you will need to upload a copy of the certified 4 generation pedigree for the cat. Once the paperwork has been checked you will be issued with an invoice for the show licence fee.

Q. How long will it take to receive my show licence?

A. Please allow 5 (five) weeks to receive your show licence and ensure that you apply for your licence in good time if you want to enter your first Felis Britannica show under licence.

Q. Can a non-FIFe member validate titles gained under open doors prior to the 1st January 2025?

A. No, the rule allowing non-FIFe members to validate titles takes effect from the 1st January 2025 and title certificates can therefore only be accepted from the 1st January 2025 onwards.

Q. I have been showing under open doors with a show licence. What happens if I subsequently decide to join a Felis Britannica club and register my cat/s?

A. Once your membership is approved by the club, you will need to follow the member process to import your cats, with the necessary paperwork, and pay the import fees via your club Pedigree Secretary. You will then afford all membership benefits, be able to compete for member only titles and attend shows open to member only.